

## Theron Scifi Alien Invasion Romance Hell Squad Book 12

This book is about the bold, beautiful, and faithful heroines of the Greek novels and their mythical models, such as Iphigenia, Phaedra, Penelope, and Helen. The novels manipulate readerly expectations through a complex web of mythical variants and constantly negotiate their adventure and erotic plot with that of traditional myths becoming, thus, part of the imperial mythical revision to which they add the prospect of a happy ending.

An all-new official prequel novel to *Shadowlands*, the next expansion for Blizzard Entertainment's legendary online game *World of Warcraft* "The Horde is nothing!" With those infamous words, Sylvanas Windrunner betrayed and abandoned the Horde she vowed to serve. The Dark Lady and her forces now work in the shadows as both the Horde and Alliance, including her own sister, Alleria, race to uncover her next move. Struggling to shoulder the crushing weight of leadership, King Anduin entrusts the void elf and High Exarch Turalyon to uncover Sylvanas's whereabouts. The Horde now stands at a crossroads. The various factions form a council, leaving the mantle of warchief to rest. Thrall, Lor'themar Theron, Baine Bloodhoof, First Arcanist Thalysstra, and many other familiar faces rise to this new challenge. But the threats are numerous, and the distrust runs too deep. When the council is derailed by a failed assassination attempt on Talanji—the Zandalari queen and a key ally—Thrall and the rest of the Horde leaders are forced into action. They empower the young troll shaman Zekhan, still grieving the loss of Varok Saurfang, with a critical mission to aid Talanji and help uncover the rising threat against her. Meanwhile, Nathanos Blightcaller and Sira Moonwarden have been tasked by the Dark Lady with a terrifying gambit: to kill the troll loa of death himself, Bwonsamdi. As Zekhan and Talanji work to save Bwonsamdi, their journey will be a key turning point in bolstering the Horde against the coming darkness and finding themselves along the way. Failure to save their allies and the trickster god will surely doom them—but through success, they may rediscover what makes the Horde strong. Tad McGreevy has a power that he has never revealed, not even to his life-long best friend, Stevie Scranton. When Tad looks at others, he sees colors. These auras tell Tad whether a person is good or evil. At night, Tad dreams about the evil-doers, reliving their crimes in horrifyingly vivid detail. But Tad doesn't know if the evil acts he witnesses in his nightmares are happening now, are already over, or are going to occur in the future. He has no control over the horrifying visions. He has been told (by his parents) never to speak of his power. All Tad knows is that he wants to protect those he loves. And he wants the bad dreams to stop.

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Hot Hollywood agent Thomas Stein advocates on behalf of the peace-seeking Yherajk race, but finds his considerable negotiating talents challenged by his efforts to win humanity's trust in the ugly, bad-smelling aliens.

Leon Verdat thought he knew all there was to know about building underground tunnels and structures. His civilian contracting business was doing very well and his family was thriving. Then, he got a visit from a mysterious Man in Black and all that changed. He was introduced to the world of black budgets and secret military underground bases; the work of the "shadow government" and the ultra-rich. Now, his life will never be the same again, if he survives... There are a lot more things than he bargained for deep underground, and some of them have been here for a very long time. A sci-fi thriller from David Sloma This is Book 1 in a continuing story. -Book 2 "Oceandeeep" is now available as an ebook and paperback: <http://www.amazon.com/dp/B00HLWCK3A> -Book 3 "Rescueplan" is now available as an ebook and paperback: <http://www.amazon.com/dp/B00MQ99D2O>

-Book 4 "Moonbase" is now available as an ebook and paperback: <http://www.amazon.com/dp/B00MTHYR8I> D.U.M.B.s (Deep Underground Military Bases) Ebook Boxed Set - All 4 novels: <http://www.amazon.com/dp/B00R1A1V4G> -- The inspiration behind this book series? Many late nights listening to Coast to Coast AM, since the early days of Art Bell, where he'd have many guests on that talked about aliens and underground secret bases (mostly in the southwest USA desert, like Area 51, but also bases all over the world), like Whitley Strieber, Richard Dolan, Roger Lear, Richard Sauder, and more. Guests spoke about real life bases; some about fictional stories and some spoke about both. These books take a sampling of the facts that have been made public about D.U.M.B.s and adds some imaginative speculation to create a brand new, wild fictional ride! Published by Web of Life Solutions [www.weboflifesolutions.com](http://www.weboflifesolutions.com)

