



# Chicken House

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GUIDE**

**2024**

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# NEW YOUNG ADULT

A white egg-shaped graphic with a drop shadow, containing the text "Chicken House" in a blue, hand-drawn, cursive-style font.

Chicken  
House





**£8.99**

Ages **14+**

Pub date: **10th April 2025**

Word count: **90k**

**Rights:** World, excluding film rights.

Justice is merciless in the Hive, a monarchy of tomorrow, where a young bodyguard awaits execution. Guilty of being alive when her charge lies dead. But the prisoner, Feldspar, has one defender – royal maverick Nico. Together they have three days to prove the impossible. Three days to question everything Feldspar knows about the world that raised her to discover who the real murderer is.

- A thrillingly original YA murder mystery from **Anna February**.
- A dystopian story featuring a dangerous future monarchy and a richly imagined world based on the society of bees.
- With themes of ecology, science, politics and class hierarchy.



YA



**£8.99**

Ages **14+**

Pub date: **8th May 2025**

Word count: **85k**

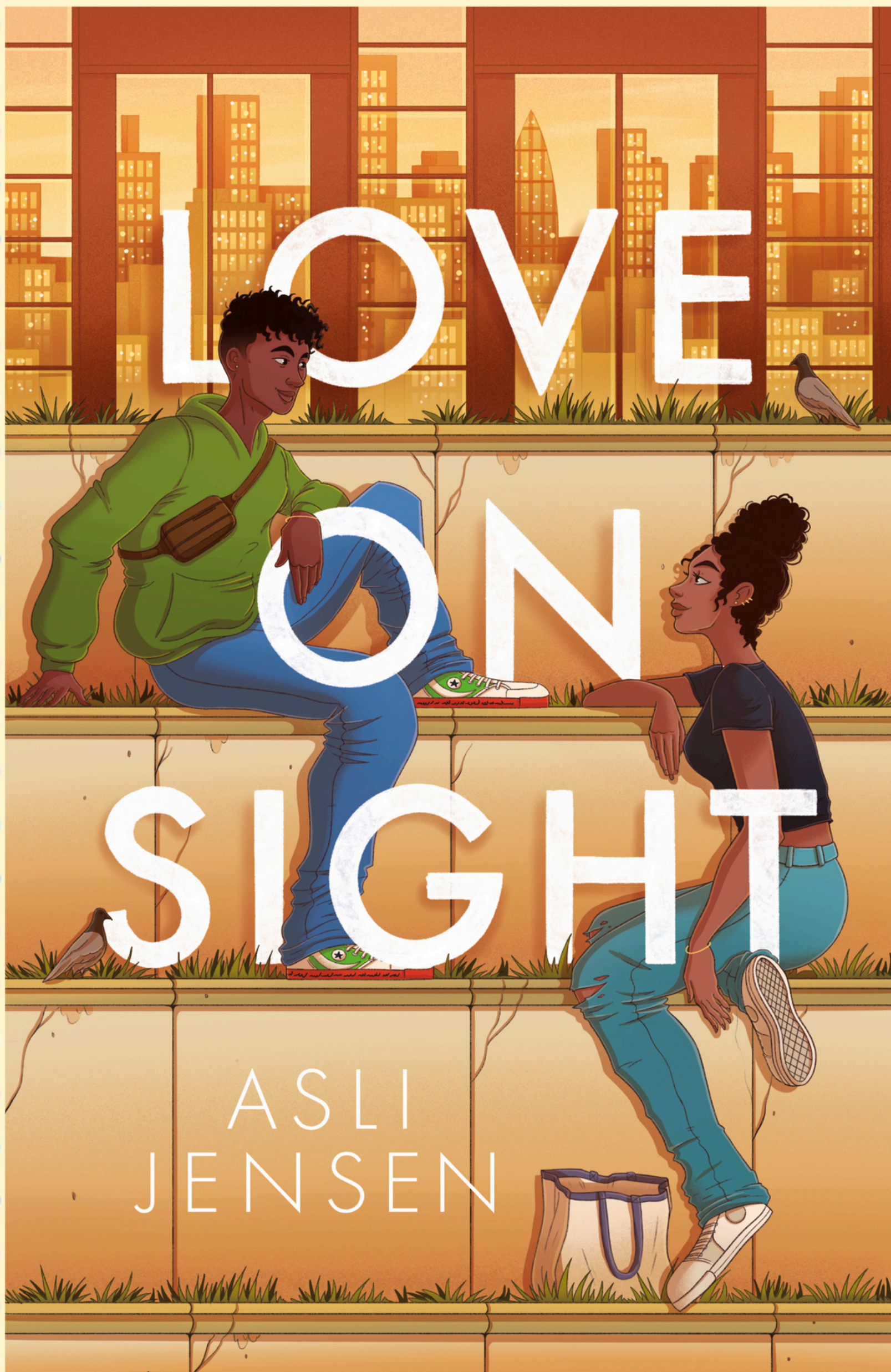
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**Morgan believes her nightmares are over when she moves to the country. She confides in a local boy, Joe Harper, whose secrets seem as tangled as hers. And their time together is magic. But Morgan's bad dreams return when her archaeologist father starts working on an ancient grave. With every relic unearthed, a creeping horror emerges – a deadly spell that binds them all . . .**

- A stand-alone YA contemporary fantasy novel with folk horror elements, from debut author **Marisa Linton**.
- Perfect for lovers of dark academia.
- Spells, legends, druids and all things supernatural, it's the perfect read for WitchTok.



