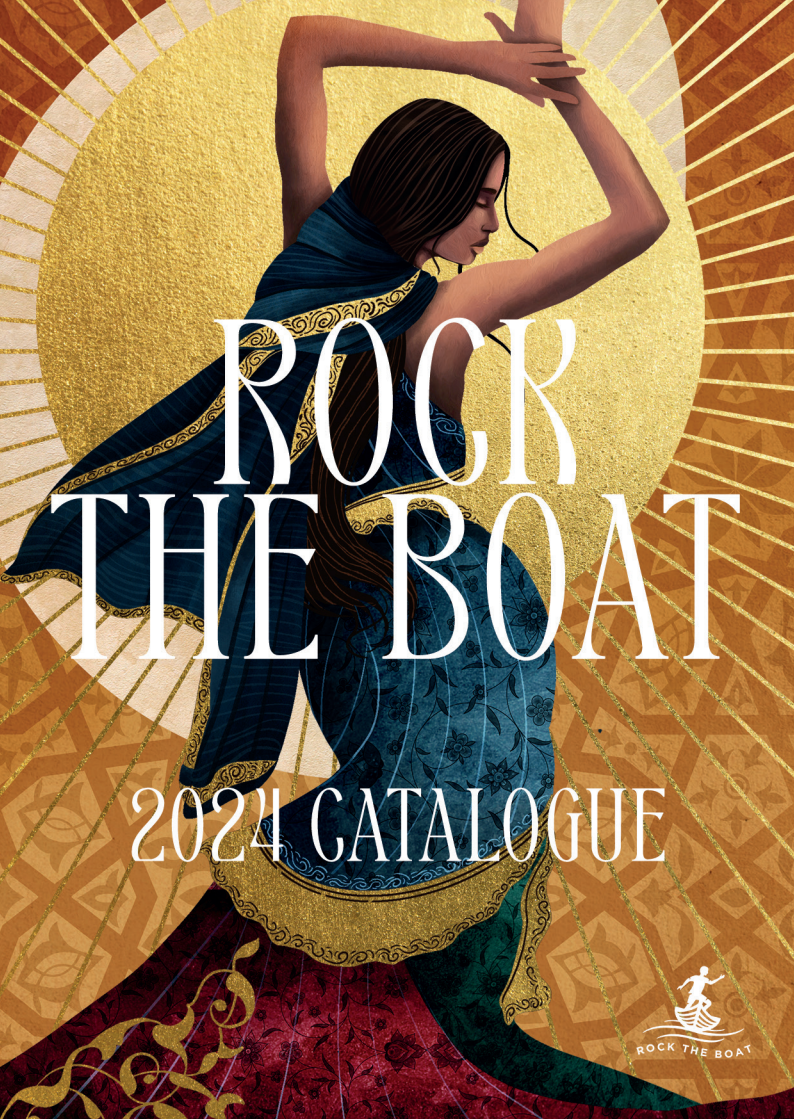




ROCK THE BOAT

2024 CATALOGUE





2023 was another stellar year for Rock the Boat.

We organised more national tours and school visits than ever before, and bloggers, BookTokkers and Bookstagrammers showed so much love for RTB titles! We are forever grateful.

Girl in Pieces by Kathleen Glasgow was the fifth bestselling YA title of 2023 according to Nielsen, and we have a treat in store for her many fans: her new novel, *The Glass Girl*, a stunning and deeply moving story about one girl's troubled relationship with alcohol, comes out in November.

This spring Josh Silver returns with *Dead Happy*, the hotly anticipated sequel to his sensational LGBTQIA+ debut, *HappyHead*, which was an Amazon best YA Book of the Year 2023.

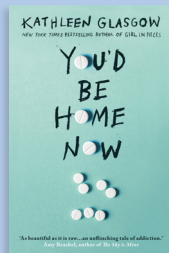
For fantasy fans, we have two fantastic debuts to devour. Step into an opulent, Vietnamese-inspired world in Vanessa Le's darkly thrilling new fantasy, *The Last Bloodcarver*, and wander across the desert (but beware of the dancing assassins!) in Zulekhá A. Afzal's *Dancers of the Dawn*.