Sienna Rossi has always been a mix of contradictions. She loves ice cream, likes cooking, and is skilled at taking down aliens with her squad. Sweet and tough, soldier and woman, most people can't seem to make sense of her...even the loving family she lost in the invasion and especially men. One man accepts her as she is, her best friend Theron. But the big, silent, muscled soldier has her firmly in the 'friends' zone...except that Sienna knows he wants her, and she's determined to claim the stubborn man as hers. Theron Wade lives to fight aliens. They killed his parents, his foster siblings, and his fellow Rangers. Now he has a new team-the tough, mostly-female Squad Nine. But one certain female haunts his dreams and stars in his darkest fantasies. Sienna is his sunshine in the darkness. He wants her to be happy...and he knows that would never be with a man like him. A man with darker, rougher tastes that would shock her. As Squad Nine works to track and destroy a dangerous alien device, best friends collide. Theron introduces Sienna to a world of rough, edgy passion that she craves. But as a mission goes off track, the two of them will risk everything for love, for their lives, and to save the world.

Brian Michael Bendis' complete saga between two covers! It begins with a brutal battle between the New Avengers and the Hand -one that claims the life of Elektra and reveals that she was a Skrull! What does this mean for Tony Stark

and his Mighty Avengers? How about the Illuminati? Soon, the whole Marvel Universe will be asking: who do you trust? As the Secret Invasion stands revealed and the Skrulls attack Earth, which heroes will be exposed as alien impostors? Can the Secret Warriors turn the tide? And can anyone stop the Skrull queen Veranke?! Plus, Bendis and a murderers' row of artistic talents reveal how your favorite Avengers were secretly replaced! COLLECTING: SECRET INVASION 1-8, PROLOGUE; NEW AVENGERS (2004) 31-32, 39-49; MIGHTY AVENGERS (2007) 7, 12-20; NEW AVENGERS: ILLUMINATI (2007) 1, 5

Johji Manabe's landmark science-fantasy epic comes to a world-shattering climax as the alien princess, Kahm, finally confronts her father, the omnipotent emperor of the Santovasku Empire. Kahm's devotion to her earthling lover, Tetsuya, cannot be sundered, but is her love enough to stand against the terrifying power of her enraged father? And should Kahm triumph, could she unleash forces that may lay waste to her homeworld, the Imperial Planet of the Santovasku? Also included in this volume are the rare Outlanders Epilogue and the Outlanders Special: Battia's Bane.

It's the 2070s, and mankind has conquered space, making interplanetary travel possible and igniting the imaginations of the world. It's also vastly increased the amount of dangerous space debris, and someone has to clean it up. Hachimaki, Yuri, and Fee are a crew on that beat, each with their own goals, tendencies, and personal problems: Hachimaki dreams of deep-space exploration in his own ship, Yuri is still recovering from the death of his wife in an accident caused by orbiting debris, and Fee is secretive, but there's a lot going on under the surface! Just trying to do their jobs in an age of space-age environmental concerns and new vistas of exploration, the crew deals with Hachi's fear of isolation hampering his hopes of joining an upcoming Jupiter mission, keep an eye on the wreckage for signs of Yuri's lost wife, and become unwitting heroes when the only place Fee can still smoke is threatened by terrorists! Dark Horse Manga is proud to present Makoto Yukimura's award-winning hard sci-fi epic Planetes in two omnibus-sized editions, complete with bonus color pages never before seen in America!