YA



**£8.99**

Ages **14+**

Pub date: **14th**

**August 2024**

Word count: **80k**

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**Sabrina has her life planned out – she’s going to pass her A levels and go to university. But then something unexpected happens: she falls in love with Jalaal, the local drug dealer. How can an English Jamaican girl and a Somali Muslim boy make their relationship work when their backgrounds, religions and families are so against them?**

- The debut novel from the Lime New Storyteller 2023 award winner, **Asli Jensen**.
- A stand-alone YA contemporary romance, this dual narrative fluidly incorporates Multicultural London English.
- Danielle Jawando meets Candice Carty-Williams, this uplifting and sometimes challenging romance draws on the author’s experience of growing up in inner-city London.
- Explores class, culture and religion in a fresh and authentic style.





# RECENT YOUNG ADULT

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YA



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Ages **14+**

Pub date: **1st August 2024**

Word count: **75k**

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When homeless schoolgirl, Jenny, meets demon, Luc, they make a dangerous pact. Both have been scarred by the same childhood event – the day Jenny’s soul was stolen by the Devil, Luc’s father. Now Luc has promised to return it, but can a demon be trusted? Jenny must find the courage to follow Luc into Hell and save him from the darkness that waits.

- The stunning debut novel from the *Times*/Chicken House Children’s Competition 2022 Chairman’s Choice Prize-winner, **Jess Popplewell**.
- Draws on the author’s own experience of homelessness, making this a powerful, authentic story.
- Dante’s *Inferno* meets *Euphoria* in this fresh contemporary YA.
- An inventive, funny and quirky reimagining of a modern version of hell.



A CHICKEN HOUSE LEAD TRILOGY

YA

BOOK 1



£8.99

Ages 14+

Pub date: 9th May  
2024

Word count: 75k

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Audio (Bolinda),  
France (Gallimard),  
Germany (Carlsen),  
Romania (RAO), USA  
& Canada  
(Scholastic USA),  
Vietnam (Waka).

Sage is an ordinary girl and a werewolf. When her friend is murdered, she is determined to help warlock investigator Oren Rinallis, and find the killer. Unless she and Oren kill each other first . . .

- The first in a stunning YA crime fantasy series – each title standalone – from outstanding new talent **Amie Jordan**.
- Think slow-burn romance, twisty crime, and heart-warming friendship in a unique urban romantasy setting under the city of Manchester – *Rivers of London* meets Cassandra Clare.
- ‘*This is the most wonderful debut novel. Anyone who’s enjoyed series like Ghosts or Being Human will absolutely love this . . .*’ **BBC 4 FRONT ROW**



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BOOK 2

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Ages **14+**

Pub date: **8th May 2025**

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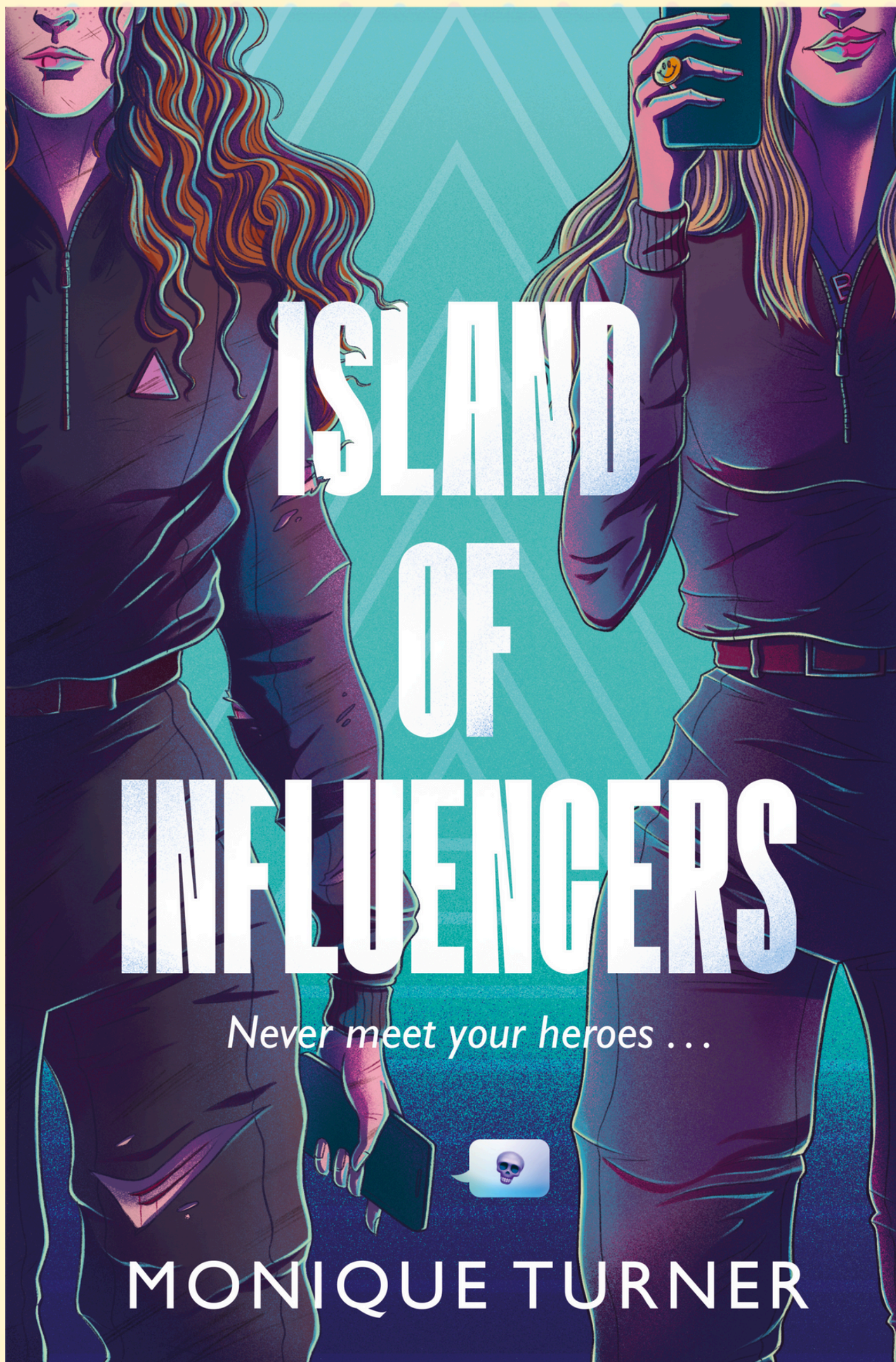


