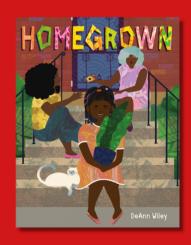
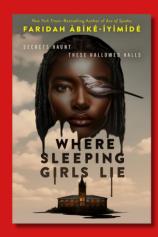


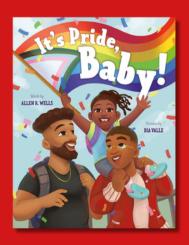
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Picture Books, Chapter Books, Middle Grade, Young Adult, and more!







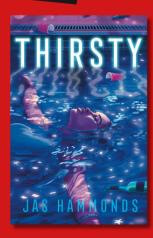




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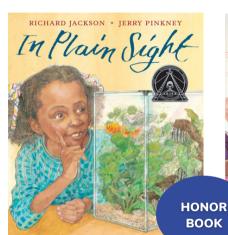


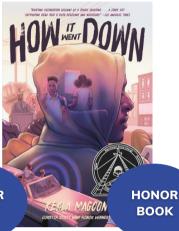


The The Coretta Scott King Book Awards Winners and Honor Books

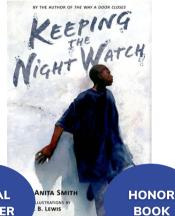
Click the covers to learn more about these titles!

The Coretta Scott King Book Awards are given annually to outstanding African American authors and illustrators of books for children and young adults that demonstrate an appreciation of African American culture and universal human values. The award commemorates the life and work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and honors his wife, Mrs. Coretta Scott King, for her courage and determination to continue the work for peace and world brotherhood.





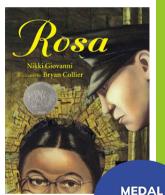






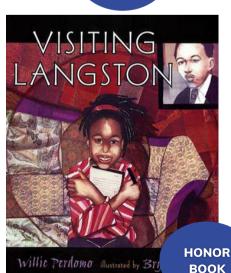


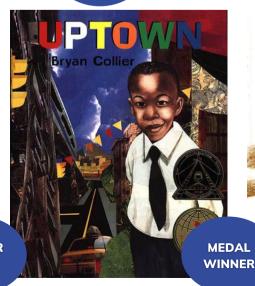


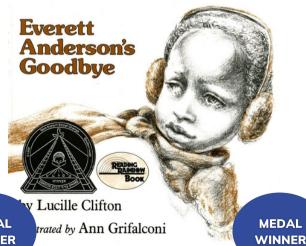


Before John Was a
Jazz Giant and
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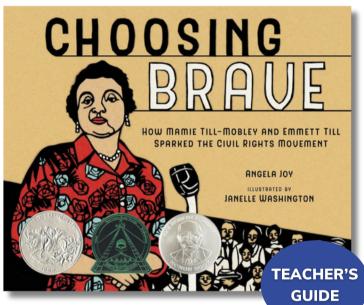




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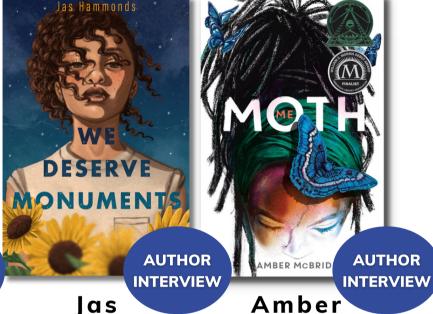
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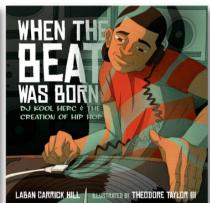
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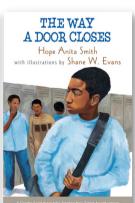
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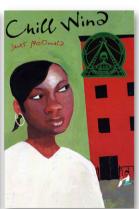
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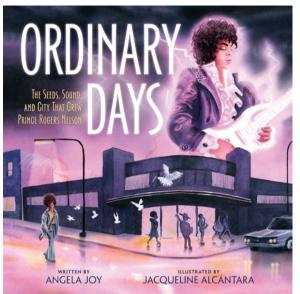
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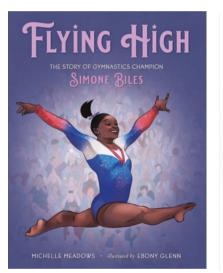
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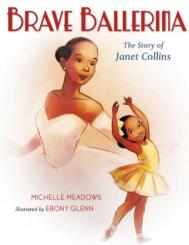
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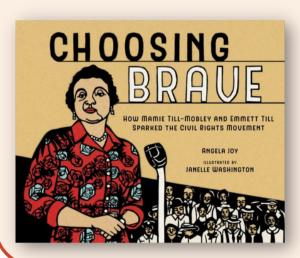