Bestselling author Amie Kaufman's epic seafaring adventure concludes in *The Heart of the World* and the road gets darker for Reed in *Warrior of Legend* by Kendare Blake.

A sumptuous picture book about the life and wisdom of Sir David Attenborough is sure to inspire budding environmentalists, and early readers and their grown-ups will love *Blue*, *Barry & Pancakes*, the first in a hilarious and heart-warming graphic novel series.

For middle grade readers, Wilson learns the magic of being different in *The Girl with Wings*, Rani and Nani are back on the case in *Rani Reports on the Copycat Crimes*, and it's time for another spooky adventure for Bess and the gang aboard the Train of Dark Wonders in *The Hunt for the Cursed Unicorn*. Finally, don't miss *The Bletchley Riddle*, an unputdownable, code-cracking mystery set in WWII Britain from Carnegie Medal-winning author Ruta Sepetys and Steve Sheinkin.

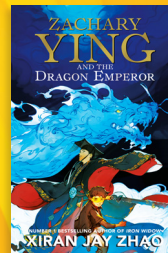
KATHLEEN GLASGOW

**GIRL IN PIECES****Kathleen Glasgow**2016 | 448pp | £8.99 | Paperback |
ISBN: 9781780749457 | Young Adult**600K
COPIES
SOLD!****'A haunting, beautiful and necessary book.'**Nicola Yoon, author of *Everything, Everything***HOW TO MAKE FRIENDS WITH THE DARK****Kathleen Glasgow**2019 | 432pp | £8.99 | Paperback
ISBN: 9781786075642 | Young Adult**'Breathtaking and heartbreaking, and I loved it with all my heart.'**Jennifer Niven, author of *Holding Up the Universe***YOU'D BE HOME NOW****Kathleen Glasgow**2021 | 400pp | £8.99 | Paperback
ISBN: 9781786079695 | Young Adult**'Impossibly moving.'**

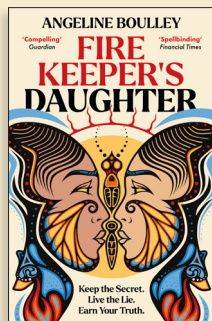
Vanity Fair

SEE PAGE 12 FOR MORE FROM KATHLEEN GLASGOW IN 2024

XIRAN JAY ZHAO

**IRON WIDOW****Xiran Jay Zhao**2022 | 416pp | £9.99 | Paperback
ISBN: 9780861542116 | Young Adult**Chinese history and mecha sci-fi combine in this dazzling No. 1 Bestseller****'Raging against the patriarchy in spectacular style.'** *Observer***INSTANT
#1 BEST
SELLER****HEAVENLY TYRANT****Xiran Jay Zhao**2024 | £16.99 | 400pp | Hardback
ISBN: 9780861544233 | Young Adult**The highly anticipated sequel to *Iron Widow*, available December****ZACHARY YING AND THE DRAGON EMPEROR****Xiran Jay Zhao**2022 | £7.99 | 352pp | Paperback
ISBN: 9780861545483 | Middle Grade**Percy Jackson meets Yu-Gi-Oh! in this hilarious, action-packed fantasy adventure.****'Fast-paced, furiously funny and utterly fantastic.'**A.F. Steadman, author of *Skandar and the Unicorn Thief*

ANGELINE BOULLEY

**FIREKEEPER'S DAUGHTER**

Angeline Boulley

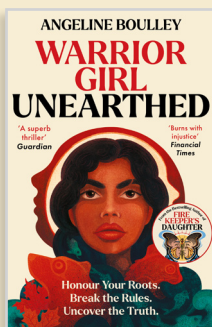
2022 | £8.99 | 496pp | Paperback | ISBN: 9781786079060

Keep the Secret. Live the Lie. Earn your Truth.

Ground-breaking no. 1 New York Times bestseller about a Native American teen who must root out the corruption in her community.