Sage and Oren are sent to investigate rising tensions between witches and werewolves in the Jura Mountains. After dealing with murder, this case feels tame – punishment for their undeniable connection. But neither expects to find evidence of worse: traces of old magic, tortured lost souls and a deadly fog that kills everything it touches.

- The second book in the gripping new YA crime fantasy series by outstanding new talent, **Amie Jordan**. With the third to come in 2026.
- Slow-burn romance, twisty crime and heart-warming friendship, this time set in the French mountains.



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Pub date: **13th Feb 2025**

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Harper wants to be an influencer. But when her cousin and idol, Bellee is the latest victim in a string of influencer kidnappings, Harper discovers the kidnappings are fake – victims are put on an island for a new reality show. The *Island of Influencers* pits the greatest internet talents against each other, and Harper is added on at the last minute. It's not long before cracks begin to appear in the influencers' shiny veneers . . .

- The thrilling contemporary debut novel from Guppy Open Submission shortlistee **Monique Turner**, who has experience working for social media stars!
- A *Hunger Games* concept exploring the negatives and positives of internet culture and idol worship. Funny, dramatic and sometimes dark, perfect for those who love a *Black Mirror* twist.
- Highly relatable for a YA market.



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# NEW MIDDLE GRADE

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**Ages 9+**

**Pub date: 5th June  
2025**

**Word count: 50k**

**Rights:** World,  
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**When Corrine picks up a shell on the beach, she doesn't expect to see a tiny girl inside it. Kauri lives below sand and sea, travelling with her family on the tides. But now their miniature world is in danger, and they need a shellkeeper to keep them and the beach safe.**

- A cosy middle-grade debut from **Truly Johnston**, winner of the Bath Children's Novel Award 2022.
- A heart-warming tale about a family of miniature people cast adrift in the human world.
- Shades of *The Borrowers* in a coastal shell setting.
- Themes of family, environment, friendship and belonging.





**£7.99**

**Ages 9+**

**Pub date: 13th March 2025**

**Word count: 45k**

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English Audio (W F  
Howes)

**Eddie can eat a wheelie bin as easily as a cheeseburger – a talent that gets her sent to the School of Doom with its motto, ‘Be the Worst’. But Eddie’s neither beastly nor hopeless. And when she and her new friends are plunged into mortal danger, she must try her best to prove it.**

- The hilarious debut middle-grade adventure from **Sarah Harrison**, winner of the *Times*/Chicken House Children’s Fiction Competition 2022.
- Explores themes of friendship and belonging.
- A unique monster-filled twist to a classic school adventure.
- Perfect for fans of *The Beast and the Bethany*.





**£7.99**

Ages **9+**

Pub date: **10th April 2025**

Word count: **65k**

**Rights:** World,  
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England, 1645. Merriweather Pryce is the daughter of a Royalist nobleman fighting for King Charles I in a civil war. With her home besieged by Cromwell's army, Merri sets out on a daring mission for help. But the country is full of enemy soldiers, turncoats and spies. In a world turned upside down, who can she really trust?

- Another rip-roaring, beautifully written life-and-death quest, packed with history and adventure from bestselling historical fiction author **Ally Sherrick**.
- Set during the English civil war before the pivotal battle of Naseby.
- Explores themes of family, loyalty, friendship and courage.
- *'This historical tale is steeped in intrigue, mystery and danger.'* **BOOKTRUST, ON BLACK POWDER**





# RECENT MIDDLE GRADE



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Ages **9+**

Pub date: **2nd Jan 2025**

Word count: **40k**

**Rights:** World, including film rights.  
**Rights sold:** World English Audio (W F Howes)

When the bees die out, a new pollinator arrives. Deathflies help grow crops but there's a nasty side effect . . . zombies. Laying their eggs in people, deathflies turn people into dangerous zombies when they die. But the world must adapt or there won't be enough to eat. Can Merian and her scientist mum convince others to save the zombies? Or will the big corporation succeed in convincing people to kill them? And just what does it mean when a docile zombie shows up?

- The action-packed debut novel of MSLexia Children's and YA 2023 winner, **Alice Nuttall**.
- An original idea that turns the usual zombie story on its head – save the zombies, don't kill them!
- With environmental themes packaged alongside age-appropriate horror and scares, this is the perfect book for upper-middle-grade fans ready for a meaningful zombie story.



## BOOK 1



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Ages 9+

Pub date: **11th April 2024**Word count: **45k****Rights:** World, excluding film rights.**Rights sold:** UK Audio (Bolinda), Germany (Magellan), Greece (Patakis), USA (Aladdin)

Falling behind their classmates on a school trip to the Alps, Finn and Milo stumble upon an egg buried in ice. Later that night it hatches and a sixty-five million-year-old baby is born: Arty is a microraptor brought back from extinction. But keeping her safe proves harder. Wicked scientists will do anything to get their hands on her, and soon Finn and Milo must run for their lives...

