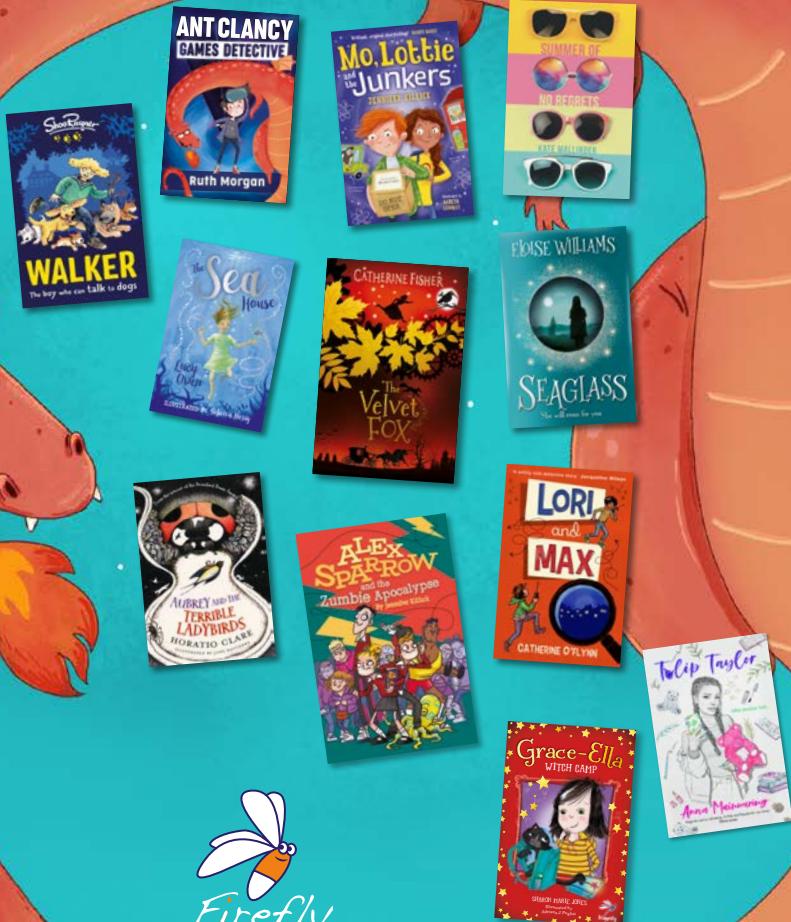
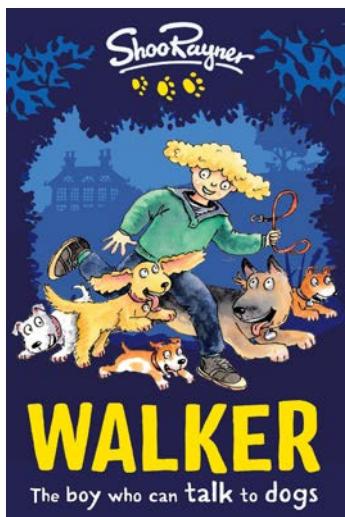


# Firefly Press Catalogue

Children's and YA publisher





## Walker

Written and illustrated by Shoo Rayner

March 2019 ■ £6.99 ■ 160pp ■ 7-10 fiction

978-1-910080-90-0 (paperback) ■ 978-1-910080-91-7 (ebook)

World rights c/o Firefly Press

All Walker wants is a dog, but his mother is allergic to them. So he decides to set up his own business walking everyone else's. This works better than he could have imagined when he finds he can talk to his canine friends. He's a dog whisperer!

But the dogs lead Walker to a terrible puppy farm hidden in the woods by Arlington Wherewithall, a local TV star and owner of a pet food company. Walker knows nobody will believe him, so it is down to him and the dogs to stop the farm and save the puppies.



Shoo Rayner began his career as an illustrator in a garden shed near Machynlleth. He drew for Michael Morpurgo and Rose Impey, but editors kept encouraging him to write. Many years, and over 200 books later, Shoo, well known for his many fast-paced series for newly confident readers, has over 268,000 subscribers on his two YouTube 'how to draw' channels and is a regular at live events across the UK.