Spotlight on Choosing Brave



A Caldecott-honor winning picture book biography of the mother of Emmett Till, and how she channeled grief over her son's death into a call to action for the civil rights movement.

Caldecott Honor Book

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Coretta Scott King - John Steptoe Award for Illustrations

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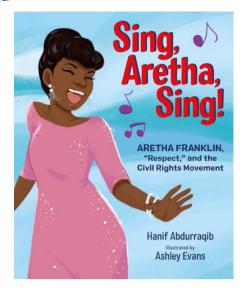
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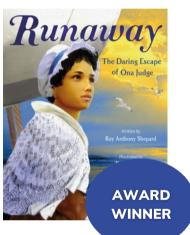
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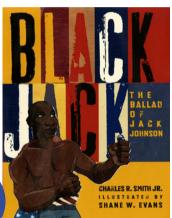
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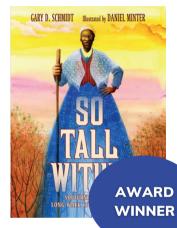






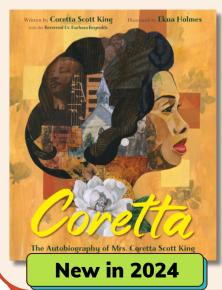








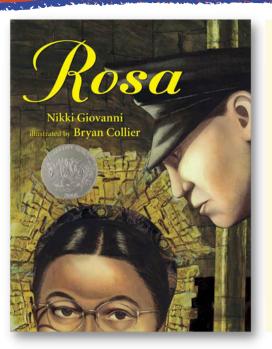
Spotlight on Coretta



Adapted from her adult memoir and illustrated by Caldecott Honoree Ekua Holmes, this is the autobiography of Coretta Scott King—wife of Martin Luther King, Jr., founder of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change (the King Center), and twentieth-century American civil and human rights activist.

- ★ "A moving testimonial...eloquent and stately."
- Kirkus Reviews, starred review
- ★ "Reynolds and Holmes bring this civil rights icon to life."
- The Horn Book, starred review

Spotlight on Bryan Collier

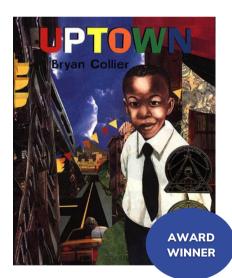


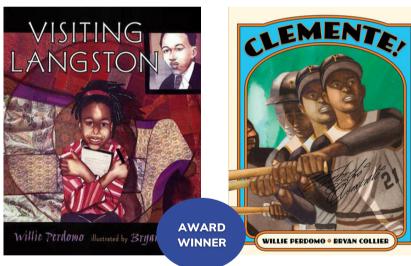
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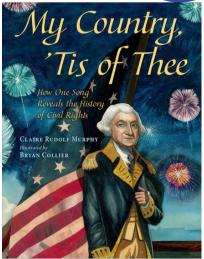
Winner of the Caldecott Honor Medal and the Coretta Scott King Medal, this picture book tribute to Rosa Parks celebrates the 50th anniversary of her refusal to give up her seat on a Montgomery, Alabama, city bus.