- The first from **Philip Kavadias** in a thrilling series of all-action environmental adventures – with added dinosaur friend Arty!
- A super-cool debut voice in middle grade; think *Jurassic Park* meets *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*, with a dash of *Alex Rider*.
- Features brilliantly charming illustrations from Euan Cook throughout.



## BOOK 2

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Ages 9+

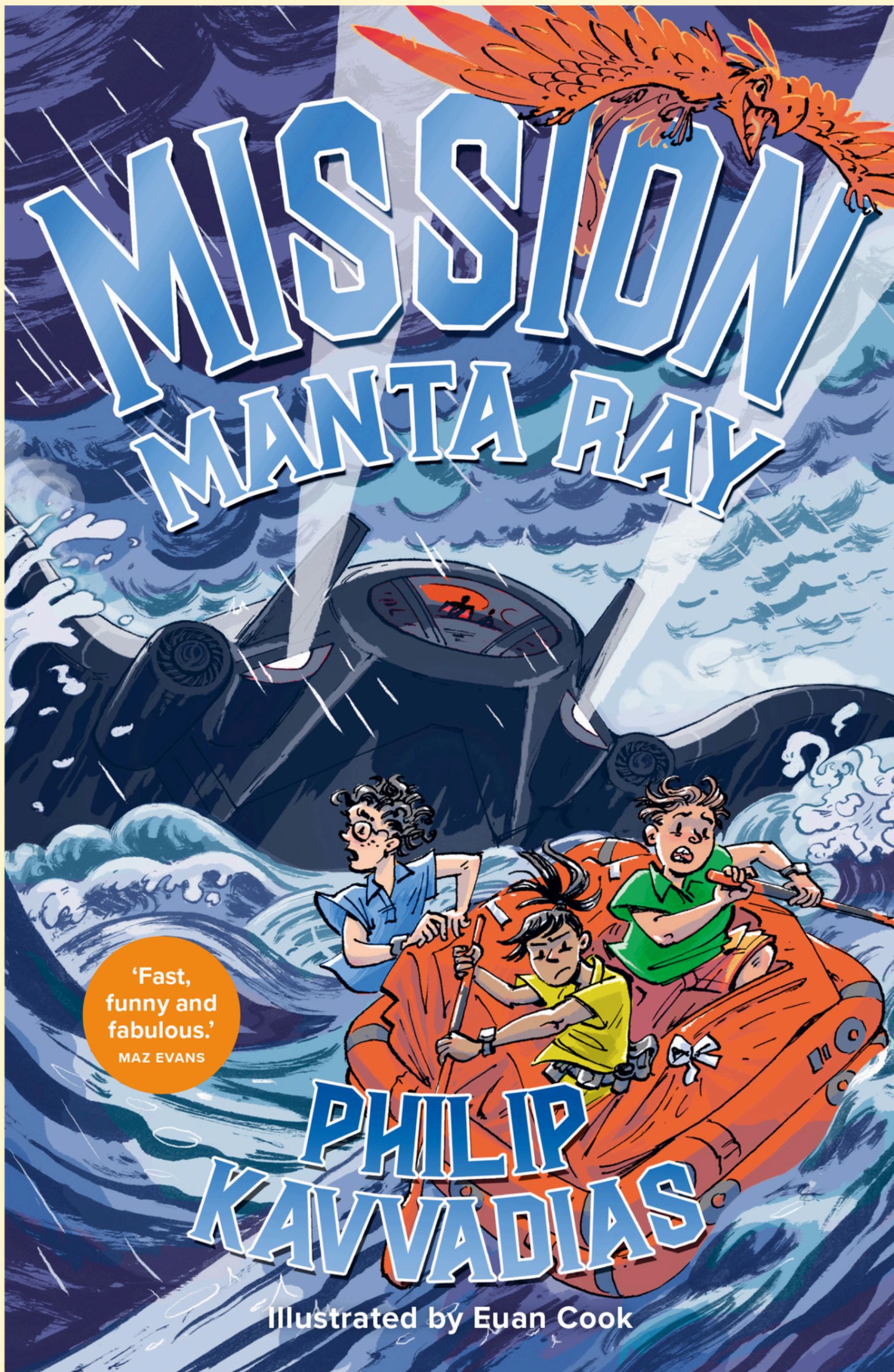
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Finn, Milo, and new girl, Tasi – together with Arty, the microraptor – are sent to investigate deep-sea disturbances. Soon they are plunged into danger when their research ship is torpedoed by a vast submersible shaped like a manta ray. Once again, the junior agents are face to face with an enemy that has bottomless ambition . . .

- The second in the all-action adventure series from **Philip Kavvadias** – with added environmental themes.
- Features brilliantly charming illustrations from Euan Cook throughout.
- Praise for ***Mission: Microraptor***: ‘Fast, funny and fabulous.’ **MAZ EVANS**



