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# **FANTASY**



## The Backstagers and the Ghost Light

by Andy Mientus (YT MIENTUS)

When Jory transfers to St. Genesius Prep, he joins the stage crew and discovers the magic that happens backstage but when some cast members play with a Spirit board, the ghost light goes out and strange things begin to happen.

## The Barren Grounds

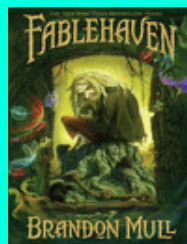
by David Robertson (YT ROBERTSON, D)

When two indigenous foster children find a secret portal to another reality, they encounter Ochek, the only hunter supporting his starving community of Misewa, and the three try to save Misewa before the icy winter freezes everything.

## Fablehaven

by Brandon Mull (YT MULL)

When Kendra and Seth go to stay at their grandparents' estate, they discover that it is a sanctuary for magical creatures and that a battle between good and evil is looming.



## Fibbed

by Elizabeth Agyemang (YT GN AGYEMANG)

While spending the summer in Ghana with her grandmother, Nana, a girl who doesn't lie but whom no one believes nevertheless, comes face-to-face with a trickster spider of legend who needs her help to stop those intent on draining the forest of magic.



## The Girl From Earth's End

by Tara Dairman (YT DAIRMAN, T)

To save her father, 12-year-old Henna, a gifted gardener, attends St. Basil's Conservatory, a botanical boarding school rumored to house a legendary, long-extinct plant with miraculous healing powers, and while searching for the seeds, Henna learns to flourish with a little help from her newfound friends.

## Ink Girls

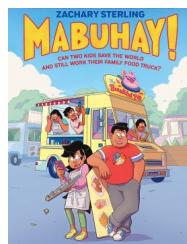
by Marieke Nijkamp (YT GN INK #1)

Charged with treason after accusing the principessa's powerful brother of stealing from the city, Cinzia manages to escape and works with the principessa's daughter to expose the truth, following a whisper network of girls who empower them to change the course of history.

## Inkheart

by Cornelia Funke (YT FUNKE, C)

Twelve-year-old Meggie learns that her father, who repairs and binds books for a living, can "read" fictional characters to life when one of those characters abducts them and tries to force him into service.



## Mabuhay!

by Zack Sterling (YT GN STERLING)

Struggling to fit in at school, first-generation Filipino siblings JJ and Althea find their world turned upside down when witches, ogres and other creatures from Filipino folklore come to life, forcing them to embrace who they really are to save their family.

## Magyk

by Angie Sage (YT SAGE)

After learning that she is the Princess, Jenna is whisked from her home and carried toward safety by the Extraordinary Wizard, those she always believed were her father and brother, and a young guard known only as Boy 412—pursued by agents of those who killed her mother ten years earlier.

## The Marvellers

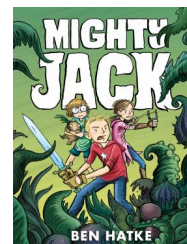
by Dhonielle Clayton (YT CLAYTON, D)

The first Conjuror to attend the Arcanum Training Institute along with Marvellers from around the world, 11-year-old Ella must prove her innocence, with the help of a new friend, when a dangerous criminal escapes and her mentor disappears.

## Mighty Jack, #1

by Ben Hatke (YT GN MIGHTY #1)

Prompted by his sister, Jack trades his mom's car for a box of mysterious seeds, but soon their normal garden turns into a wild jungle filled with magical creatures and, one night, changes into a dragon.



## Moonflower

by Kacen Callender (YT CALLENDER, K)

Moon is convinced that they do not belong to this world: that most of the time they are invisible (unless they stay still too long), that they belong to the stars, and want to go back to them—they live entirely in their imagination with an imaginary spirit guide who can appear in any shape and refuses to speak to anyone, lest their words tie them to a world they reject.

## The Moth Keeper

by Kay O'Neill (YT GN O'NEILL, K)

Anya is excited to prove her worth as a Moth-Keeper, a protector of the lunar moths that allow the Night-Lily flower to bloom once a year, but she quickly finds that life as a Moth-Keeper is not what she imagined it would be.

## Nura and the Immortal Palace

by M. T. Khan (YT KHAN, M.)

Searching for her buried friend after the mines collapse, twelve-year-old Pakistani mica miner Nura finds herself at the Sijj Palace, a luxury hotel for the dangerous and deceitful jinn, where she must discover the truth beneath the glitter or be trapped forever.

## The Ogress and the Orphans

by Kelly Regan Barnhill (YT BARNHILL, K)

When a child goes missing from the Orphan House in the town of Stone-in-the-Glen, the mayor suggests the kindly Ogress is responsible, but the orphans do not believe that and try to make their deluded neighbors see the real villain among them.

## The Revenge of Magic

by James Riley (YT RILEY)

After the governments of the world discover that there are long-dead magical creatures, each with a buried book of magic, they realize that they need the help of kids to harness the magic.



## The Secret Keepers

by Trenton Lee Stewart (YT STEWART)

When twelve-year-old Reuben finds a peculiar, magical watch that has the power to turn its wearer invisible, he's propelled on the adventure of a lifetime.

## The Secret of the Ravens

by Joanna Cacao (YT GN RAVENS #1)

Twin homeless orphans Elliot and Liza take part in the Raven Quests—magical tasks that when completed promise the victors untold riches—but when a quest goes terribly wrong and Liza is poisoned, Elliot sacrifices everything to find the cure.

## Tidesong

by Wendy Xu (YT GN XU)

When she attempts to do magic on her own, young witch Sophie accidentally entangles herself with a water dragon named Lir whom she tricks into helping her get into the best magic school in the realm.



## The Vanquishers

by Kalynn Bayron (YT BAYRON, K)

In an alternate San Antonio, there have been no known cases of vampirism since a group of masked vampire hunters called the Vanquishers wiped out the last horde of the undead twenty years ago, but twelve-year-old Malika "Boog" Wilson's parents are not taking any chances, especially when Boog's new classmate Aaron goes missing.

## Willa of the Wood

by Robert Beatty (YT BEATTY)

In the late 1800s, a twelve-year-old night spirit living in the Great Smoky Mountains despairs as homesteaders destroy her forest habitat, until a chance encounter with a "day-folk" man changes everything she thought she knew about her people—and their greatest enemy.