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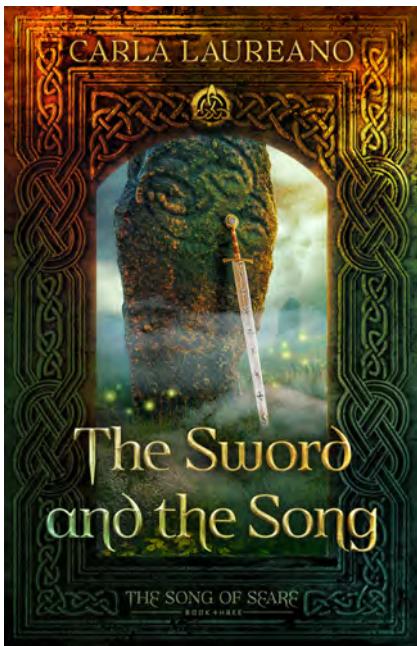
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The Sword and the Song (The Song of Seare, Book 3)

Carla Laureano



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The Shadow of War

Seare is at war. The Red Druid has continued to gain strength and power, and the people of Seare suffer beneath the ravages of the isle's unbound spirits. The Firéin are all that stand between the land and certain disaster. But there is strife within the Brotherhood as well: Eoghan still refuses to claim his rightful throne, leaving the responsibilities of rule to Conor and creating an uncomfortable distance between the sworn brothers.

When Conor leaves Ard Dhaimin to find the key to defeating the Red Druid, he delves into a world of shadows and danger which will bring him to the brink of madness and back. All the while Eoghan and Aine are left to pursue their own mission to defeat their adversary through her magical gifts.

But as the final battle looms ever closer, they realize that the cost of defeating the Red Druid may be greater than they're willing to pay... and that nothing—and no one—is as it seems.

About the Author

Carla Laureano is the two-time RITA® award-winning author of over a dozen books, spanning the genres of contemporary romance and Celtic fantasy. A graduate of Pepperdine University, she worked in sales and marketing for more than a decade before leaving corporate life behind to write full-time. She currently lives in Denver, Colorado with her husband, two sons, and an opinionated tortoiseshell cat named Willow.

Marketing Highlights

- Author is known for her inspirational romance but launched career with epic fantasy novels.
- Book touches on themes of self-esteem and identity.
- Author has won two RITA Awards for Romance with Religious Elements (2014, 2019).
- Comp titles: *The Paradise War* by Stephen R. Lawhead; *A Cast of Stones* by Patrick W. Carr; *By Darkness Hid* by Jill Williamson.



PUBLISHING



Praise for Song of Seare series:

The second installment of The Song of Seare series is just as good as the first. Conor and Aine's struggles to hold on to hope makes them lovable characters who resonate with readers. The setting is unique and the plot moves quickly and is very engaging. Readers will be thirsty for the final book in the trilogy. This series is a must-read!

—**RT Book Reviews**

Carla Laureano has crafted a richly detailed dark-ages epic that will captivate fantasy lovers.

—**R.J. Larson**, author of *Books of the Infinite*

Oath of the Brotherhood is a beautifully crafted allegory about finding one's gifts and purpose. Carla Laureano has contributed a simply enchanting page-turner to the fantasy genre. I was delighted to discover it and disappointed it ended so soon. The Song of Seare is a promising new fantasy series with a vast storyworld that hints at more wonder to come. I loved this book!

—**Jill Williamson**, Christy Award-winning author of *By Darkness Hid* and *Captives*

Carla Laureano's *Oath of the Brotherhood* is a wonderfully entertaining tale of magic and heroism, betrayal and triumph. With its Gaelic flavor and engaging characters, it will have you turning pages long after the real world tries to call you away. I particularly enjoyed the author's deft handling of the main character's romance. Nicely done!