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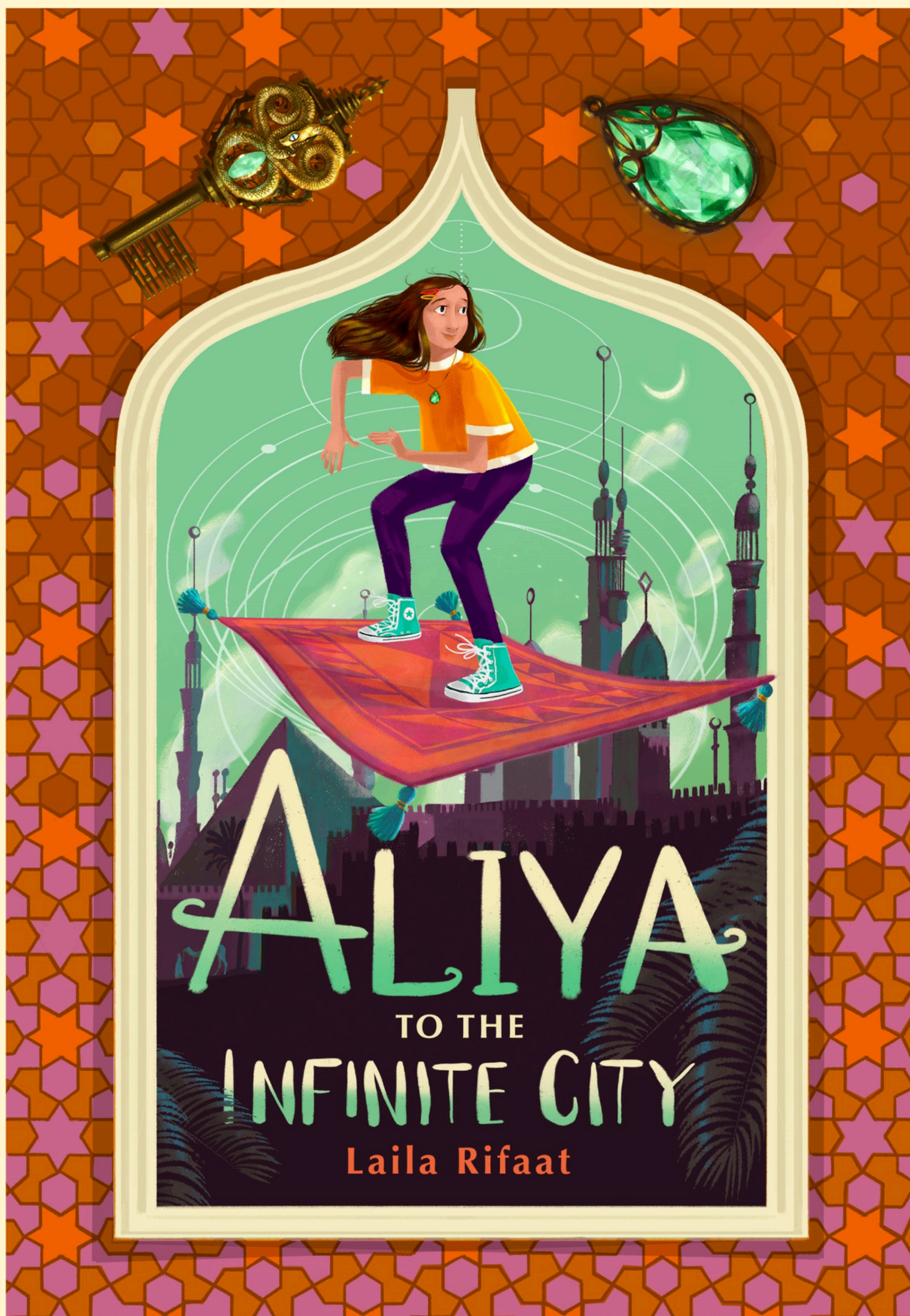
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Pub date: 1st

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Word count: 70k

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Audio (Ulverscroft),  
Vietnam (Waka)



A glittering birthday gift arrives for Aliya promising her greatest wish – to know her late parents, who were time-travellers from a parallel Egypt. But ruthless Dorian Dark will stop at nothing to snare Aliya's secret inheritance . . .

- An exceptional middle-grade series by **Laila Rifaat**; both sparkling and magical, set in a fantastical Egypt.
- Shortlisted for the *Times*/Chicken House Children's Fiction Competition.
- Recent bestsellers *Nura and the Immortal Palace* and *The Kingdom Over the Sea* show a current appetite for Middle Eastern-inspired fantasy.



