

# Strong Women Strange Worlds

## First Friday QuickReads, June 2, 2023

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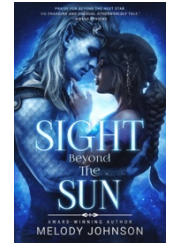


**Patricia Miller** author of “Picture Perfect”

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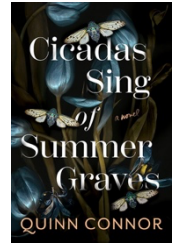


**Melody Johnson** author of *Sight Beyond the Sun* (Love Beyond, Book 2) He abducts her from Earth while undercover against his tyrannical king. She pretends to know the traitor under his command to commandeer his ship. But as Kinsley and Raveno each attempt to save their own people, nothing is as it seems... including their feelings for one another. <https://amzn.to/3S5MycN>  
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**Natalie Wright** author of *Season of the Dragon*

Quen wasn’t born to save the world. She was created to destroy it. When a dragon destroys Quen’s life, she joins a vigilante band of rogues and mages hunting the beast. But she soon discovers she’s the one being hunted as factions vie for control of her growing power. <http://www.NatalieWrightAuthor.com>



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As a child forced to witness her father’s crimes, homicide Detective Raven Burns dedicates every waking moment to proving that she is not her father’s child. But when she shoots a suspect who has what turns out to be an unloaded weapon, Raven finds that she must confront both the demons of her past and the stains on her soul in order to stop a killer. <https://www.fayesnowden.com/>



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When Jaya Mill’s parents were killed and her brother was kidnapped, she saw only one future for herself: enlist in the Union Starfleet and learn to defend herself. But when she’s tasked with investigating a new terrorist organization, what she discovers will challenge everything she knows. [www.caseybergerbooks.com](http://www.caseybergerbooks.com)



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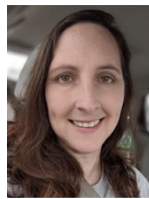
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