—**Patrick W. Carr**, author of *The Staff and the Sword*

Carla Laureano dips her quill in the fantasy genre with the deft skill of a master! *Oath of the Brotherhood* captivates and defies the norm, wrenching readers from the boredom of overdone plots. You'll laugh, you'll cheer, you'll wish you could ward against the real world so you can read that next paragraph! With rich characters, killer plot twists, and an incredible storyworld, *Oath of the Brotherhood* will live in the hearts of its readers long after the last page is turned!

—**Ronie Kendig**, best-selling, award-winning author

Rich with Celtic lore, battle, and competing magics, *Oath of the Brotherhood* is a heroic coming-of-age fantasy experience and an inspiring series opener.

—**Serena Chase**, author of the *Eyes of E'veria* YA fantasy series

The Laureano world seems genuine and the lead couple a brave wonderful duo... readers will appreciate Conor as a scholar warrior defending his faith and people, and Aine leading her nation in an insurgency against the evil who took over the kingdom.

—**Midwest Book Review**

Oathbound (The Royal Rose Chronicles, Book 1)

Victoria McCombs



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Beware the waters.

The dangerous deep brings ruin to all.

Emme has spent her life avoiding anything to do with pirates. But the fates are cruel, and now a hidden sickness leads her to partner with pirates for the one thing that can save her—a cure on an island none are certain exists.

The pirate captain's secrets are darker than the deep and threaten to kill them all. His obligations are tinged with betrayal, for his oathbind must be fulfilled. To ignore it is to invite peril of unimaginable destruction.

As the adventure unfolds, the sea takes more than she expects and the sea gives more than he wants.

About the Author

Victoria McCombs is the author of *The Storyteller's Series* from Parliament House Press, and *Oathbound*. She writes young adult fantasy and adores stories about treacherous pirates and traitorous princes. Her favorite things include peppermint hot chocolate, peanut butter ice cream, game nights with family, and Jesus. She has her mom to thank for allowing so many medieval weapons inside the house as she was growing up, which curated her love for that time period. She is a mom of three little boys and a wife to the handsomest accountant there is. Together they live in Omaha, Nebraska.

Marketing Highlights

- Highly-anticipated YA pirate fantasy trilogy duology from author Victoria McCombs. She has a loyal fanbase from her previous three titles.
- Comp titles: *All the Stars and Teeth* by Adalyn Grace, *House of Salt and Sorrows* by Erin A. Craig, and *Fable* by Adrienne Young.
- Ideal for teenagers who enjoy outdoor adventures, reading YA sea fantasies, and volunteering. Resonates with those heading to university and searching for their place in the world.
- Uses context of fantasy genre to address themes of unlikely friendships, community, and redemption.
- Emboldens the reader to keep promises, fight temptations, and build connections with others.



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Maxine Justice: Galactic Attorney

Daniel Schwabauer



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Can Justice Save the Earth from Extinction?

Maxine Justice is an ambulance-chasing lawyer desperate for relevance and cash when aliens hire her to represent them before the United Nations. An off-planet consortium wants to heal humanity of every natural disease in exchange for 30% of Earth's gold reserves.

The deal launches Max to legal stardom and makes her an international target for assassins. New Pharma, Sky Cross, MediCorp—the big medical companies all have good reasons to want Max out of the way. Worse, she discovers her alien clients may be planning something more sinister than anyone has imagined.

Can a lawyer who failed the bar exam three times find some way to save the world from global and interstellar conspiracies? Or will humankind's future end in a galactic courtroom?

About the Author

Daniel Schwabauer, M.A., is a lifelong reader of speculative fiction. He studied the genre under science fiction great James Gunn before graduating with honors from Kansas University's Masters program in Creative Writing. Winner of the Eric Hoffer and Ben Franklin awards for his middle grade fantasy series, *The Legends of Tira-Nor*, Daniel enjoys riding his motorcycle on country roads and pondering other worlds. He lives in Kansas City with his wife and dog.

