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"A fast-paced read, this title will challenge readers' conceptions on many fronts, garnering wide attention by way of our shared experiences of the Cinderella trope."

—*Booklist*, starred review

"Readers looking for dystopia, queer romance, LGBTQ inclusiveness, and women sticking it to the patriarchy will be pleased..." —*School Library Journal*

"A queer dystopian fantasy that questions written history and societal expectations."
—*Shelf Awareness*

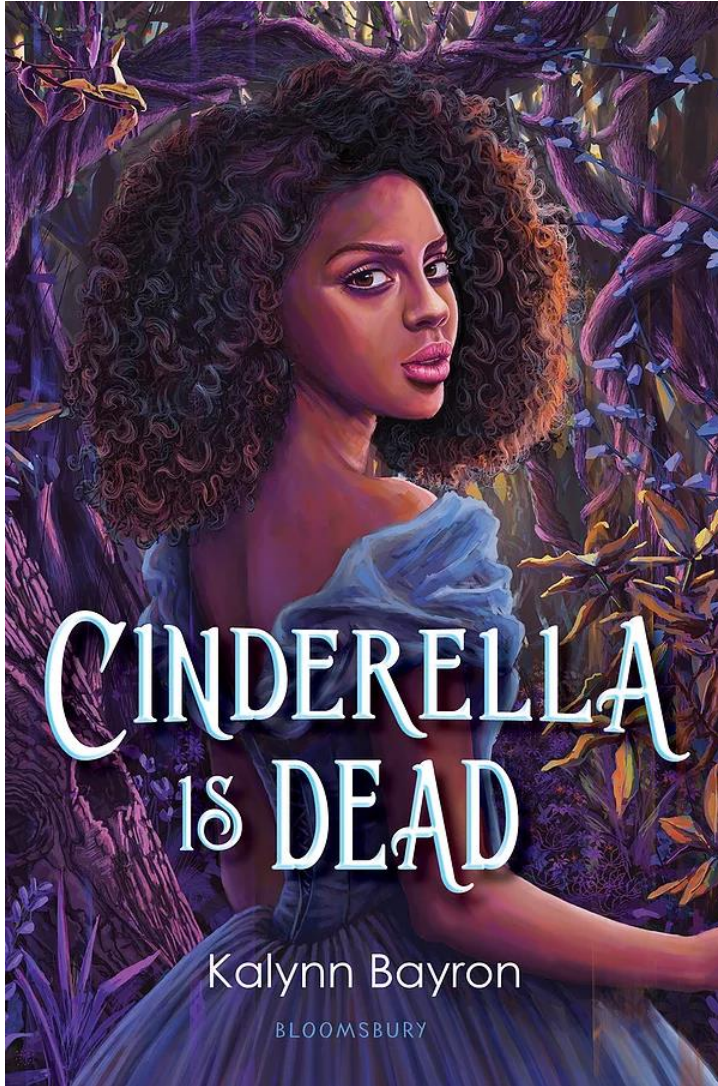
"*Handmaid's Tale* meets *Hunger Games* but with QPOC, this novel is for every queer teen seeking a page-turner of resistance and self-discovery." —*them*

"Bayron's deconstructive reimagining of the classic fairy tale is ambitious, replacing the happily-ever-after with a tragic legacy and a defiant, feminist tone." —*Publishers Weekly*

"This. Is It. Finally. The Cinderella story we have all been pining for has arrived." —*Locus*

"An exciting YA novel that subverts a beloved fairy tale and gives us heroines to cheer for. It's so propulsive that you'll probably finish it long before the clock strikes midnight."
—*Fantasy Literature*

"There have been so many iterations of the Cinderella fairy tale that many of us know it by heart, but *Cinderella is Dead* takes the classic story in an entirely new direction....reinvents Cinderella for a new generation and tells a tale of patriarchy in the process." —*Bitch Media*