'Both an interrogation of racist misogyny and a swift-paced, compelling thriller.' *Guardian*

**Winner of the Goodreads Choice Award for YA
Winner of the CrimeFest Best YA Fiction Prize
Shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Prize**

**WARRIOR GIRL UNEARTHED**

Angeline Boulley

2023 | £14.99 | 400pp | Hardback | ISBN: 9780861544196

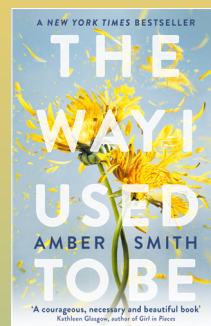
The highly anticipated second novel from the bestselling author of *Firekeeper's Daughter*

'A page-turning heist grounded in a nuanced exploration of critical issues of cultural integrity.' *Kirkus Starred Review*

**A Waterstones Best YA Book of 2023
A Financial Times Best YA Summer Book 2023**

**Paperback coming May 2024
ISBN: 9780861544226 | £8.99**

AMBER SMITH

**THE WAY I USED TO BE**
Amber Smith

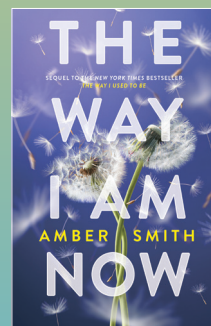
2022 | £8.99 | 384pp | Paperback | ISBN: 9780861546732

The extraordinary YA TikTok sensation about learning to survive unthinkable trauma from bestselling author, Amber Smith

'A courageous, necessary, and beautiful book.'
Kathleen Glasgow, author of *Girl in Pieces*

'A raw novel that'll stay with you long after you finish.' *Buzzfeed*

'A reminder of the power we find within ourselves to overcome and survive.' Amy Beashel, author of *We Are All Constellations*

**100
COPIES
SOLD!****THE WAY I AM NOW**
Amber Smith

2023 | £8.99 | 432pp | Paperback | ISBN: 9780861546824

The highly anticipated sequel to the internationally bestselling TikTok sensation *The Way I Used To Be*

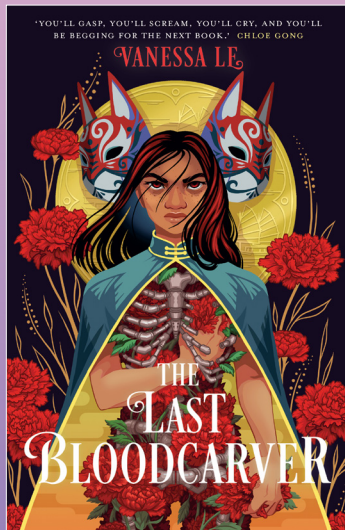
'An absolute stunner of a sequel.'
Laurie Elizabeth Flynn, author of *The Girls Are All So Nice Here*

'I could not put it down - a moving and powerful portrayal of trauma, love, and hope.'
Alyssa Sheinmel, author of *A Danger to Herself and Others*

The Last Bloodcarver

Vanessa Le

YOUNG ADULT
March 2024



March | 384 pp | £8.99 | Paperback | ISBN: 9780861547968 | 12+

A darkly thrilling new fantasy duology set in a lush Vietnamese-inspired world.

'You'll gasp, you'll scream, you'll cry, and you'll be begging for the next book.'

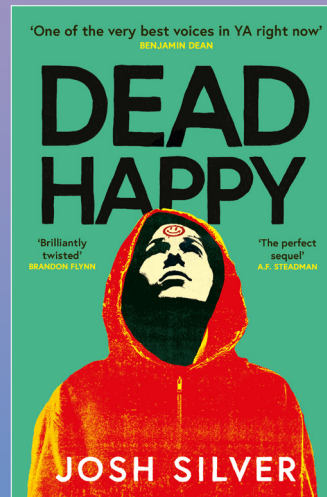
Chloe Gong, New York Times bestselling author of These Violent Delights

'The perfect blend of sci-fi, fantasy, and romance.'
Axie Oh, author of The Girl Who Fell Beneath the Sea

Dead Happy

Josh Silver

YOUNG ADULT
May 2024



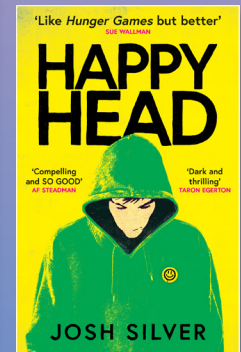
May | 416 pp | £8.99 | Paperback | ISBN: 9780861547821 | 13+

The nail-biting sequel to *HappyHead*.