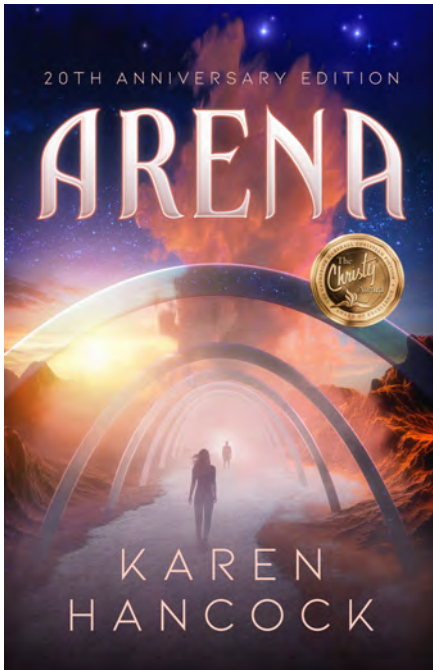
Marketing Highlights

- Author is a successful speaker, a creative writing and high school journalism instructor; popular with homeschool conferences, writers groups, and libraries.
- Standalone sci-fi novel is author's second general trade book after achieving award-winning success with middle grade fantasy series.
- Comp titles: *The Space Merchants* by Frederick Pohl and C.M. Kornbluth; *Going Postal* by Terry Pratchett, *King of Torts* by John Grisham.
- Author has background of several years as an insurance adjuster.
- Explores the nature of justice and the need for mercy in a world bent on blaming everyone except themselves.
- Ideal for readers passionate about social change, immersed in speculative fiction and sci-fi movies, and those that have a sense of humor and cynicism about the legal industry.



Arena: 20th Anniversary Edition

Karen Hancock



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A Journey She Did Not Choose Will Change Her Life Forever

Transported surreptitiously to a terrifying alien world, with limited resources and only a few cryptic words to guide her, Callie Hayes finds herself engulfed in a perilous battle for freedom – for her very life. After agreeing to participate in a routine psychology research experiment, she must unravel the mysteries shrouding her only route of escape or risk succumbing to the deadly deception of the Arena.

A mesmerizing journey through the treacherous terrain of a strange and terrifying world. A powerful allegory that will capture your imagination with its timelessness and aching familiarity.

About the Author

Karen Hancock has won Christy Awards for each of her first four novels—*Arena* and the first three books in the *Legends of the Guardian-King* series, *The Light of Eidon*, *The Shadow Within*, and *Shadow over Kiriath*. She graduated from the University of Arizona with bachelor's degrees in biology and wildlife biology. Along with writing, she is a semi-professional watercolorist and has exhibited her work in a number of national juried shows. She and her family reside in Arizona.

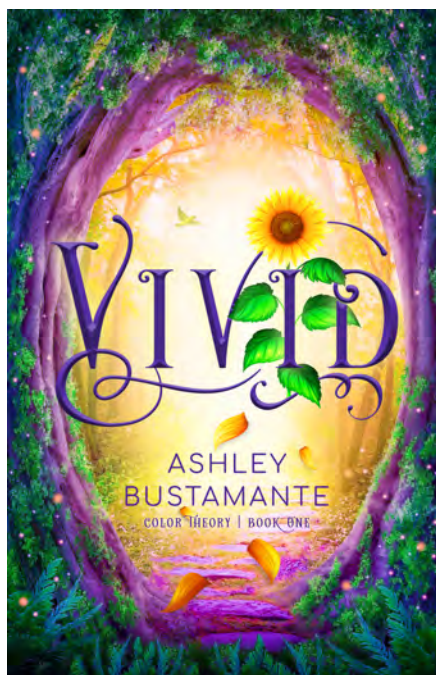
Marketing Highlights

- Author has won many literary awards and was the first inductee into The Christy Award Hall of Fame.
- Special 20th anniversary edition of one of the author's best-selling fantasy novels.
- Comp titles: Patrick Carr's *The Staff and the Sword* series; Sharon Hinck's *Sword of Lyric* series; *Chronicles of Thomas Covenant the Unbeliever* by Stephen Donaldson
- Explores the sense of belonging and the nature of angelic conflict- the reason we're here and the part we play in this world as God created us.
- *Publisher's Weekly* called *Arena* an excellent though edgy contribution to the genre.
- Ideal for readers passionate about fantasy such as *Lord of the Rings*, immersed in speculative fiction, and extra depth for those ready to embark on a spiritual journey within the story.