## BOOK 2

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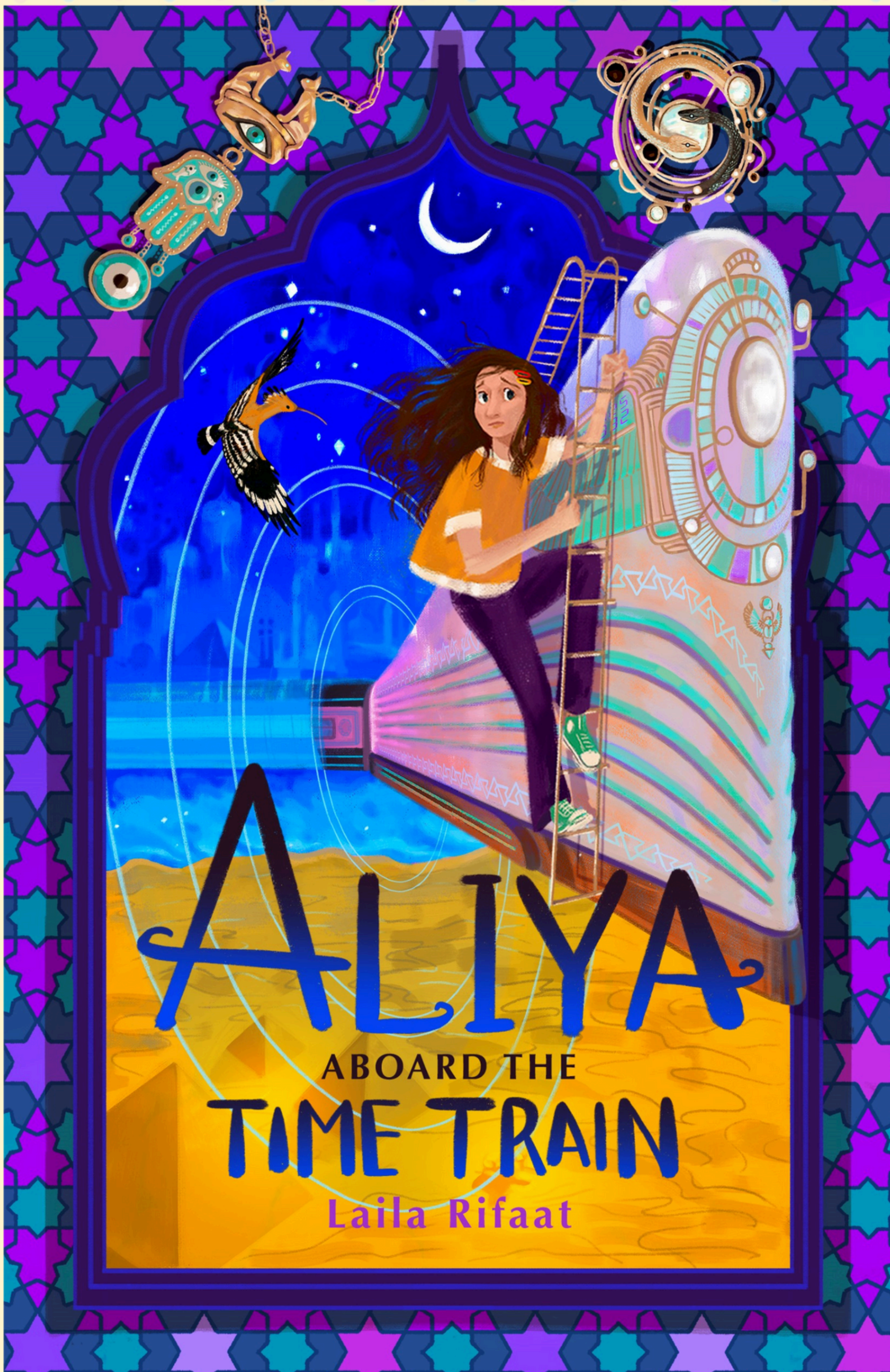
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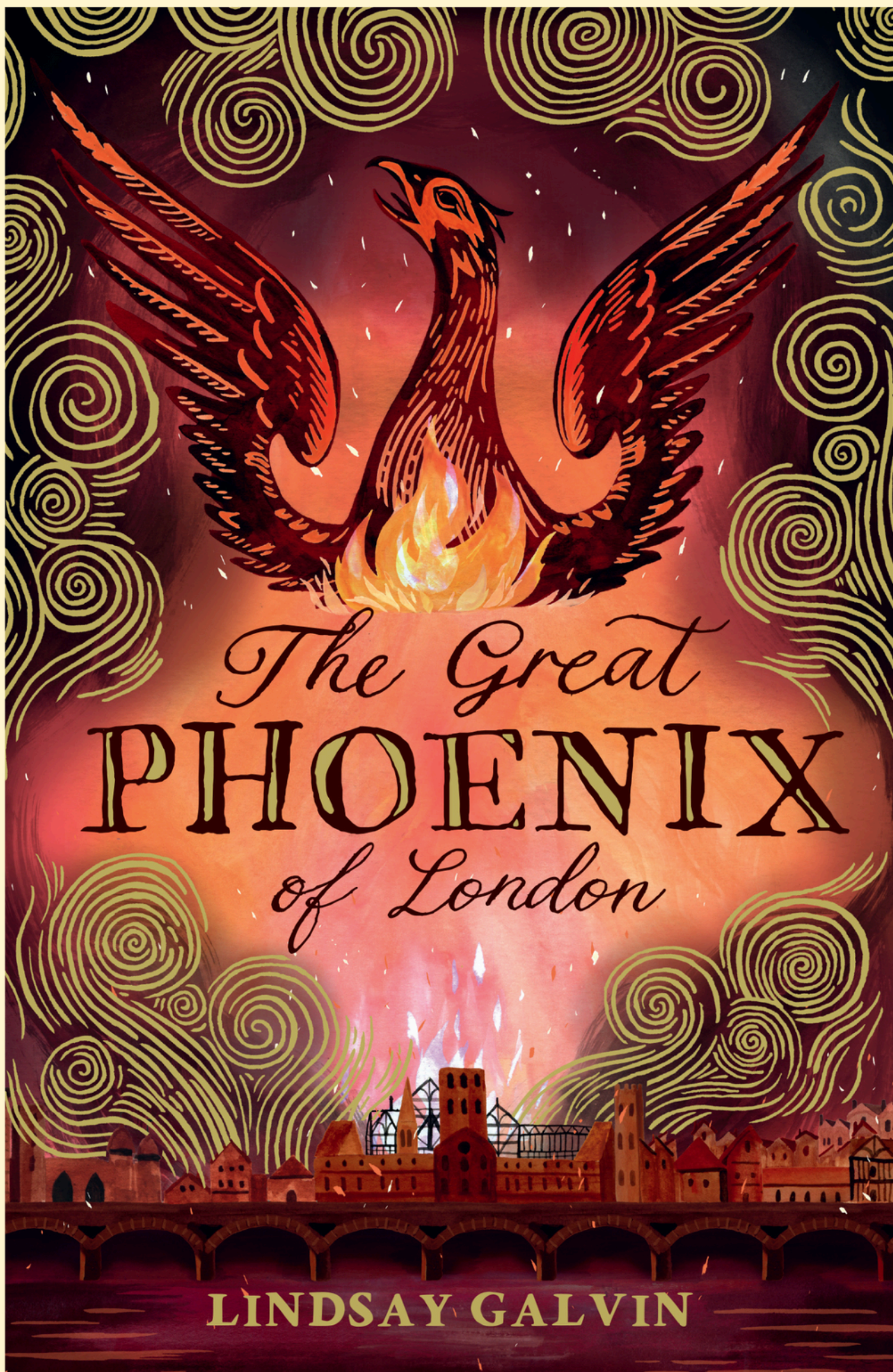
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When sinister magic threatens Aliya's world once more, she is sent away on a school trip for her own safety aboard the time-travelling Silver Express. But what is supposed to be an educational journey through Egyptian history becomes a deadly race to save it from evil time-twister and master of disguise, Dorian Darke.