## The Dragon Trilogy

Shoo Rayner

World rights c/o Firefly Press

In this much-loved series inspired by Arthurian legend, Harri makes his own dragon for a school project, and begins an extraordinary adventure.

### Dragon Gold

2014 ■ £5.99 ■ 160pp ■ 7-9 fiction

978-1-910080-04-7 (paperback) ■ 978-1-910080-05-4 (ebook)



### Dragon White

2015 ■ £5.99 ■ 124pp ■ 7-9 fiction

978-1-910080-30-6 (paperback) ■ 978-1-910080-31-3 (ebook)



### Dragon Red

March 2017 ■ £5.99 ■ 144pp ■ 7-9 fiction

978-1-910080-48-1 (paperback) ■ 978-1-910080-49-8 (ebook)



April &  
Sept 2019

## Alex Sparrow and the Zumbie Apocalypse

Jennifer Killick

September 2019 ■ £6.99 ■ 286pp ■ 8-12 fiction

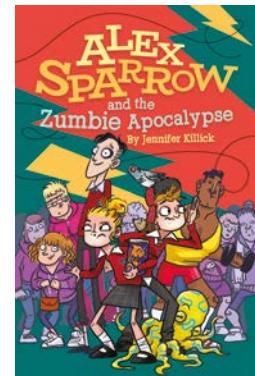
978-1-913102-04-3 (paperback) ■ 978-1-913102-05-0 (ebook)

World rights c/o Firefly Press

Third in the acclaimed Alex Sparrow series, this hilarious Christmas middle-grade story sees the 'Zumbies' on the loose in Cherry Tree Lane. Members of the local zumba class, which includes Alex's mum and nan, are apparently dying and then mysteriously coming back to life! Alex, Jess and Dave have to put a stop to it before Alex's family join the living zumbie dead and ruin Christmas.

But why are the Zumbies curiously drawn to the Christmas lights? What does the octopus sign mean? And who is the evil genius behind it all?

High-octane comedy with a deeply empathetic, family-friendly twist.



## Alex Sparrow and the Really Big Stink

Jennifer Killick

May 2017 ■ £6.99 ■ 250pp ■ 8-12 fiction

978-1-910080-56-6 (paperback) ■ 978-1-910080-57-3 (ebook)

World rights c/o Firefly Press



## Alex Sparrow and the Furry Fury

Jennifer Killick

May 2018 ■ £6.99 ■ 308pp ■ 8-12 fiction

978-1-910080-74-0 (paperback) ■ 978-1-910080-75-7 (ebook)

World rights c/o Firefly Press



*Jennifer Killick did a Creative Writing MA at Brunel University, which is where she first got the idea for The Really Big Stink. She lives in Uxbridge, in a house full of children, animals and Lego. Both Alex Sparrow titles have been selected for the Summer Reading Challenge, in 2017 and 2018.*

## Mo, Lottie and the Junkers

Jennifer Killick

April 2019 ■ £6.99 ■ 304pp ■ 8-12 fiction

978-1-910080-92-4 (paperback) ■ 978-1-910080-93-1 (ebook)

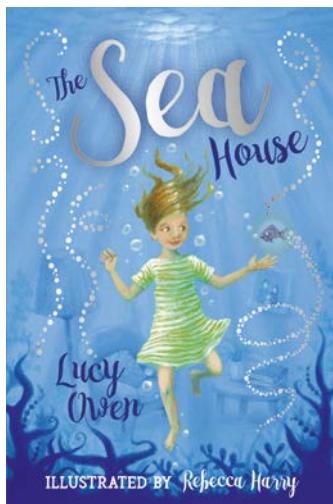
World rights c/o Firefly Press

### Selected for the Summer Reading Challenge 2019

Mo Appleby's ordered life is turned upside down when he and his mum move in with his new stepdad and stepsisters, Lottie and Sadie. The home he left behind is just across the street, and there's something not quite right about the new occupant. Other strange new people keep popping into his life, too: a bonkers lollipop man and a boy called Jax, who seems to understand Mo better than anyone else, especially Lottie. Who are the weird new people in their town? And why does the ice cream taste so good? Lottie is determined to find out exactly what's going on, even if it makes Mo mad, and even if it leads them both into serious danger...