"Planetes has it all: strong themes, interesting characters, and great art." -Anime Fringe

Part 1 Once, the Zilonia Kingdom lived in harmony, love, and prosperity. Just when an ancient legend predicting the birth of two sets of royal twins and the creation of an absolute magical power is on the brink of coming true, evil King Grinage swoops in and conquers their land. The noble twins were separated to ensure their safety. Their parents, the King and the Queen, were locked up in a hidden cave while Grinage turned Zilonia into his own private playground, stealing magic and transforming people into fountains for his secret agenda. Jack and Lisa accidentally discover a hidden portal to a mysterious world on their way to camp. Completely unaware of the adverse consequences, they find themselves transported to a strange new place that turns out to be more connected to them

than the home they left. There they bewilderingly encounter identical twins and their little sister. A deep, dark secret is unveiled. The siblings learn that everything they knew about themselves was a lie. Now, it's up to them and their newfound family to save their parents and the entire Zilonia kingdom—all the while fulfilling a destiny they didn't know they had. Unexpected twists of fate constantly surround the kids and the one person—the evil king's daughter—who has the most to lose will change the course of existence for the Zilonia Kingdom forever. When she's forced to make a difficult decision, will her instincts be right?

Arthur Winter, his wife and daughter move to Rapture with the promise of a better life and more importantly a new start. He intends to work hard and one day be wealthy just like Ryan promises everyone who moves to Rapture. He opens a small business. For a few years things are good, almost idyllic. The good life is shattered when one day his daughter mysteriously vanishes without trace. The police of Rapture don't seem to want to help. So Arthur sets out to find her himself. He is lead down into a seedy underworld that exists below the upmarket faade of Rapture. But can he find her in time?

Harrison Montgomery, the brother of the heroine from the author's beloved novel, *Never Been Kissed*, is a driven man who refuses to be distracted—until he meets a beautiful bartender who just may change his life.

Alone. Caged. Her only freedom will be in death... Captured as a chick, Sula can barely remember life outside her cage. Her tears, feathers and blood have been stolen until she's a pale shadow of the Phoenix she's meant to be. She prays for the sweet release of death, expecting it when her owner's warehouse is attacked. What she doesn't expect is the big male with the midnight eyes who rescues her, taking her home thinking she's a pet bird, or her reaction to his gentle touch and the scent of his dragon. After so many years, can she trust another... and reveal the truth about herself in the process? A dragon on a mission, he'll stop at nothing to destroy the slavers plaguing shifter society... And they don't come more in need than the little bird Damian discovers huddled in a box on his latest mission. A black dragon, he's responsible for the protection of dragonkind and by extension, all shifters, and he hates those who trade in paranormal artefacts with a passion. He's never taken any of them home, but the wide, golden eyes of the little bird hit him on a soul-deep level. The need to care for her and nurse her back to health overwhelm both him and his dragon, a need he doesn't understand until he finds a naked woman in his kitchen. A naked woman with very familiar golden eyes... But Sula's masters haven't given up on the profit she'll bring them and they track her down to Damian's apartment. When they take her, can he get to her in time, or will he lose his fated mate before they have a chance at their happily ever after? Keywords: pheonix, Dragon shifter paranormal romance, pheonix shifter, shifter romance, shifter romance kindle, were dragon. A lone sniper. Eight million targets. An entire city on edge... A mysterious sniper is killing random New York City citizens at the same time every day. Detective Joe Bannon and his partner Hannah Trimble follow the trail of clues down

repeated blind alleys. With citizens fearing to venture outside, the streets of Manhattan have become nearly deserted. When the sniper begins escalating the profile of his targets, higher level government agencies are pulled in. But the shooter always seems to be one step ahead of the law and slips away whenever the authorities get close. As copycat killings begin spreading to other cities across the U.S., the President hatches a dangerous plan to trap the killer. Can Joe and Hannah catch the assassin before he executes the most closely guarded man in history? Catch the excitement - read the reader reviews: "The best thriller I've read in the last 12 months." "Gripping page turner." "Nonstop scary thrill ride." "Couldn't put it down." "The best of the best." "McLeay: A star is born." "A remarkable work." "You need to read this one." Get your pulse pounding today with this unputdownable thriller!