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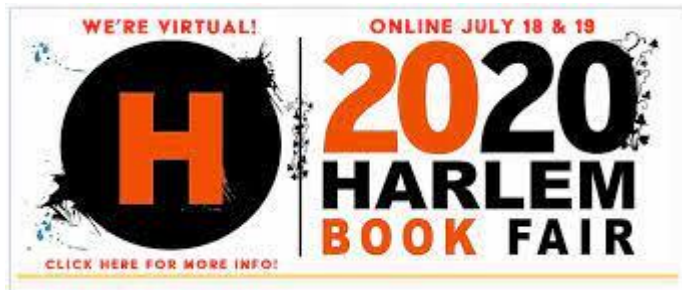
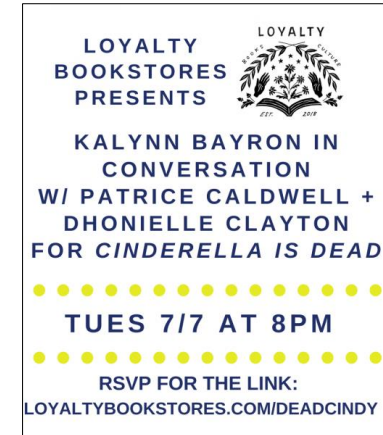
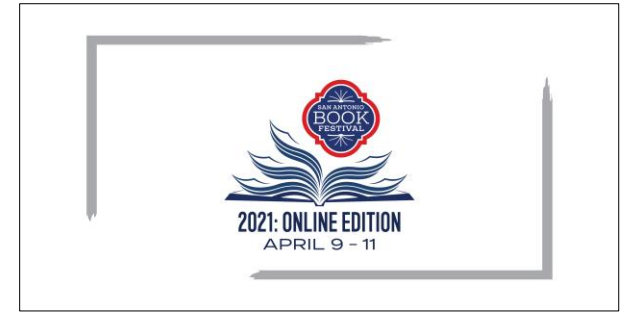
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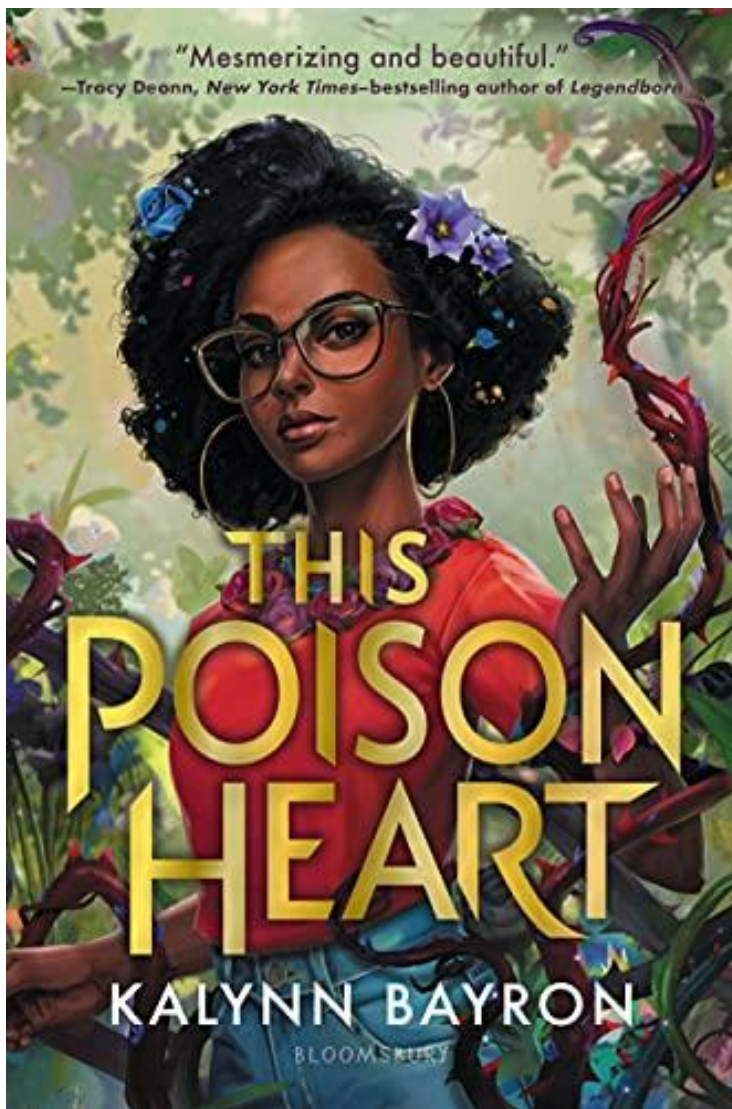


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An Amazon Best Book of the Month July 2021

"This Poison Heart masterfully weaves a unique story grounded in the depths of Greek mythology and Black girlhood, ideal for lovers of folklore or those who enjoy the thrill of a well-paced and unanticipated adventure."