Vivid (Color Theory, Book 1)

Ashley Bustamante



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Danger Lurks Behind Every Color

When Ava Locke was five years old, she began a journey to join the Benefactors—the leaders of the magical continent of Magus. Twelve years later, she unwittingly started down the road to betray them.

On Magus where colors fuel magical abilities, yellow is banned in an effort to protect people from its mind-controlling capabilities. When a rogue Yellow magic-user named Elm escapes imprisonment Ava becomes innocently fascinated with his story. Once this mysterious Elm shows up at her school, Ava pushes her interest to the next level by helping him evade the Benefactors. Ava grows increasingly conflicted as her intrigue leads her down a dark road of secrets about her world. As she learns more about Yellow magic's potential to control its victims, Ava now must question whether her rash decisions are all her own or if someone else is pulling the strings.

About the Author

Ashley Bustamante has created stories from the moment she could scribble and staple sheets of paper together. She simply cannot recall a time when writing was not a force in her life. When not running through lines of dialogue in her mind, she enjoys taking photographs and spending time with her husband, three children, and any furry, feathered, or scaly creature she can find. She currently works at Arizona State University.

Marketing Highlights

- Comp titles: *Skylark* by Meagan Spooner (world where magic meets technology) and *Divergent* by Veronica Roth (students grouped in predetermined categories).
- Ideal for teenagers who have a desire to serve the community, are slightly introverted, and enjoy fantasy reads.
- Uses context of fantasy genre to address themes of unity, good vs. evil, and the value of having a good support group.
- Encourages the reader to find value in themselves and fight for what they believe is right.



***Shadow of Honor* (The Droseran Saga, Book 3)**

Ronie Kendig



The war he fears may be the very one he's been called to start.

Held captive, tortured by monsters of a nightmarish alien race, Marco Dusan clings to a final goal: keep these beasts from the Quadrants, even if it means orchestrating his own death. But his dreams betray that singular design. In them his bonded calls to him across lightyears. Does he leave her to fight Symmachia alone, or risk bringing an unwinnable war to every planet in the Quadrants?

On board the alien dreadnought, Eija Zacdari flounders, torn amidst military machinations, prophecies, and an inexplicable bond with one of the fearsome creatures who have imprisoned her friends. Only by uncovering the truth about an ancient conflict now shrouded in deception will she find her place.

Faced with her true identity, Eija sees her purpose snap into focus, and she realizes the war Marco fears may be the very one he has been called to start.

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About the Author

Ronie Kendig is a bestselling, award-winning author of over thirty books. She grew up an Army brat, and now she and her Army-veteran husband have returned to their beloved Texas after a ten-year stint in the Northeast. They survive on Sonic & Starbucks runs, barbecue, and peach cobbler that they share--sometimes--with Benning the Stealth Golden. Ronie's degree in psychology has helped her pen novels of intense, raw characters.

Marketing Highlights

- Author is prolific military fiction writer but has also won awards and achieved critical acclaim in speculative fiction genre.
- Third book in an epic space opera series described as "*Firefly* meets *Dune* in a medieval space adventure".
- Author has previously received glowing reviews from *Publishers Weekly*, *Booklist*, *Library Journal*, and more.
- Comp titles: *Skyward* by Brandon Sanderson and *Aurora Rising* by Amie Kaufman & Jay Kristoff.