Celebrate one of the earliest science fiction novels by rediscovering Jack Finney's internationally acclaimed *Invasion of the Body Snatchers*—which Stephen King calls a story “to be read and savored for its own satisfactions,” now repackaged with a foreword by #1 New York Times bestselling author, Dean Koontz. On a quiet fall evening in the peaceful town of Mill Valley, California, Dr. Miles Bennell discovers an insidious, horrifying plot. Subtly, almost imperceptibly, alien life-forms are taking over the bodies and minds of his neighbors, friends, family, the woman he loves, and the entire world as he knows it. First published in 1955, this classic science fiction thriller about the ultimate alien invasion and the triumph of the human spirit over an invisible enemy has inspired multiple film adaptations and entertained readers for decades. This repackaged edition features a new cover by Hugo award-winning illustrator, John Picacio and a foreword by New York Times bestselling author, Dean Koontz.

When Ellen Ripley finally returns to Earth, she learns that the planet LV-426—now called Acheron—has been colonized. But LV-426 is where Ripley and the crew of the *Nostromo* found the original Xenomorph—the killing machine known as the Alien. Protected by the Colonial Marines, the colonists seek to terraform the storm-swept planet. Two such residents are Anne and Russell Jordan, seeking a fortune that eluded them on Earth. On Acheron, Anne gives birth to the colony's first newborn. Rebecca Jordan, also known as Newt. The wildcatters discover a vast, decaying spaceship. The horseshoe-shaped vessel is of particular interest to Weyland-Yutani, and may be the answer to their dreams. But what Anne and Russ find on board proves to be the stuff, not of dreams, but of nightmares. Alien TM & © 1979, 2013 Twentieth Century Fox Film Corporation. All Rights Reserved.

As the battle against the invading aliens intensifies, a group of bad boy bikers and mercenaries will stand and fight for humanity's survival... Squad Three berserker Dom Santora has an ugly past he can't forget. Born and raised in the darkness, he spent his life before the alien invasion as a Mafia enforcer. He's found some meaning fighting against the aliens with his fellow berserkers, but he knows his soul is too stained to ever find redemption. And there is no way he'll

ever deserve the quiet beauty of a woman like Arden Carlisle. When the raptors invaded, Arden lost her husband and children in the first horrible, bloody wave of the attack. Since that terrible night, she's survived, but she hasn't been living. Hollowed out by her grief, she's found a way to keep going as the comms officer for Squad Nine. But lately, color has started to seep back into her world, and the person she sees most clearly is the dark, handsome, and lethal Dom. Dom and Arden are two damaged souls who find each other in the darkness. But the Gizzida are putting the final pieces of their endgame into place. The aliens want the Earth and to wipe out the human survivors once and for all. As Dom, Arden, and the berserkers work to find a deadly alien bomb, they uncover the true horror of the aliens' plans. To have any chance at love, life, and survival, Dom and Arden will have to fight harder than ever before.

The New York Times bestselling author of Neon Gods delivers a "deliciously gritty, darkly romantic, drop-dead sexy and thoroughly engrossing" mafia romance. (USA Today, Happy Ever After) Married to the enemy. When Keira O'Malley was a child, she used to picture her perfect wedding. The flowers. The dress. Her husband. But nothing could have prepared her for saying "I do" to Dmitri Romanov-cold, domineering, and always one step ahead of everyone else in the ever-shifting power plays of New York City. She agreed to his bargain to secure peace for her family, and she may want the bastard more than she'd ever admit, but she'll be damned if she'll make this marriage easy for him. Dmitri knows better than to underestimate Keira for one second. Molten desire smolders between them, a dangerous addiction neither can resist. But his enemies are already on the move, and he needs every ounce of his legendary focus and control to keep them alive. Keira could just be his secret weapon-if she doesn't bring him to his knees first. "A tension-filled plot full of deceit, betrayal, and sizzling love scenes will make it impossible for readers to set the book down."  
--Publishers Weekly on Forbidden Promises

In the aftermath of a deadly alien invasion, a band of survivors fights on... Survivors contains three action-packed novellas in the Hell Squad series. Includes: Nate - Long before the aliens invaded, former Marine Nate Caldwell came home a broken man. Going off-grid in a cabin he inherited in Australia's Blue Mountains, he survived the invasion with only his dog Blue for company. For two years, he's avoided the aliens and any survivors - he's done his fighting and can't go into battle again. But when a young woman crashes into his lonely existence, with the aliens hot on her heels, she changes everything... Dak - Captain Dak Vaughn only has room for his job as head of security for Groom Lake Base. His focus has to be on keeping all the survivors alive, and not on the tough, attractive new recruit who gets under his skin. But when a dangerous mission requires them to go deep into alien territory, Dak finds himself up close and personal with a woman who is pure temptation. Alexander - Marine engineer turned base leader, Alexander Erickson, leads a tiny base of survivors in the snowy climes of Norway. Balancing the needs and safety of his group keeps him

busy, and he longs for someone to share the load, someone to call his own. The one independent woman he wants refuses to see him as anything more than a leader and a younger man. But when mysterious alien activity encroaches on their safety, they will join forces to investigate and Alexander might finally have his chance.