'Even more tense, brutal and thrilling than its predecessor.'
Benjamin Dean, author of How to Die Famous

'Cinematic, fearless and full of heart.'
Laura Dockrill, author of Big Bones

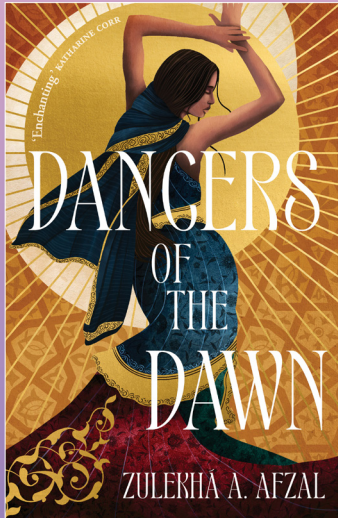
'Absolutely unforgettable.'
Ravena Guron, author of This Book Kills



Dancers of the Dawn

Zulekhá A. Afzal

YOUNG ADULT
June 2024



June | 320pp | £16.99 | Hardback | ISBN: 9780861545070 | 13+

The opener to a stunning YA romantasy series filled with enchanting magic and shocking betrayals.

'Full of twists and turns... A truly gripping read from start to finish.'

Ann Sei Lin, author of *Rebel Skies*

'A sweeping adventure... Vivid descriptions of dances and magic make the world bloom.'

Kendare Blake, author of *Champion of Fate*

The Heart of the World

Amie Kaufman

YOUNG ADULT
July 2024



July | 432pp | £16.99 | Hardback | ISBN: 9780861547906 | 12+

Magic and sacrifice collide as lovers and gods, enemies and allies vie for the fate of the world in the heart-pounding sequel to *The Isles of the Gods*.

Praise for *The Isles of the Gods*:

'Deserves to be a classic.'

Marie Lu, author of the *Legend* series

'The sea beckons and destiny calls – don't miss this one!'

Alexandra Bracken, author of *LORE*



**PAPERBACK
COMING IN
MARCH 2024**

Warrior of Legend

Kendare Blake

YOUNG ADULT
September 2024



September | 480pp | £9.99 | Paperback | ISBN: 9780861548941 | 14+

The conclusion to *New York Times* #1 bestselling author Kendare Blake's epic duology.

Praise for *Champion of Fate*:

'Cements Kendare Blake as one of the best fantasy authors writing today.'

Erin A. Craig, author of *House of Salt and Sorrows*

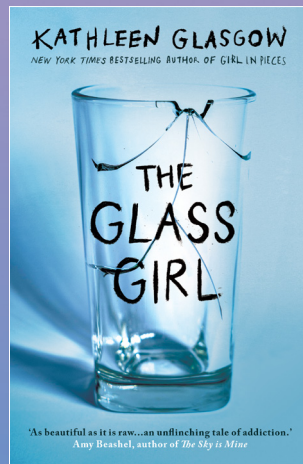
'I would follow Kendare Blake into any world she creates.'

Amie Kaufman, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Isles of the Gods*

The Glass Girl

Kathleen Glasgow

YOUNG ADULT
November 2024



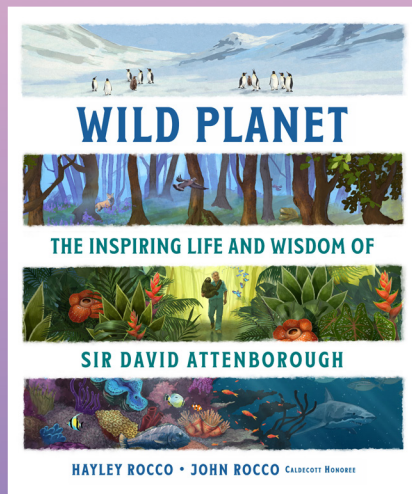
November | 464pp | £8.99 | Paperback | ISBN: 9780861544271 | 14+

The story of a teenage girl on the brink, and the bumpy road back to recovery.