—Booklist, starred review

"Bayron conjures a world filled with magic and mystery... [This Poison Heart] brings much-needed inclusivity and contemporary flavor to the teen fantasy genre." —Kirkus

"Bayron weaves science and Greek mythology into a captivating lore that lends weight to this fantastical contemporary story. She conjures entertaining and realistic dialogue and attentive characterization, while incisive descriptions and sumptuous prose evoke a wonderfully gothic atmosphere." —Publishers Weekly, starred review

"Kalynn Bayron's writing is alchemy itself, blending contemporary fantasy with a dose of haunting mystery and a dropper of gothic fiction. An intoxicating tale about the power of about Black motherhood and daughterhood, and family bonds that can't be broken. Like the poisonous plants Briseis tends to, This Poison Heart is mesmerizing and beautiful." —Tracy Deonn, New York Times bestselling author of Legendborn

"Bayron takes an old story, turns it on its head, and makes it her own with a stunning display of pacing, character, and legacy."

—#1 New York Times bestselling author E.K. Johnston

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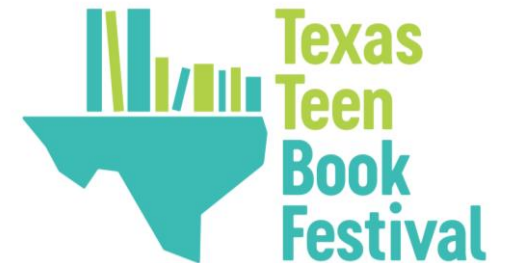
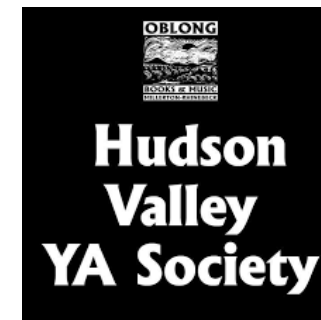
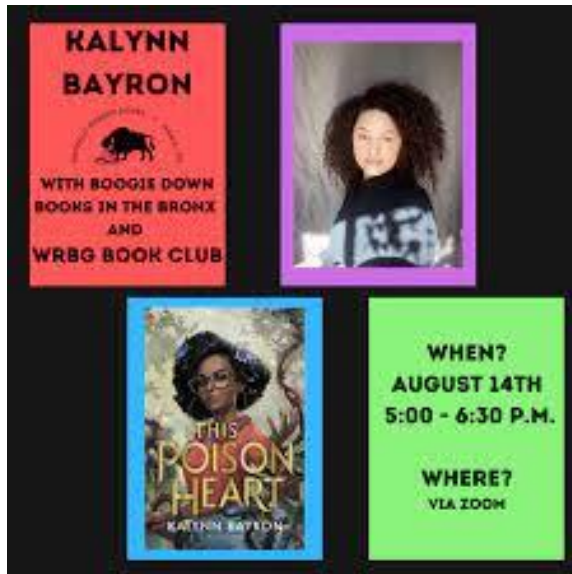
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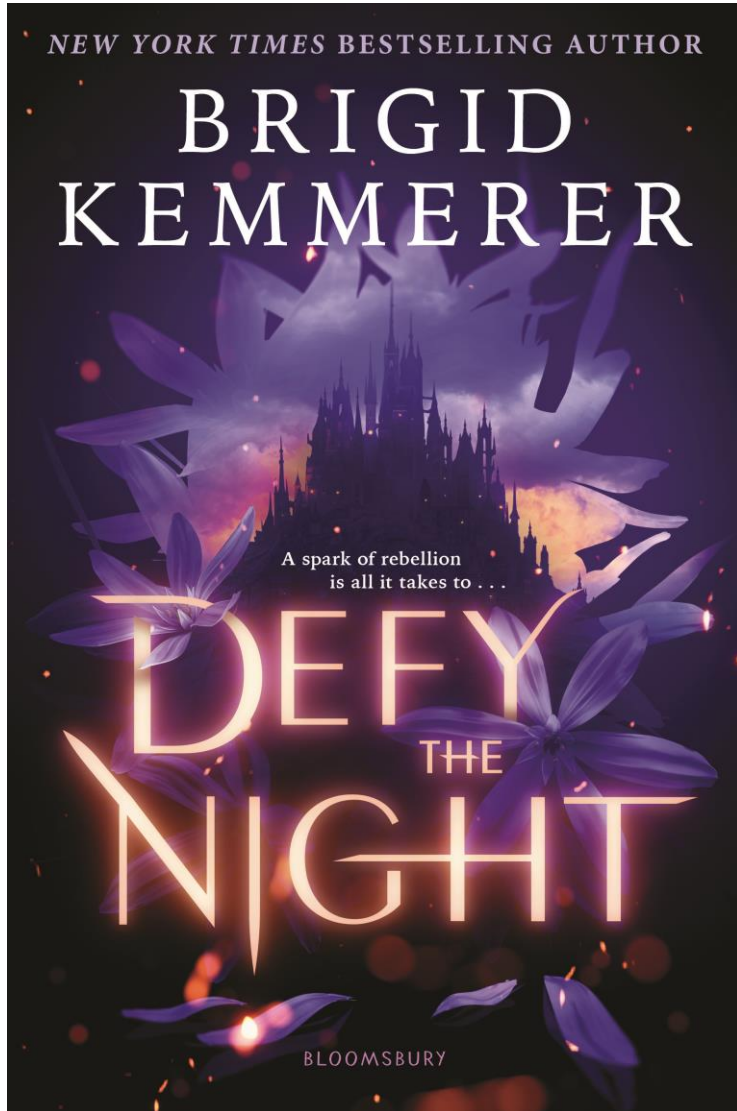