An electrifying novel about illness, displacement, and what holds us together, by the author of *Seeing Red* Ella is an astrophysicist struggling with her doctoral thesis in the “country of the present” but she is from the “country of the past,” a place burdened in her memory by both personal and political tragedies. Her partner, El, is a forensic scientist who analyzes the bones of victims of state violence and is recovering from an explosion at a work site that almost killed him. Consumed by writer’s block, Ella finds herself wishing that she would become ill, which would provide time for writing and perhaps an excuse for her lack of progress. Then she begins to experience mysterious symptoms that doctors find undiagnosable. As Ella’s anxiety grows, the past begins to exert a strong gravitational pull, and other members of her family come into focus: the widowed Father, the Stepmother, the Twins, and the Firstborn. Each of them has their own experience of illness and violence, and eventually the systems that both hold them together and atomize them are exposed. Lina Meruane’s *Nervous System* is an extraordinary clinical biography of a family, full of affection and resentment, dark humor and buried secrets, in which illness describes the traumas that can be visited not just upon the body, but on families and on the history of the countries—present and past—that we live in.

Bobiverse fans: a signed limited edition of all three books in a boxed set, signed by the author, is now available on Amazon. Look for *The Bobiverse [Signed Limited Edition]* on Amazon Bob Johansson has just sold his software company and is looking forward to a life of leisure. There are places to go, books to read, and movies to watch. So it's a little unfair when he gets himself killed crossing the street. Bob wakes up a century later to find that corpsicles have been declared to be without rights, and he is now the property of the state. He has been uploaded into computer hardware and is slated to be the controlling AI in an interstellar probe looking for habitable planets. The stakes are high: no less than the first claim to entire worlds. If he declines the honor, he'll be switched off, and they'll try again with someone else. If he accepts, he becomes a prime target. There are at least three other countries trying to get their own probes launched first, and they play dirty. The safest place for Bob is in space, heading away from Earth at top speed. Or so he thinks. Because the universe is full of nasties, and trespassers make them mad - very mad.

In the aftermath of a deadly alien invasion, a band of survivors fights on... In a world gone to hell, Elle Milton-once the darling of the Sydney social scene-has carved a role for herself as the communications officer for the toughest commando team fighting for humanity's survival-Hell Squad. It's her chance to make a difference and make up for horrible past mistakes...despite the fact that

its battle-hardened commander never wanted her on his team. When Hell Squad is tasked with destroying a strategic alien facility, Elle knows they need her skills in the field. But first she must go head to head with Marcus Steele and convince him she won't be a liability. Marcus Steele is a warrior through and through. He fights to protect the innocent and give the human race a chance to survive. And that includes the beautiful, gutsy Elle who twists him up inside with a single look. The last thing he wants is to take her into a warzone, but soon they are thrown together battling both the alien invaders and their overwhelming attraction. And Marcus will learn just how much he'll sacrifice to keep her safe.

Dr. Brooke Spencer always felt different from other girls. Now a successful scientist, she is finally discovering where she belongs: working alongside the brilliant, trailblazing researcher Dr. Charles Samuelson. Dr. Samuelson has recently made a discovery that has eluded philosophers and dreamers for centuries: How to transmute iron into gold. Determined to use the knowledge for good, Dr. Samuelson recruits Brooke to assist him with his new plan, his "Golden Manifesto." But humans are not alone and his discovery has not gone unnoticed. Extraterrestrial visitors seek to control Dr. Samuelson's Breakthrough, and before long, Brooke is all that stands between Earth and total Destruction. Will she be able to hold her ground? Or will the timeless temptation of gold prove too much for even the strongest of spirits? Brooke will soon face a choice that will make her question her background, her career, and the fate of the planet.