There is one thing in Bella's life that dulls the pressure. Alcohol. What's the big deal? Everyone drinks. But one night changes everything. With no memory of what happened except a viral video and a fractured cheekbone, it's time to face reality. And for Bella, reality means going to rehab.

Wild Planet

The Inspiring Life and Wisdom of Sir David Attenborough
Hayley & John Rocco



June | 46pp | £7.99 | Paperback | ISBN: 9780861548972 | 5-8

An inspiring picture book biography of broadcaster and biologist Sir David Attenborough, and an urgent call for us to protect our planet.

‘Mesmerizing... Belongs in the library of any child who finds joy in the natural world. Dazzling.’

Shelf Awareness

‘For fledgling conservationists and climate activists... An inspiring overview of a life dedicated to essential eco-causes.’

Kirkus

The Girl with Wings

Jaco Jacobs



August | 160pp | £7.99 | Paperback | ISBN: 9780861548224 | 8-12

An enchanting and beautifully illustrated middle-grade fantasy adventure from South Africa’s most renowned children’s author, Jaco Jacobs.

Praise for **A Good Day for Climbing Trees:**

‘An inspiring story, and a really funny one too.’
Spectator (Books of the Year)

‘Quirky, charming and very funny, but with a real emotional punch.’

Anthony McGowan, author of Dogs of the Deadlands

MIDDLE GRADE
September 2024

Rani Reports on the Copycat Crimes

Gabrielle & Satish Shewhorak, illustrated by Navya Raju



FINAL
COVER
TO BE
REVEALED

TIMES
BOOK
OF THE
YEAR

September | 288pp | £7.99 | Paperback | ISBN: 9780861547920 | 7-12

Rani and Nani are back and ready for action in the second book in the Rani Reports series for fans of *Anisha, Accidental Detective*.

Praise for *Rani Reports on the Missing Millions*:

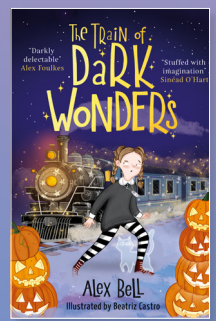
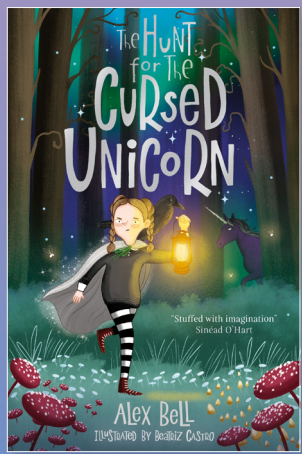
'The perfect middle-grade adventure.'
The Times

'News flash! *Rani Reports* is a total delight!
Full of intrigue, humour and heart.'
Abi Elphinstone, author of The Dreamsnatcher trilogy

The Hunt for the Cursed Unicorn

Alex Bell, illustrated by Beatriz Castro

MIDDLE GRADE
October 2024



October | 320pp | £7.99 | Paperback | ISBN: 9780861546008 | 8-12

All aboard *The Train of Dark Wonders*! The second book in the magical must-read middle-grade series.

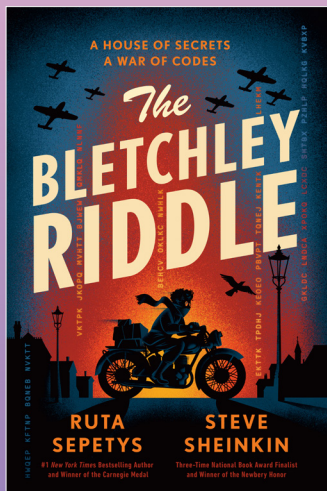
Praise for *The Train of Dark Wonders*:

'Stuffed with imagination.'
Sinéad O'Hart, author of The Eye of the North

'Darkly delectable and bursting with imagination.'
Alex Foulkes, author of the Rules for Vampires series

