

# Strong Women Strange Worlds

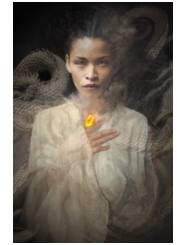
## Third Thursday QuickReads, January 19, 2023

Featuring



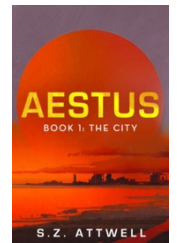
**Brenda Carre** author of *Gret of Roon*  
Young Gret the Witch is kidnapped by a traitorous uncle and sold to pirates. Winning free and cast adrift onto foreign shores, Gret is thrust into a final battle between swarms of demon entities and a mysterious revenant she doesn't quite trust.

<https://brendacarre.com/>



**S.Z. Attwell** author of *Aestus, Book 1: The City*  
An underground city, built centuries ago to ride out the devastating heat. A society under attack. And a young solar engineer whose skills may be the key to saving her city...if she doesn't get herself killed first.

<https://szattwell.com/>



**Reese Eschmann** author of *Etta Invincible*  
A girl with hearing loss and a boy adjusting to life in a new country connect through their love of comics and get entangled in their own fantastical adventure.

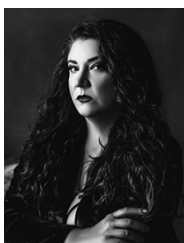
[ReeseEschmann.com](https://ReeseEschmann.com)



**Kate Sheeran Swed** author of *Chaos Zone (Parse Galaxy Book 1)*  
Space travel is so overrated. Bounty hunting isn't any better, but it's what Sloane Tarnish needs to do if she wants to fix the rundown spaceship her uncle dumped on her. So she can find him and dump it right back.

<https://books2read.com/chaos-zone>

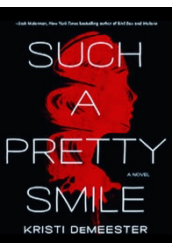
[KateSheeranSwed.com](https://KateSheeranSwed.com)



**Kristi DeMeester** author of *Such a Pretty Smile*  
A biting novel from an electrifying new voice, a heart-stopping tour-de-force about powerful women, angry men, and all the ways in which girls fight against the forces that try to silence them.

<https://bookshop.org/p/books/such-a-pretty-smile-kristi-demeester/16721598?ean=9781250274212>

[www.kristidemeester.com](https://www.kristidemeester.com)



**Kate Maruyama** author of *Halloween Beyond*  
Halloween Beyond's inscrutable clerk finds Lex exactly the right costume which somehow makes people see the nonbinary Lex for who they really are. Lex's father, Beto adds an enormous animatronic Death on a boat to the collection in his elaborate front yard haunt, and Halloween night takes a deadly turn.

<https://katermaruyama.wixsite.com/writer>



In addition to the authors who read today, please check out the organizers of the  
**Strong Women•Strange Worlds Group Author Reading Series**



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**Ef Deal** has been writing speculative fiction for over fifty years. Her short story "Czesko" received honorable mention in *Gardner Dozois' Year's Best Science Fiction and Fantasy*. She is Assistant Fiction Editor at *Abyss&Apex Magazine*. Her first novel is *Esprit de Corpse*. [www.efdeal.net](http://www.efdeal.net)



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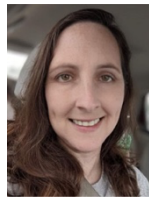
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**Elaine Pascale** is the author of *The Blood Lights; If Nothing Else, Eve, We've Enjoyed the Fruit;* and *The Thin Contract*. She is also the editor of *Dancing in the Shadows: A Tribute to Anne Rice*. Her writing can also be found in numerous anthologies and magazines. <https://www.elainepascale.com>



**Kate Pope** is the "token non-author" on the organizing committee. She is a reader extraordinaire, and a tie-dye artist.

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