Although physical travel between the stars is impossible because of the vast distances involved, communication is instantaneous. There are a couple of different ways to visit alien worlds: veering (using virtual reality to project images), and teeping (using telepresence to control robotic bodies on the other planet). It's even possible to engage in trade, licensing the rights to books, art, inventions, and other intellectual property. Deborah Rabinowitz is a literary broker. She veers to alien worlds and sells the publishing rights to Earth books. But when an alien is murdered right before her eyes, there's no way she can keep from being involved and solving the murder herself. Then, when an old friend is accused of a murder on a different world, Deborah has to become a lawyer and defend her friend before a kangaroo court by solving that murder, too. She takes my breath away; she is so beautifully damaged. Yes, I had broken her, ravished her life and destroyed her happiness. I brought her to the ultimate despair. I was responsible for all the pain and suffering that now brought her to her knees in front of me. Broken. Hopeless. Reckless in her agony. She is a mirror of my own tortured soul. But what I took away I can give back, in ways she cannot even begin to imagine. She is everything right in all my wrongs. She loves me. She needs me. She has no idea I'm the one who wrecked her life.

Warning - this book contains some swearing and has a cliffhanger ending! Blood doesn't just make her who she is...it also makes her what she is. Like being a sixteen-year-old vampire isn't hard enough, Tessa's throwback human genes make her an outcast among her relatives. But try as she might, she can't get a handle on the vampire lifestyle and all the...blood. Turning her back on the vamp world, she embraces the human teenage lifestyle--high school, peer pressure and finding a boyfriend. Jared

manages to stir something in her blood. He's smart and fun and oh, so cute. But Tessa's dream of having the perfect boyfriend turns into a nightmare when vampires attack the movie theatre and kidnap her date. Once again, Tessa finds herself torn between the human world and the vampire one. Will blood own out? Can she make peace with who she is as well as what?

Welcome (interjection) : 1. A word of greeting, as to ones' arrival at a destination. Whitlock (noun) : 1. A subterranean fortress within the base of a mountain, housing slaves for the cruel use of Masters who have purchased them through an auction. For reference, see to the 24690 series as you will get to experience the world first-hand. 27001 Scout 14 notes : Location: New York City Chosen: Charlee Renee Hillis Stats: 21, 5'10", blonde hair and blue eyes. Former model, alcoholic, occasional drug user. Occupation: Waitress at the Dizzy Dagger Objective: Slave for Whitlock ... but first ... let the games begin. 27009 Scout 5 notes : Location: Athens, Greece Chosen: N/A Stats: N/A Occupation: N/A Objective: Hunt down Everleigh Harper-slave 24690. (Try to keep my face.) Bag a surprise on my trip. 27011 Scout 19 notes : Location: WHITLOCK Chosen: N/A Stats: Protect 27011 Occupation: N/A Objective: Survive the White Room. Keep the slave safe and alive, while protecting my real identity.

The Black Vortex, an ancient artifact imbued with immeasurable power, is now in the hands of Mr. Knife! With billions of lives potentially at stake, Peter Quill, the Legendary Star-Lord, is going to have to dust off his thieving gloves. But with Knife's Slaughter Squad protecting him, Peter's probably going to need some help... Collecting: Guardians of the Galaxy & X-Men: The Black Vortex Alpha #1, Guardians of the Galaxy (2014) #24-25, Legendary Star-Lord (2014) #9-11, All-New X-Men #38-39, Guardians Team-Up #2, Nova #28, Cyclops (2014) #12, Captain Marvel (2014) #14, Guardians of the Galaxy & X-Men: The Black Vortex Omega #1

Everyone knows aliens secretly live on Earth. What isn't known is how much they like coffee. Jillian lives a peaceful life amongst the trees and mountains of Northern Idaho. However, she keeps trying to drink her coffee only to find the cup empty. When she discovers who has been drinking her coffee, it takes all her willpower to hold onto her sanity. The revelation leads her on the most exciting adventure of her life. When she learns about emo bunnies and the true purpose of snails, it occurs to her that her sanity may be lost forever. A Colombian drug lord has an alien problem of his own. To make matters worse, the aliens are teenagers. Aliens, coffee, emo bunnies, snails, teenagers and a Colombian drug lord all take part in this humorous sci-fi romp. It's hard to tell which is the worst.