The Bletchley Riddle

Ruta Sepetys & Steve Sheinkin



October | 336pp | £7.99 | Paperback | ISBN: 9780861549023 | 9+

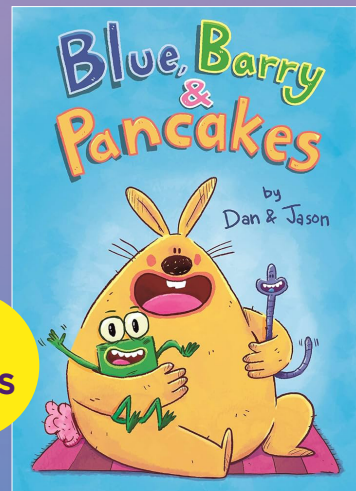
A thrilling middle-grade historical adventure from bestselling authors Ruta Sepetys and Steve Sheinkin. In the summer of 1940, maths whizz Jakob Novis must crack the Nazi's Engima cipher at Bletchley Park, whilst his younger sister Lizzie attempts to solve the mysterious disappearance of their mother.

Could the riddles of Enigma and their mother's disappearance be connected somehow?

FROM THE
CARNEGIE
MEDAL
WINNER

Blue, Barry & Pancakes

Dan Abdo & Jason Patterson



November | 96pp | £7.99 | Paperback | ISBN: 9780861549047 | 4-8

NEW
SERIES

The first in a hilarious and heartwarming graphic novel series for younger readers from the creators of the bestselling *Barb*.

'Energetic and cinematic.'
Publishers Weekly

'Loaded with absurdity and laughs... happily the first of many escapades.'
Booklist



MIDDLE GRADE
October 2024

GRAPHIC NOVEL
November 2024

Backlist

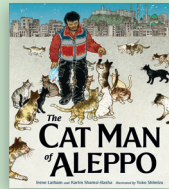
PICTURE BOOKS



£7.99
9781786075512



£7.99
9781786077370



£12.99
9781786077509

YOUNGER READERS



£5.99
9781786078124



£5.99
9781786078988



£5.99
9780861542369



£6.99
9780861543427



£5.99
9780861543380



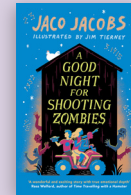
£5.99
9780861542550

Backlist

MIDDLE GRADE



£6.99
9781786075666



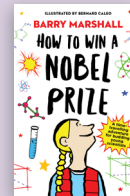
£7.99/£12.95
9781786074508



£7.99/£11.99
9781786073174



£7.99
9780861542055



£7.99
9781786075246



£7.99
9780861544950



£6.99
9781786074621



£7.99
9780861540679



£9.99/£13.95
9780861545728



£7.99
9780861546398



£7.99
9780861542963



£7.99
9781786075833

Backlist

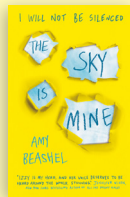
YOUNG ADULT



£7.99
9781786079121



£7.99
9781786072290



£7.99/\$11.99
9781786075550



£8.99/\$12.99
9780861540655



£8.99
9780861543496



£8.99
9780861546947



£8.99
9780861544776



£8.99
9780861545698



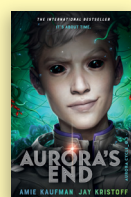
£8.99
9780861547388



£8.99
9781786077004



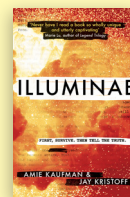
£8.99
9781786078827



£8.99
9780861543670

Backlist

YOUNG ADULT



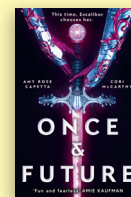
£9.99
9781780748375



£9.99
9781780749815



£11.99
9781780749839



£9.99
9781786076540



£8.99
9781786077011



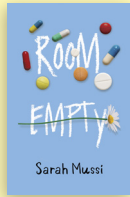
£7.99
9781786074232



£8.99
9781786074522



£8.99
9781786076786



£7.99
9781780749747



£7.99/\$12.99
9781786072108



£7.99/\$12.99
9781786070944



£7.99/\$12.99
9781780749396

WINNER OF THE INDEPENDENT
PUBLISHER OF THE YEAR 2023

SHORTLISTED FOR IMPRINT OF
THE YEAR 2023

SHORTLISTED FOR IPG CHILDREN'S
PUBLISHER OF THE YEAR 2023

ROCKTHEBOATBOOKS.COM

  @ROCKTHEBOATNEWS

 @ONEWORLDPUBLICATIONS

