

# Strong Women Strange Worlds

## BIRTHDAY BASH, March 16-18, 2023

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### Featured Authors, Alphabetically



**Claudia Blood** blends her science and IT background with a life-long passion for Dungeons and Dragons to pen both Sci-fi and fantasy novels that win awards.  
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**Terri Bruce** writes hard-to-classify fantasy and science fiction stories that explore the supernatural side of everyday things. She is the author of the paranormal/contemporary fantasy Afterlife series, the speculative fiction short story collection *SOULS*, and numerous short stories in various anthologies and magazines.  
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**Morgan Chalut** has been writing since she learned that anyone was allowed to do it! It didn't slow down her talking at all, but at least gave her family a break now and then. She hopes to continue to discover characters and worlds she can plot and explore and share.  
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**M. Dalto** is a bestselling New Adult romantic fantasy author, having been self-published, traditionally, and more recently, digitally exclusive to Wattpad. When not writing, she enjoys reading fantasy novels, playing video games, and drinking coffee. She lives in Massachusetts with her husband, daughter, and their corgi Loki.  
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**Elizabeth Davis** is a second generation writer living in Dayton, Ohio. They live there with their spouse and two cats - neither of which have been lost to ravenous corn mazes or sleeping serpent gods. They can be found at [deadfishbooks.com](http://deadfishbooks.com) when they aren't busy creating beautiful nightmares and bizarre adventures.

[Deadfishbooks.com](http://Deadfishbooks.com)



**Penelope Flynn** writes and illustrates adult-targeted horror, suspense, science fiction and fantasy. Her works have been in several anthologies and the third book of her *Chronicles of Renfields* series launched in September 2021. She moderates the podcast *Discussions From the Otherhood* and heads *Ambitious Hybrid Multimedia* and *Prolific Hybrid Multimedia*.

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**JF Garrard** is an award-winning speculative fiction writer, editor and publisher. She is the President of Dark Helix Press, Co-President for the Canadian Authors Association's Toronto Branch, and Deputy Editor for *Ricepaper Magazine*.

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**Rebecca Gomez Farrell**'s epic fantasy duology, *Wings Unseen* and *Wings Unfurled*, is published by Meerkat Press. Her short works have appeared over 30 times in magazines, websites, and anthologies such as *Beneath Ceaseless Skies*, *It Calls From the Sky*, *PULP Literature*, and *A Quiet Afternoon 1 & 2*.

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**KC Grifant** is an author based in Southern California who writes internationally published horror, fantasy, science fiction and weird west stories. In addition to her debut novel, *Melinda West: Monster Gunslinger* (Brigids Gate Press), her stories have appeared in dozens of anthologies, magazines and podcasts.

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**Dani Hoots** is a young adult sci-fi and fantasy author and likes to be inspired by ancient tales. She enjoys reading about history, astronomy, and plants, and in her spare time she is either watching anime, reading manga, or drawing.

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**Missy Jane** is the alter ego of a married mother of four who was born and raised in Texas. She spends most of her time lost in worlds of her own making, alternately loving and hating such creatures as vampires, shape-shifters, Archangels, and gargoyles (to name a few).

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**Sam Ledel** is originally from Dallas-Fort Worth, but now resides in Denver, Colorado. When not writing, she may be found watching way too many movies or trying to work through her never ending to-be-read pile. She's currently working on her next novel.  
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**Vanessa MacLaren-Wray** writes science fiction and fantasy exploring the challenges of communication and attachment in a diverse, complex universe. She's the author of the Patchwork Universe series, including *All That Was Asked*, "The True Son," and the upcoming duology *Shadows of Insurrection* and *Flames of Attrition*.  
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**Carole Ann Moleti** lives in New York City, thus explaining her fascination with all things paranormal and urban fantasy. Her nonfiction focuses on health care, politics, and women's issues. But her first love is writing science fiction and fantasy because walking through walls is less painful than running into them.  
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**Jessica Nettles** is from Powder Springs, Georgia. Her first novel is *Children of Menlo Park*. You can find her stories in *Off the Beaten Path 4*, *Georgia Gothic*, and *A Woman Unbecoming*. Twitter(@steampunkengl), Instagram (steampunkenglish), Facebook (Jessica Nettles Books)  
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**Anne E.G. Nydam** has been creating imaginary worlds since she could hold a crayon, and has written and illustrated poems, short stories, and books for all ages. She makes relief block prints celebrating the wonders of worlds both real and imaginary, and writes about adventure, magic, and looking for joy. Her most recent book is *On the Virtues of Beasts of the Realms of Imagination*, and she has a short story coming out in *Fantasy Magazine* in May. [nydamprints.com](http://nydamprints.com)



**Dr. Gillian Polack** is an award-winning Australian speculative fiction writer. She was awarded the 2020 A. Bertram Chandler Award for lifetime achievement in science fiction. Her most recent novel is *The Green Children Help Out*. Her novels are science fiction and fantasy, which is odd, for she is an ethnohistorian.  
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**Sumiko Saulson** is an award-winning author of Afrosurrealist and multicultural sci-fi and horror. Author of the LOHR Reader's Choice Award-winning collection *Within Me Without Me* (Dooky Zines), and the novel *Happiness and Other Diseases* (Mocha Memoirs Press). Recipient of the Afrosurrealist Writers Award (2018), and HWA Richard Layman Presidents Award (2021).  
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