As the battle against the invading aliens intensifies, a group of bad boy bikers and mercenaries will stand and fight for humanity's survival... Squad Three berserker Griff lived through hell long before the alien invasion. Once, he'd been a dedicated cop, but then in a gut-wrenching betrayal, he ended up behind bars in a supermax prison. After the aliens invaded, he managed to escape and join the soldiers fighting back... and came face to face with his best friend's little sister-the bold, vibrant, off-limits woman he's always wanted. Now the beautiful, tattooed Indy is his squad's comms officer... and she hates his guts. Indy Bennett lost her parents and brother in the alien attack, and every day, she vows to suck the marrow out of life. She's also doing her bit in the fight, as Squad Three's comms officer, even if it means seeing the man who broke her young heart. Griff was once her brother's best friend, a boy she adored, but now she knows

she needs to steer clear of the hard-edged man who still draws her like a moth to a flame. Griff vows to claim Indy as his. The only problem is, Indy is having none of it. As their fiery attraction explodes, they find themselves embroiled in the hunt for the aliens' unexplained octagon weapon, and a mysterious survivor town where all is not what it seems. Both Griff and Indy will have to learn to let go of the hurts of the past if they have any chance of not just surviving, but having a future.

Five years after attacking the human-colonized worlds of the Spiral Arm, the hydrogues maintain absolute control over stardrive fuel...and their embargo is strangling human civilization. On Earth, mankind suffers from renewed attacks by the hydrogues and decides to use a cybernetic army to fight them. Yet the Terran leaders don't realize that these military robots have already exterminated their own makers - and may soon turn on humanity. Once the rulers of an expanding empire, humans have become the galaxy's most endangered species. But the sudden appearance of incredible new beings will destroy all balances of power. Now for humans and the myriad alien factions in the universe, the real war is about to begin...and genocide may be the result.

A strikingly original exploration of what it might mean to be authentically human in the age of artificial intelligence, from the author of the critically-acclaimed Interior States. "Meghan O'Gieblyn is a brilliant and humble philosopher, and her book is an explosively thought-provoking, candidly personal ride I wished never to end. . . This book is such an original synthesis of ideas and disclosures. It introduces what will soon be called the O'Gieblyn genre of essay writing." --Heidi Julavits, author of The Folded Clock For most of human history the world was a magical and enchanted place ruled by forces beyond our understanding. The rise of science and Descartes's division of mind from world made materialism our ruling paradigm, in the process asking whether our own consciousness--i.e., souls--might be illusions. Now the inexorable rise of technology, with artificial intelligences that surpass our comprehension and control, and the spread of digital metaphors for self-understanding, the core questions of existence--identity, knowledge, the very nature and purpose of life itself--urgently require rethinking. Meghan O'Gieblyn tackles this challenge with philosophical rigor, intellectual reach, essayistic verve, refreshing originality, and an ironic sense of contradiction. She draws deeply and sometimes humorously from her own personal experience as a formerly religious believer still haunted by questions of faith, and she serves as the best possible guide to navigating the territory we are all entering.

This book gives writers pointers and guidelines on how to improve their action scenes by implementing some of the same kinds of techniques used in film-making. Loaded with new terminology and definitions, an introduction to the basic concepts of an Action Scene, and application of the concepts, this book gives writers the tools to write their own expert-level action scenes! KAPOW! BANG! ZOOM!

Captain Jonathan Hogart's first mission to Frequency One seems to be going well. New crew, new flash ship, and a new race of aliens to make first contact with. But the binary suns start affecting his team in strange ways, the friendly aliens turn out to be not so friendly, and now he finds himself glued to the ground awaiting possible separation if he doesn't hand over flash relocation technology. As the sticky situation gets more and more complicated, and the mushroom bugs reveal further surprises, the alien crew discover that it's not only planet brown and purple that they have to worry about. There is a much greater threat towards the center of the star system. One that none of them would ever have suspected.

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