Praise and Awards for *Brand of Light* (The Droseran Saga, 1):

2020 Realm Award Winner, Science Fiction

2020 Alliance Award Winner, Reader's Choice

2020 ACFW Carol Award Finalist, Speculative

"This new Christian science fiction series is an epic story in the making... Readers will eagerly await future books after becoming engaged in Kersei's redemptive arc."

—**Booklist**

Kingdoms at war. A galaxy full of intrigue. A heroine you can't help but cheer for. *Brand of Light* is the exhilarating start of an epic new saga! Kendig at her best!

—**Tosca Lee**, New York Times best-selling author

This book has everything: intricate worlds steeped in rich culture and twisted politics, broken treaties, secret prophecies, and heart-stopping revelations that will keep you turning pages long into the night. Kendig delivers a brilliant blend of pulse-punching action, heartache, and hope. *Brand of Light* is the space opera I've been waiting for. A masterpiece.

—**Nadine Brandes**, award-winning author of *A Time to Die* and *Romanov*

Complex and compelling, with enough intriguing characters to power several novels. An exciting start to a space opera series that promises action, mystery, and romance to come!

—**Kathy Tyers**, author of the Firebird series, *Shivering World*, and *One Mind's Eye*

From the expansive worldbuilding to the rich cast of characters, I was a goner from chapter one. I loved every second I spent in this complex, beautiful, intense world. Ronie Kendig is a master storyteller, weaving scenes with intricacy, depth, and heart, while maintaining the taut pacing of a suspense novel. Wherever Kendig takes the Droseran Saga next, I'm there for it!

—**Lindsay A. Franklin**, award-winning author of *The Story Peddler*

Praise for *Dawn of Vengeance* (The Droseran Saga, 2):

"Kendig weaves suspenseful intergalactic intrigue in the entertaining second space opera- ample chase scenes and sword fights create tension along the way. Series readers will be pleased."

—*Publishers Weekly*

"An adventure that will have readers flying through stars, unraveling conspiracies, and cheering for a diverse cast of characters."

—**Shannon Dittmore**, author of *Winter, White and Wicked*

"Kendig masterfully weaves a tale of love, strength, and beauty that will leave readers captivated with every twist this epic saga has to offer."

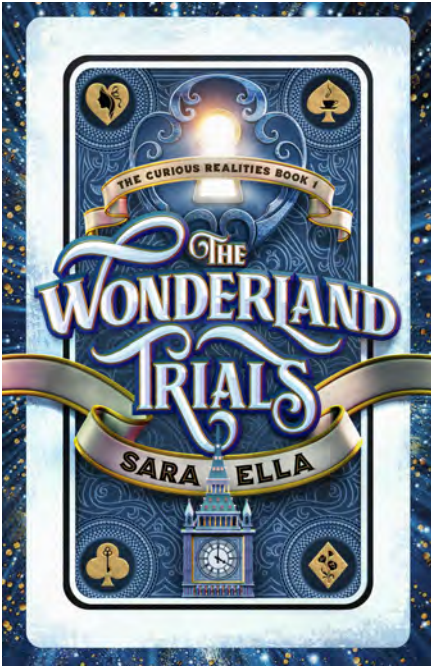
—**Morgan L. Busse**, award-winning author of *The Ravenwood Saga*

"Absolutely extraordinary! Kendig has once again proven herself a victor in the realm of the space opera--brilliantly returning readers to a galaxy as captivating as her characters."

—**Lauren H. Brandenburg**, author of *The Death of Mungo Blackwell*

The Wonderland Trials (The Curious Realities, Book 1)

Sara Ella



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Solve the clues. Face your fears. Survive the Trials.

All Alice Liddell wants is to escape her Normal life in Oxford and find the parents who abandoned her ten years ago. But she gets more than she bargained for when her older sister Charlotte is arrested for having the infamous Wonder Gene—the key to unlocking the curious Wonderland Reality.