- Sequel to the sparkling *Aliya to the Infinite City*, which was shortlisted for the *Times*/Chicken House Children's Competition 2021.
- Book 3, *Aliya and the Shop of Second Chances*, to come in May 2025.





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Pub date: **12th**

**September 2024**

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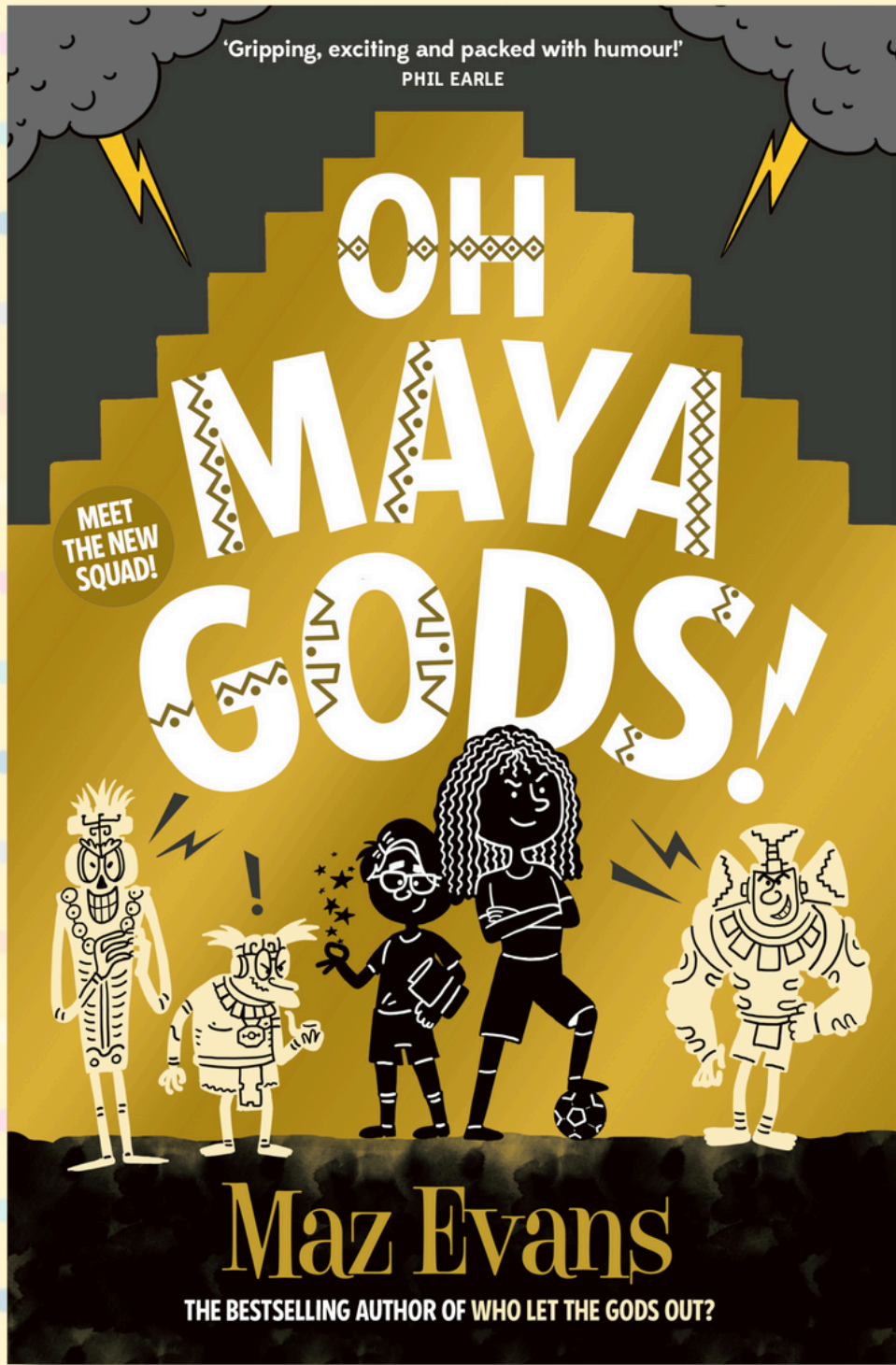
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English Audio (W F  
Howes)

**1666. When 11-year-old bookish Gil finds a strange ‘heaven stone’ by the Thames, he never thought it would hatch. Or that so soon after the Great Plague, a small fire in London would become a deadly inferno. Soon Gil, his phoenix, and his spiky friend Magda must cross the burning city, avoid a terrifying mob, and find a place where they can all be safe.**

- The fourth middle-grade historical adventure by hugely successful and critically acclaimed **Lindsay Galvin**.
- A unique spin on the infamous tragedy with Galvin’s original mix of mythology, history and science.
- The Great Fire of London is a favourite National Curriculum teaching topic.
- A touching animal friendship at the heart of the story.



- Superstar author **Maz Evans**' epic new adventure is a welcome return to the bestselling world of the *Who Let the Gods Out?* series.
- In this new trilogy, each novel focuses on a different group of mythical villains inadvertently freed from captivity.



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Ages **9+**

Pub date: **28th**

**September 2023**

Word count: **60k**

**BOOK 1**

Meet the brand-new Gods Squad led by Vesper, the bossy, football-mad adopted daughter of Elliot Hooper. Along with Virgo's son, Aster, she heads to ancient Meso-America to save the world from Mayan immortals messing with astronomy, chocolate and human sacrifice ...