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“The slow-burn romance—between an idealist with straightforward moral beliefs and a pragmatist trapped by duty—will keep the pages turning, as will the scheming of the king’s consuls and the rebellion brewing in the background.... The personal and the political intertwine in this engaging series opener.” —*Kirkus*

“*Defy the Night* hits the ground running and never slows down, leaping from one charged moment to the next.... Thoughtful, multifaceted and truly character-driven, *Defy the Night* is ultimately a hopeful story that shows how those who dare to envision a better future also have the power to make it a reality.” —*BookPage*

“A foreboding twist on the tale of Robin Hood, *Defy the Night* is a promising series debut.”
—*Foreword Reviews*

“*Defy the Night* is a twisty, edge-of-your-seat fantasy that has it all—outlaws, court intrigue, rebellions, and romance. Addicting from page one!”
—#1 *New York Times* bestselling author Jennifer L. Armentrout

“A captivating combination of thrilling adventure, swoon-worthy romance, and royal intrigue, *Defy the Night* is everything I crave in a fantasy romance.”
—Stephanie Garber, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of the *Caraval* series

“A breathtaking, tender, and fiercely page-turning story, *Defy the Night* has left me thinking and questioning, which is the best thing any book can do.”
—Mary E. Pearson, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Remnant Chronicles*

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SEPTEMBER 11 3PM CT BLUE WILLOW BOOKSHOP Virtual / In conversation with Mary E. Pearson	SEPTEMBER 16 5PM CT THE BOOK CELLAR CHICAGO, IL In-person outdoor sit-and-sign	SEPTEMBER 23 4:30PM ET QUAIL RIDGE BOOKS RALEIGH, NC In-person meet-and-greet
SEPTEMBER 14 7PM ET TOWNE BOOK CENTER COLLEGEVILLE, PA In-person event and signing	SEPTEMBER 17 7PM CT BOSWELL BOOK COMPANY MILWAUKEE, WI In-person event and signing	OCTOBER 2 2PM ET THURMONT LIBRARY THURMONT, MD In-person event and signing *Book sales by Books with a Past
SEPTEMBER 15 1:30PM ET / 6:30PM UK WATERSTONES / FANE Virtual / In conversation with Melinda Salisbury	SEPTEMBER 19 2PM ET THE IVY BOOKSHOP BALTIMORE, MD Ticketed in-person outdoor event and signing	OCTOBER 6 6PM MT SECOND STAR TO THE RIGHT DENVER, CO In-person event and signing *With Lilliam Rivera and Phil Stamper
	SEPTEMBER 21 6PM ET BOOKS & BOOKS MIAMI, FL Ticketed in-person signing	