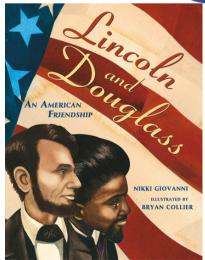
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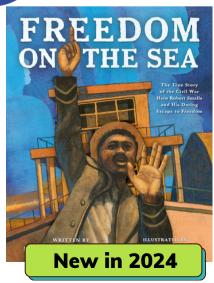
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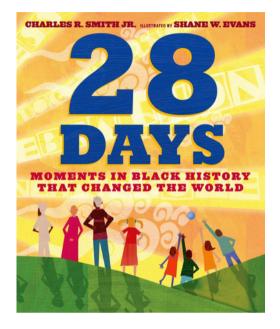






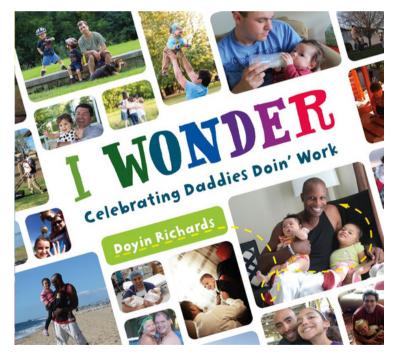
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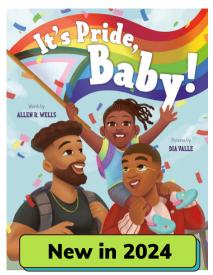


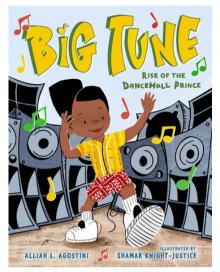


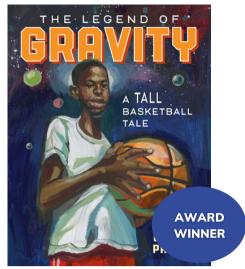


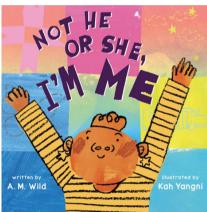
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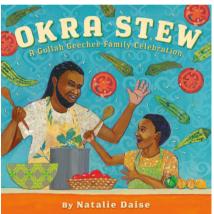


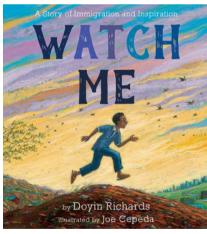


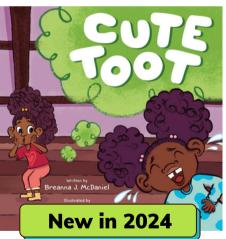


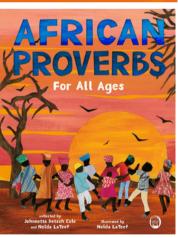


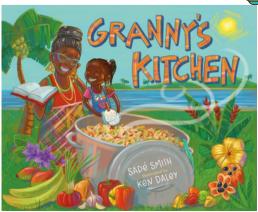


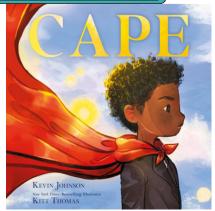


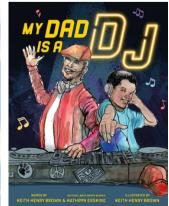




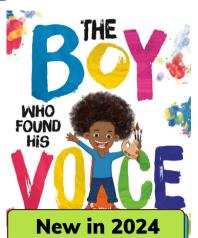




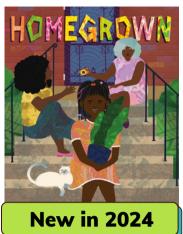


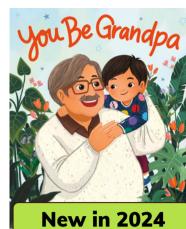


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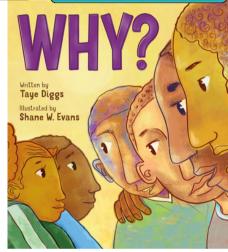