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**Rights sold:** World English Audio (W F Howes)

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Ages **9+**

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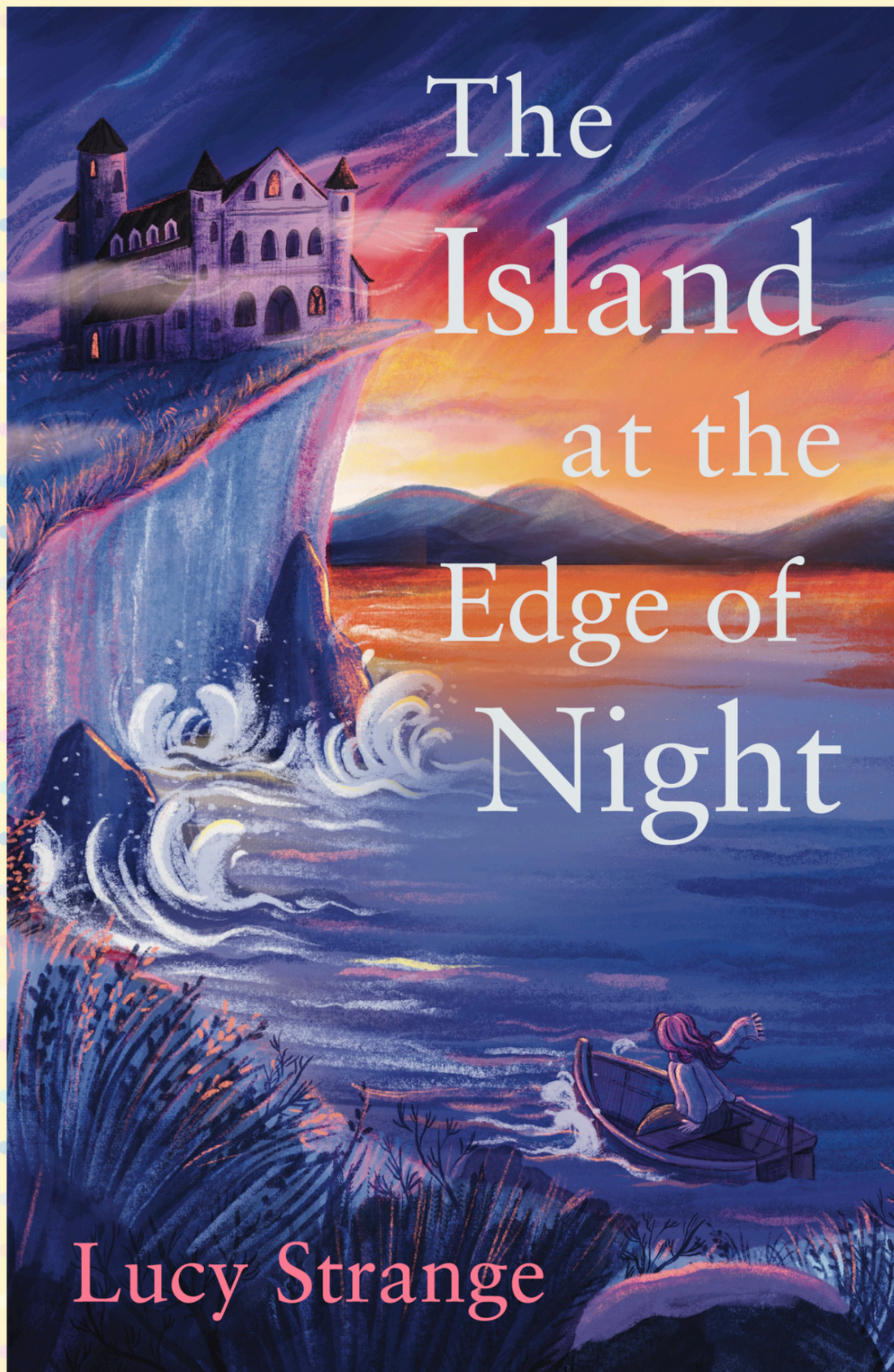
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**BOOK 2**



**BOOK 3**





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Abandoned at a boarding school on a wild and remote island, Faye Fitzgerald discovers that she and the other pupils have been sent there for doing something wicked. But what is it that Faye has done? She might be bold enough to tackle the sinister mysteries of the island, but has she the courage to face the secrets deep within herself?

- A stunning new tale from the Queen of Gothic, **Lucy Strange** – author of *The Secret of Nightingale Wood*, *Sisters of the Lost Marsh* and the Waterstones Prize-shortlisted *Our Castle by the Sea*.
- A masterful blend of thrilling Gothic mystery, a touch of magical realism and stunning writing, all wrapped up in a twisty-turny plot.
- Perfect for fans of Frances Hardinge and Emma Carroll.





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Ages **9+**

Pub date: **9th May 2024**

Word count: **40k**

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**Hiya! I'm Silvia, an ordinary kid just like you. At least, I was ordinary until I wound up in Ancient Rome as a demi-goddess. Yeah, that took me by surprise too. But seriously, travelling back in time is nothing compared to what's happening now: Medusa the gorgon wants her head back – and she's chosen me to find it!**

- Packed full of Roman and Ancient Greek mythology – as you've never seen it before!
- A laugh-out-loud funny family caper full of excitement and heart: perfect for fans of *Loki*, *Horrible Histories* and *Who Let the Gods Out?*.
- **Marie Basting** takes readers on a second time-travel adventure – following the well-loved story of *My Family and Other Romans*.
- Perfect for ages 8 and up; sure to be a hit with KS2 readers, as Romans and Greeks are a staple on the curriculum.





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