

Strong Women Strange Worlds

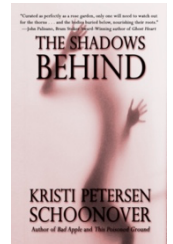
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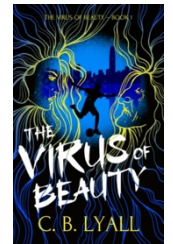
Kristi Petersen Schoonover author of *The Shadows Behind*
In this disturbing collection, a hungry volcano demands more and a talking piranha predicts the future. A plastic Easter bunny taunts a struggling husband, kudzu devours a sleeping town, and seagull bones whisper long-buried secrets. These monsters are simply stand-ins for those we face every day: waiting, and unconquerable.

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C B Lyall author of *The Virus of Beauty*
Ugliness is power, and the Virus of Beauty is spreading, causing panic throughout the witch population. A teenager afraid of using magic holds the key to the antidote.

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CM Harris author of *She Never Left*
To save their writing careers, Jane and TJ embark on a trip to their remote hometown to mine it for creative inspiration. But it all goes sideways when they confront their dark past, Jane's stalker, and their mysterious connection to a quickly evolving underground organism.

<https://authorcmharris.com>



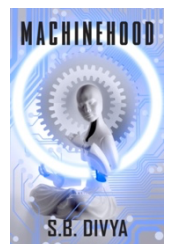
Tenea D. Johnson author of *Broken Fevers* and *Frequencies: A Fiction Album*
From humor to horror, the stories in *Broken Fevers* have a gleaming edge. They pull one through the light, if only for a moment, to visit the next vista; a new world, or this one are cast in an uncertain future. *Frequencies: a Fiction Album* is better heard than described. <http://teneadjohnson.com>



Gillian Polack author of *The Green Children Help Out*
A strange romp through folklore and superheroes told through the lens of science-fiction, fantasy, and Judaism. More information: <https://madnessheart.press/product/the-green-children-help-out/?v=6cc98ba2045f> Patreon gives background, research and even recipes for my fiction: <https://www.patreon.com/GillianPolack> <https://gillianpolack.com/>



S.B. Divya author of *Machinehood*
"This stunning near-future thriller tackles issues of economic inequality, workers' rights, privacy, and the nature of intelligence. Crack worldbuilding and vivid characters make for a memorable, page-turning adventure, while the thematic inquiries into human and AI labor rights offer plenty to chew on for fans of big idea sci-fi." - Publishers Weekly (starred review) sbdivya.com



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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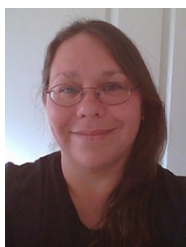
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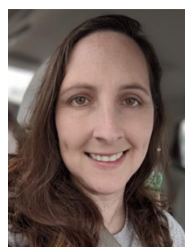
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