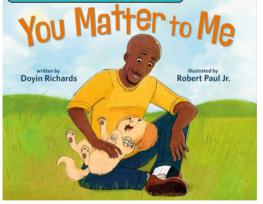


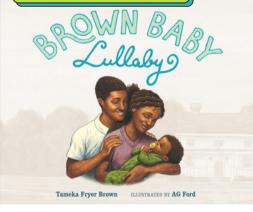


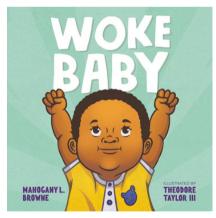




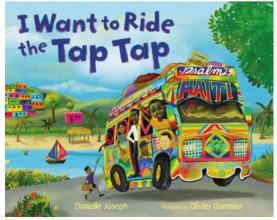


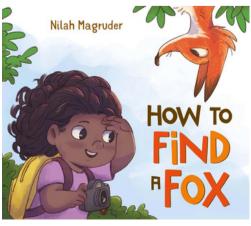






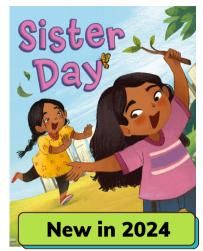




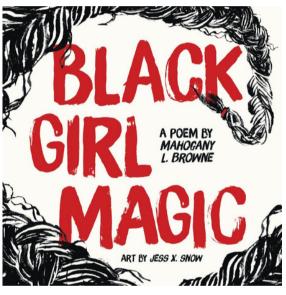


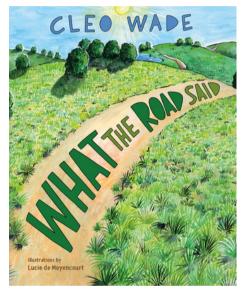
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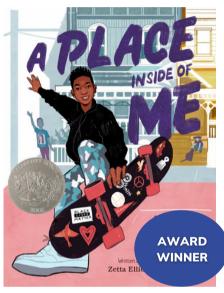


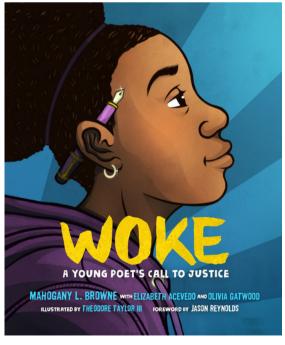


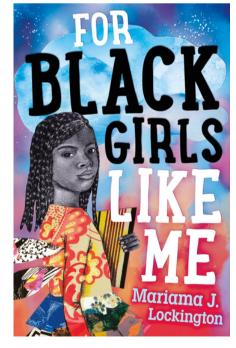










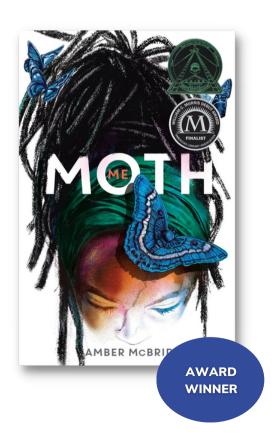


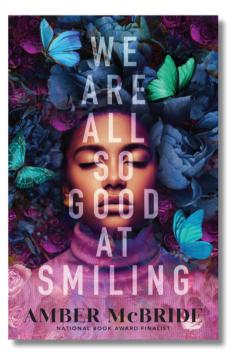


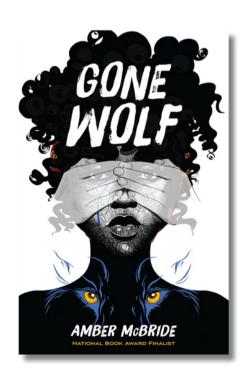
Spotlight on Amber McBride



Amber McBride estimates she reads about 100 books a year. Her work has been published in literary magazines including Ploughshares and Provincetown Arts. Her debut young adult novel, Me (Moth) was a finalist for the National Book Award, and won the 2022 Coretta Scott King/John Steptoe Award for New Talent, among many other accolades. She is a professor of creative writing at University of Virginia, and lives in Charlottesville, Virgina.







Middle Grade Fiction















Meet Mariama J. Lockington



Mariama J. Lockington is an adoptee, writer, and nonprofit educator. She has been telling stories and making her own books since the second grade, when she wore short-alls and flower leggings every day to school. Her work has appeared in a number of magazines and journals, including Buzzfeed News Reader, and she is the author of the poetry chapbook The Lucky Daughter. Mariama holds a Masters in Education from Lesley University and Masters in Fine Arts in Poetry from San Francisco State University. She lives in Lexington, Kentucky with her partner and dapple haired dachshund, Henry.