This funny, warm and slightly scary middle-grade sci-fi is the first in a brilliant new series from author of the Alex Sparrow books.





Lucy Owen is a newsreader for BBC Wales and presents X-Ray. She has read the news for HTV and the ITV news across the UK. She is married to presenter Rhodri Owen and has one son.

The Sea House is inspired by Lucy's own grief at the death of her father. It is very gently handled, with the focus on the adventure, so it will appeal to readers whether they have experienced grief or not.



“A heart-warming, encouraging, uplifting, empowering story.”  
Elin Manahan Thomas

“A magical story that's perfect for family reading.”

Alex Winters,  
children's TV presenter



“A wonderful book ... It brings the marine world literally into our living rooms and I sincerely hope helps awaken a respect and understanding of the marine environment in its readers, young and old alike.”

Iolo Williams, naturalist and TV presenter  
(including Springwatch)



Rebecca Harry lives in Cardiff with her two children. She studied Graphic Design in Exeter. From her little studio at home, Rebecca has illustrated many picture books for children and babies, including titles for Macmillan, Nosy Crow and Little Tiger Press. The Sea House will be her 40th illustrated book.





## Summer of No Regrets

Kate Mallinder

May 2019 ■ £7.99 ■ 266pp ■ 12+ fiction

978-1-910080-94-8 (paperback) ■ 978-1-910080-95-5 (ebook)

UK and Commonwealth rights c/o Firefly Press

**Four friends pledge to make this summer regret-free but can it be that simple?**

After their exams, four sixteen-year-old best friends pledge to live a summer regret-free, taking risks however much it scares them: Sasha agrees to spend the holiday in Geneva, with the father she hasn't seen for six years. Shy homebody Hetal has to find a new competitive spirit at science camp. After Nell lost her arm in an accident her mother is scared to let her out of the house – how will she escape? Fostered Cam goes to look for her birth father. As all these choices become difficult, even dangerous, the friends will need each other for the strength to face the future.

A diverse, feel-good story of friendship: irresistibly escapist, with a strong theme of 'seize the day'. Handles themes of disability, exam pressure and fostering with great sensitivity.

**“** *Summer of no Regrets is a complete page turner. Perfect for Jacqueline Wilson fans, it is a summer story about female friendship, growing up and being brave. I loved spending summer with the gang!* **”**  
Jenny McLachlan

**“** A wonderful summery, happy-ending story about friendship. I raced through it. **”**  
Perdita Cargill



Kate Mallinder lives with her husband and four children near Ashby-de-la-Zouch in Leicestershire. She grew up in Solihull and went to college in Leeds. She wrote this book as part of her own 'no regrets' pledge, along with trying to surf, which didn't go so well. Summer of No Regrets is her first book.

## Tulip Taylor

Anna Mainwaring

June 2019 ■ £7.99 ■ 292pp ■ 11+ fiction

978-1-910080-97-9 (paperback) ■ 978-1-910080-98-6 (ebook)

UK and Commonwealth c/o Firefly Press,  
translation c/o Anne Clark Literary Agency

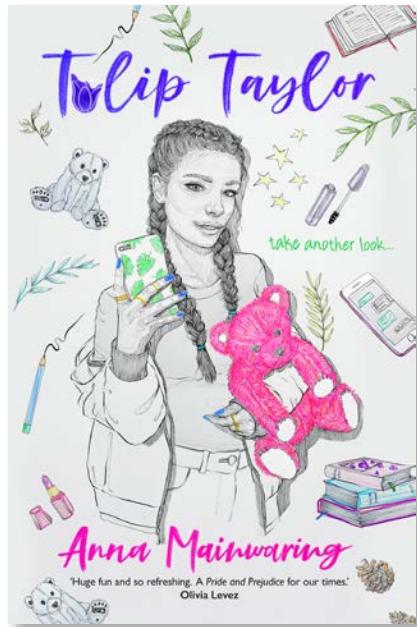
*I'm a Celebrity* meets *Pride and Prejudice* for teens. A warm-hearted and funny feminist page-turner for our social-media-controlled times.

