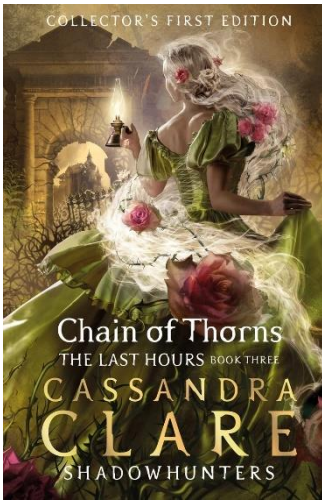
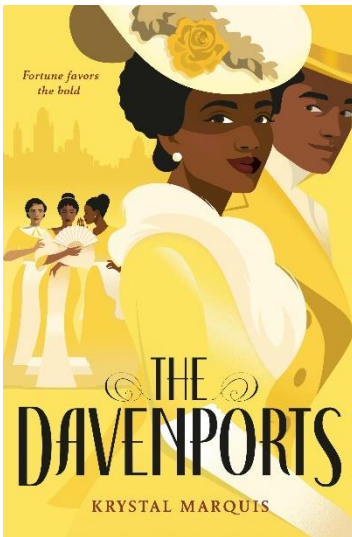


NEW BOOKS FOR YOUNG ADULTS



***Chain of Thorns* / Cassandra Clare ; interior illustrations by Alexandra Curte**
A Shadow Hunters Novel 2023 *The Last Hours Book* 14 + years

Cordelia Carstairs has lost everything that matters to her. She has seen her father murdered, her plans to become parabatai with her best friend, Lucie, destroyed, and her marriage to James Herondale crumble. Even worse, she is now bound to an ancient demon, Lilith. After fleeing to Paris with Matthew Fairchild, shocking news arrives. London is threatened by the Prince of Hell, Belial. Cordelia is torn between her love for James and the possibility of a life with Matthew. But Belial's plan is like a deadly wave. To save their city -- and their families -- the Shadowhunters will have to muster their courage and trust one another again. If they fail, they may lose everything -- even their souls.



***The Davenports* / Krystal Marquis 2023 13 + years**

The Davenports are one of the few Black families of immense wealth and status in a changing United States, their fortune made through the entrepreneurship of William Davenport, a formerly enslaved man who founded the Davenport Carriage Company years ago. Now it's 1910, and the Davenports live surrounded by servants, crystal chandeliers, and endless parties, finding their way and finding love--even where they're not supposed to. There is Olivia, the beautiful elder Davenport daughter, ready to do her duty by getting married . . . until she meets the charismatic civil rights leader Washington DeWight and sparks fly. The younger daughter, Helen, is more interested in fixing cars than falling in love--unless it's with her sister's suitor. Amy-Rose, the childhood friend turned maid to the Davenport sisters, dreams of opening her own business--and marrying the one man she could never be with, Olivia and Helen's brother, John. But Olivia's best friend, Ruby, also has her sights set on John Davenport, though she can't seem to keep his interest . . . until family pressure has her scheming to win his heart, just as someone else wins hers.



***Highly Suspicious and Unfairly Cute* / Talia Hibbert 2023 15 + years**

This is a laugh-out-loud YA novel about a quirky content creator and a clean-cut athlete testing their abilities to survive the great outdoors - and each other. Could you brave the wilderness with your highly suspicious and unfairly cute ex-best friend? BRADLEY GRAEME is pretty much perfect: he's a star football player, manages his OCD well (enough) and comes out on top in all his classes... except the ones he shares with CELINE BANGURA. They used to be best friends, until Brad decided he was too cool for conspiracy-theory-obsessed Celine and abandoned her for the popular kids' table. (At least, that's how Celine sees it.) These days, there's nothing between them but insults and academic rivalry. So when Celine signs up for a two-part survival course in the woods, the last thing she expects is to find Brad right beside her. Forced to work as a team for the chance to win the grand prize, Celine and Bradley must trudge through not just mud and dirt but their messy past. As this adventure brings them closer together, they start to remember all the good parts of their history. But has too much time passed... or just enough to spark a whole new kind of relationship?