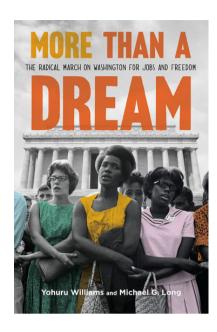
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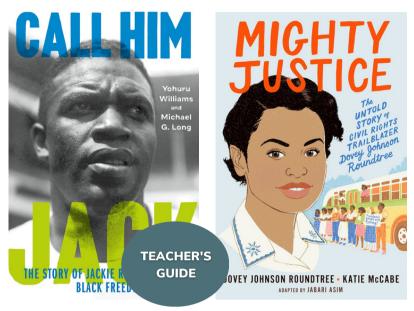
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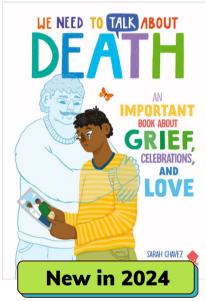
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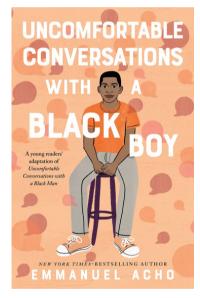




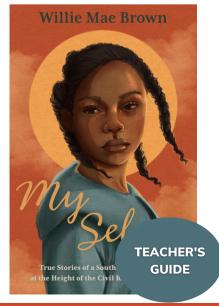


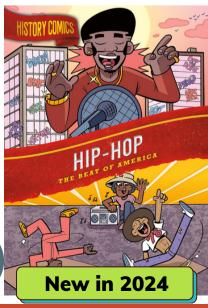












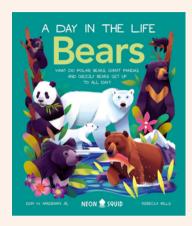
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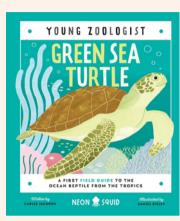


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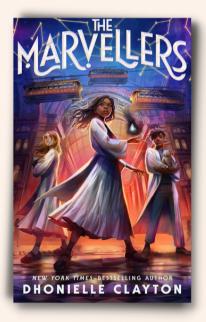
Born in the midst of a pandemic, Neon Squid creates beautiful nonfiction books for inquisitive kids (and kids at heart). We believe the most amazing stories are real ones, so our books are for children who want to decipher ancient scrolls, orbit distant stars, and dive into the deepest oceans.







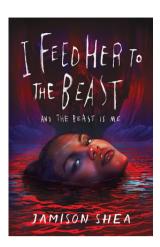
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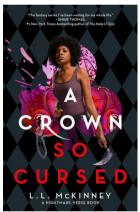


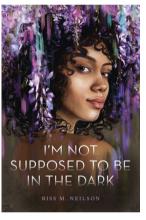
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Fantasy & Paranormal











Children of Anguish and Anarchy by Tomi Adeyemi

Featuring gorgeous spray-painted and stenciled edges, dazzling metallic foil designs on the jacket and case, and an exclusive endpaper map that reveals new unexplored territories, Tomi Adeyemi's #1 New York Times-bestselling Legacy of Orisha series comes to an earth-shaking conclusion.