Soon, Alice receives a rather cryptic invitation to play for Team Heart in this year's annual—and often deadly—Wonderland Trials. Now she has less than twenty-four hours to find her way into Wonderland where nothing is impossible . . . or what it seems.

The stakes are raised when she discovers players go missing during the Trials each year. Will she and her team solve the clues and find the missing players? Or will betrayal and distrust win, leaving Alice alone in a world of her own? Follow the White Rabbit into this topsy-turvy fantasy where players become prey, a sip of the wrong tea might as well be poison, and a queen's ways do not always lead one where they ought to go.

About the Author

Once upon a time, **Sara Ella** dreamed she would marry a prince and live in a castle. Now she spends her days homeschooling her three Jedi in training, braving the Arizona summers, and reminding her superhero husband that it's almost Christmas. When she's not writing, Sara might be found behind her camera lens or planning her next adventure in the great wide somewhere. She is a Hufflepuff who finds joy in the simplicity of sipping a lavender white mocha and singing Disney tunes in the car. Sara is the author of the Unblemished trilogy and Coral, a re-imagining of The Little Mermaid that focuses on mental health. Sara still believes “Happily Ever After is Never Far Away.”

Marketing Highlights

- Highly-anticipated new Alice in Wonderland YA retelling duology from author Sara Ella, award winning author praised in the *Library Journal*. She has a loyal fanbase from her previous four titles.
- Comp titles: *Caraval* by Stephanie Garber (a magical game); *Warcross* by Marie Lu (a girl who lives on the edge of the law); and *Jumanji* by Chris McKenna (losing lives/hearts in a virtual reality-type world).
- Ideal for gaming teenagers who enjoy playing *Zelda*, bingeing fairy tale reads, and attending Comic-Con. Resonates with those who are from blended or broken families.
- Uses context of fantasy genre to address themes of found family, unseen realities, and trusting others.
- Encourages the reader to believe in the impossible and face their greatest fears.



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Awards for Past Books

Unblemished: Winner of the 2017 ECPA Christian Book Award (YA Literature), Finalist for the 2017 Christy Awards, and Finalist for the 2017 Carol Awards

Unraveling: Winner of the 2017 YA Books Central “All the Feels” Award, Finalist in the 2018 Christy Awards

Coral: 2020 Carol Award Finalist

Industry Praise for Past Books

- “A stunning journey into a fascinating new world of reflections.” — *RT Book Reviews*, 4 1/2 star review, TOP PICK! (*Unblemished*)
- “Engaging and suspenseful debut . . . superb worldbuilding.” — *Library Journal*, starred review, Debut of the Month (*Unblemished*)
- “Filled with excitement and nonstop action, this good vs. evil story will captivate readers. . . This is superb fantasy writing that may just convince non-fantasy fans to give the genre a try.” — *RT Book Reviews*, 4 stars (*Unraveling*)
- “Wow! What an exquisite conclusion to the thrilling *Unblemished* trilogy. . . A feast of pop culture and literary references, masterful worldbuilding and heartfelt allegory, the entire series is not to be missed — and this last book ties it all together in stunning fashion.” — *RT Book Reviews*, 4 stars (*Unbreakable*)
- “The story highlights friendship, loyalty, and perseverance with likable characters and engaging writing.” *WORLD Magazine* (*Unbreakable*)
- Endorsed by authors such as Nadine Brandes (*Romanov*), Mary Weber (*To Best the Boys*), Shannon Dittmore (*Winter, White and Wicked*), Melissa Landers (*Starflight* series), and Lorie Langdon (*Olivia Twist*).

***Blood Secrets* (Skyworld, Book 2)**

Morgan L. Busse



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Not everyone wants to see the world saved . . .

Time is running out. Cities are being engulfed in the Mist and humanity is on the brink of extinction. Theo believes he has found a way to stop mankind from Turning, but he doesn't know how to alter Cass's unique blood into a cure. Or if it can even be done.

Meanwhile, Cass struggles with the idea that she is possibly the savior of the world—a world she is not sure is worth saving.