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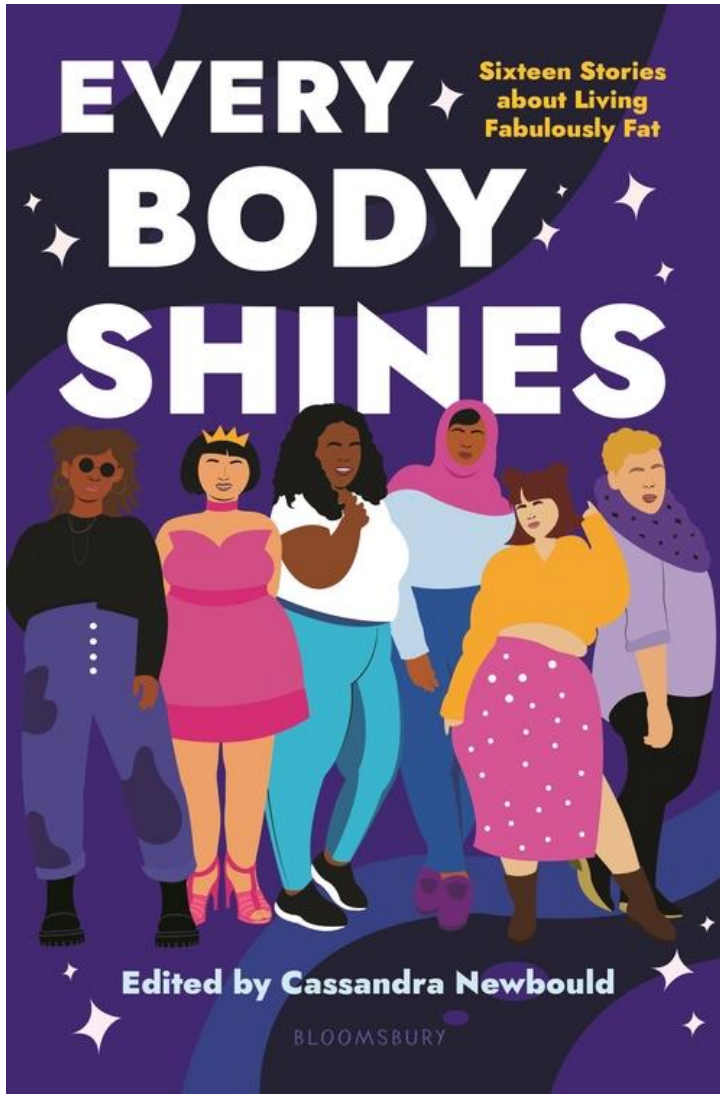
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“An assortment of fat friends holding out hands of welcome... undeniably fills an important niche.”
—*Kirkus Reviews*

“A deeply validating and joyful collection! *Every Body Shines* is the kind of book I’ve been waiting to see on shelves my whole life.” —Julie Murphy, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author

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“Readers will find themselves immersed in Prewitt and Calliope’s magical world full of secrets, ancient beings, and mysterious histories.... A fast-paced, heart-squeezing adventure, perfect for fans of intricate fantasy worlds and memorable characters.” —*Booklist*, starred review

“Finding hope, true friendship, and bravery lies at the hearts of their journeys... A fantastical adventure full of hope.”
—*Kirkus Reviews*



“Berkman’s story offers a refreshing twist for ‘community helpers’”. –*BCCB*

“...A positive addition to the growing collection of social justice books for children and will appeal to future firefighters of any gender. This tale of the first official NYC female firefighter holds quality and feminism at its core.” —*Kirkus*

“This gratifying story is told in cheerful, accessible, inclusive language.... [and] Engaging, realistic illustrations.” —*Booklist*