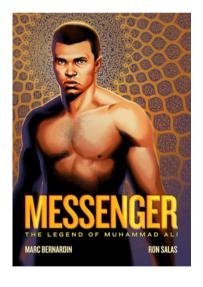
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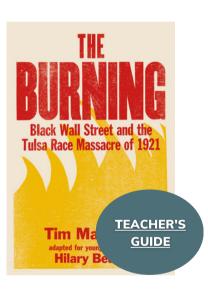


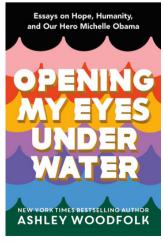


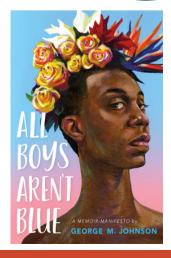
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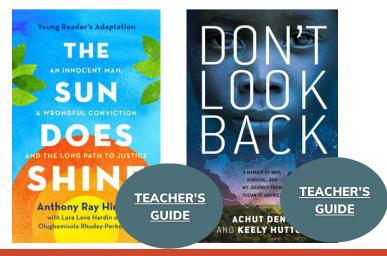






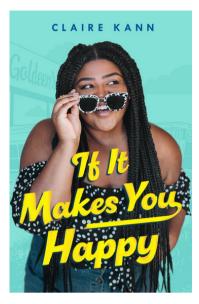


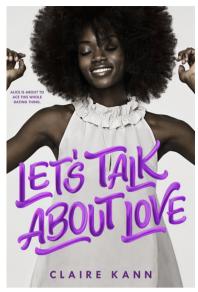




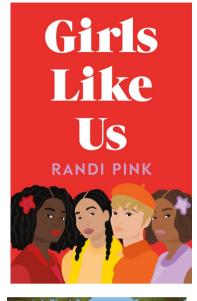
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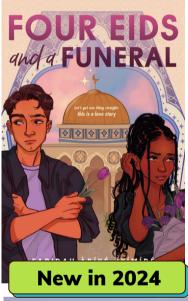




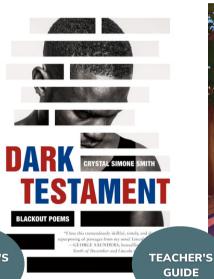


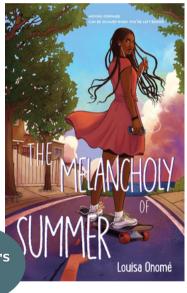


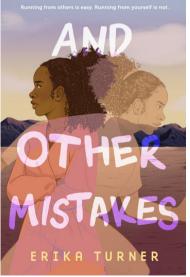


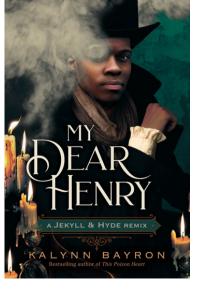


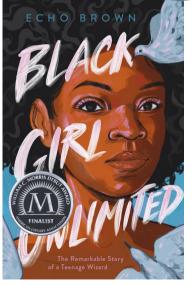


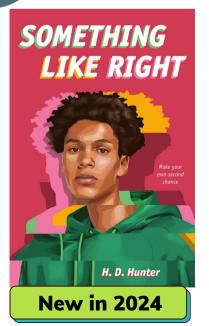








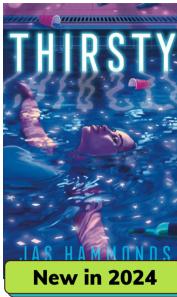


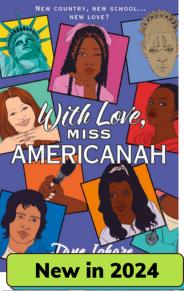


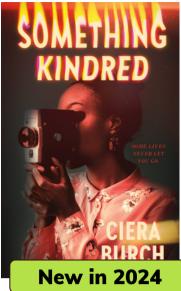
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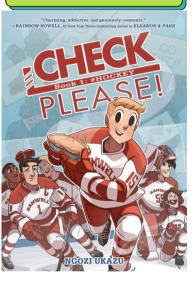












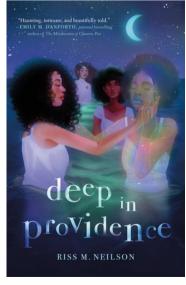












Spotlight on Kekla Magoon



A compelling, multi-generational novel from the Coretta Scott King and Printz Honor-winning author of How It Went Down, Light It Up, and The Minus-One Club, Prom Babies chronicles the stories of three teen girls who become pregnant on prom night. Eighteen years later, their three babies, now high school seniors, are headed to prom and facing their own set of complicated issues and questions.

