

Strong Women Strange Worlds

Third Thursday QuickReads, July 21, 2022

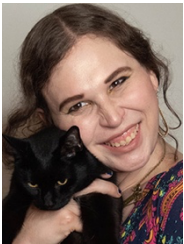
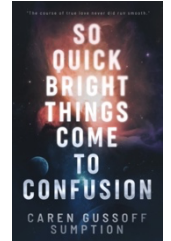
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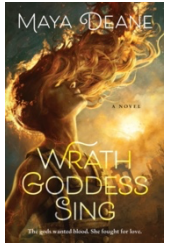
Marissa Lingen author of "Say It With Mastadons"
A short story that originally appeared in *Nature Futures*.
<https://www.nature.com/articles/d41586-018-07338-5>
www.marissalingen.com



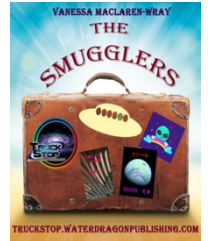
Caren Gussoff Sumption author of
So Quick Bright Things Come To Confusion
When exo-geologist James Blackthorne volunteers to survey a newly-discovered planet, he falls for Aveliin, an indigenous Zil receiving an experimental drug designed to align the species' sleep cycles with human ones. But "the course of true love never did run smooth." Especially when it "was different in blood."
<https://spitkitten.com/>



Maya Deane author of *Wrath Goddess Sing*
The story of Achilles as you've never seen her before: a daughter, a warrior, a demigoddess, a trans woman, a mother, the last and most brilliant heroine of the cosmopolitan, doomed Bronze Age world.
mayadeane.com



Vanessa MacLaren-Wray author of *The Smugglers*
All Boy and Mother want to do is deliver their merchandise—a rare, dangerous, creature from their proscribed homeworld. They're safe in their human disguises. For now. But Security is watching, and Boy is feeling...different today. If just one thing goes wrong...
<https://truckstop.waterdragonpublishing.com/product/smugglers/>
https://linktr.ee/Vanessa_MacLarenWray



Lisa Stringfellow author of *A Comb of Wishes*
Twelve-year old Kela is grieving her mother's recent death when she stumbles on an ancient box in a coral cave. Inside is a beautiful hair comb and touching it opens a magical connection to a dangerous mermaid named Ophidia. The mermaid offers Kela a wish in exchange for her comb's return, so Kela wishes the impossible...for her mother to come back.
<http://lisastringfellow.com>



Mia V. Moss author of *Mai Tais for the Lost*
As Electric Blue Moon habitat's only licensed private investigator, Marrow Nightingale is a professional pain in the ass. But when the dead playboy in the foyer turns out to be her brother, Marrow has one chance to catch the killer before the Nightingale Electric Detective Agency is sunk for good.
magicrobotcarnival.com
<https://www.underlandpress.com/maitais.php>



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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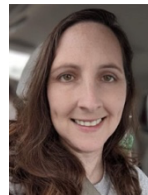
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