From the Winchester manse to the steel city of Decadenn, there is something more chasing Cass than the House of Lords or the masked man who can walk in the Mist. Soon she must decide if she will use her blood to save mankind or let those who only care about themselves perish.

About the Author

Morgan L. Busse is a writer by day and a mother by night. She is the author of the Follower of the Word series, The Soul Chronicles, and The Ravenwood Saga. She is a three-time Christy Award finalist and winner of both the INSPY and the Carol Award for best in Christian speculative fiction. During her spare time she enjoys playing games, taking long walks, and dreaming about her next novel.

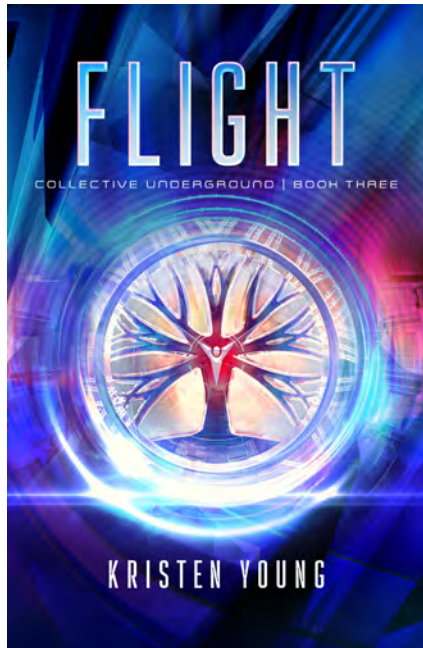
Marketing Highlights

- Comp titles: *Hell Divers* (humanity living on airships diving back to Earth for supplies) by Nicholas Sansbury Smith and *To Best the Boys* (Victorian sci-fi setting) by Mary Weber.
- Author is winner of the Selah, INSPY Reader's Choice, and a Carol Award and a Christy Award Finalist.
- Perfect for teens and young adults that enjoy steampunk fantasy, zombies, and dystopian worlds.
- Focuses on the message of the difficulty of saving those who have wronged you.
- Uses context of the steampunk fantasy genre to address themes of hope, sacrifice, and found family.



Flight (Collective Underground, Book 3)

Kristen Young



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The Fight for What is Right is Also a Fight to Survive

On the cusp of graduation, Cadence is finally feeling in control. She's about to become one of the prestigious Elites working in the Hall of Love. Plus, she can take her place as a full member of the underground Sirens who meet secretly in Love City. She'll finally be able to use her memory skills for good, instead of reporting people as a Watcher.

But a dangerous trap is set, throwing Cadence into unwelcome and unfamiliar territory. Someone in the Collective remembers things that could very well get her killed. The Muse is by her side, after all, but will she be protected when someone powerful wants her dead?

Cadence just wants to be normal, free from politics or squad intimidation. Will she be able to achieve her Elite dreams, or will sinister forces leave her running for her life?

About the Author

A Scottish-born Australian author, **Kristen Young** has worked in children's and youth ministry for decades. She writes fiction and non-fiction for teens, and always has a notebook on hand to capture stray story ideas. In her spare time she loves hanging out with her family, watching movies with subtitles, and enjoying a little too much chocolate.

Marketing Highlights

- YA sci-fi thriller set in a futuristic world that is technologically advanced, sterile, and tightly controlled.
- The first book in the trilogy, *Apprentice*, won the 2021 Realm Award for Science Fiction and Book of the Year.
- Comp titles: *Ready Player One* by Ernest Cline; *Brave New World* by Aldous Huxley; *The Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins; *Warcross* by Marie Lu.
- Ideal for HS/college students who face the pressure of conformity, enjoy dystopian YA novels and/or have an interest in religion.
- Explores what it means to persevere in faith through difficulties, and the concept of forgiveness.
- Features relatable YA themes of friendship, loyalty, and lies.