Challenged to go on a 'survival' reality TV show, fifteen-year-old make-up vlogger Tulip only accepts to escape her mother's money-making schemes and protect her younger brother and sister. Set up to fail, can Tulip leave her phone behind and prove to the TV show, the cute but annoying boy who got her on there and – most importantly – to herself, that she's more than just a pretty face? As things get dangerous Tulip finds resources she never knew she had to take on the elements and win. But that still leaves her mother...

“ Funny, clever, compulsively readable. I absolutely loved this novel. Louisa Reid ”



Anna Mainwaring read *The Lord of the Rings* when she was seven and hasn't stopped reading since. After studying English Literature she spent a brief time as a banker before realising this was a bad choice for someone who is number dyslexic and became an English teacher. She lives in Cheshire, UK, with her family.



“ A hilarious and inspiring read - underpinned by truths about stereotype-busting and the power of taking risks. ”  
Rachel McIntyre



Cover artist Niki Pilkington is based in Los Angeles. With 63k Instagram followers for her highly charged, trend-inspired fashion portraits, her client list includes Topshop, Ted Baker, Sir Paul McCartney & MTV.

## Ant Clancy – Games Detective

Ruth Morgan

July 2019 ■ £6.99 ■ 200pp ■ 9-12 fiction

978-1-910080-99-3 (paperback) ■ 978-1-913102-00-5 (ebook)

World rights c/o Firefly Press

Everyone is playing the new Virtual Reality game, Ray-Chay. It connects directly into your memories, so each person is gaming in their own favourite world. Everybody is obsessed. Except Ant. He still loves the game he's almost won, Kismet Cosmos, even if he's the only person still playing. When crowds flock to 'Ray-Chay in the Park', one of the huge live Ray-Chay events across the country, Ant soon gets bored and takes his headset off. Which is why he sees what really happens...

**Can Ant and his friends work out who is playing a deadly game behind the game?**



## Alien Rain

Ruth Morgan

April 2016 ■ £7.99 ■ 304pp ■ 10+ fiction

978-1-910080-38-2 (paperback)

978-1-910080-39-9 (ebook)

World all languages rights c/o Firefly Press

Ruth Morgan was born in Carmarthen and grew up in Llandover. She read English at Cardiff and went into teaching, where she felt inspired to invent stories for her classes. She's written for television and radio and published fiction, poetry and plays for children. She is also a visiting storyteller at Cardiff Castle. She now teaches in Penarth, where she lives with the illustrator Chris Glynn, and their son, Gethin.



## The Jewelled Jaguar

Sharon Tregenza

September 2017 ■ £6.99 ■ 200pp ■ 8-12 fiction

978-1-910080-64-1 (paperback) ■ 978-1-910080-65-8 (ebook)

World rights c/o Firefly Press

**Shortlisted for the Tir na N'og Welsh Children's Book Prize  
Winner of the Calderdale Children's Book of the Year 2018  
Winner of the East Sussex Children's Book Award 2019  
Winner of the Lancashire School Library Service Fantastic Book Awards 2019**

**“Fast-moving, with a great sense of the natural world... this is a thoroughly satisfying tale of young people saving the day.”**  
Andrea Reece,  
Lovereading4kids

## The Shiver Stone

Sharon Tregenza

**NEW EDITION** August 2019 ■ £6.99 ■ 182pp ■ 8-12 fiction

978-1-910080-08-5 (paperback) ■ 978-1-910080-09-2 (ebook)

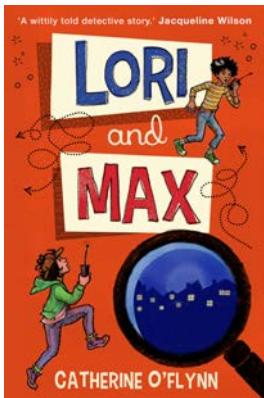
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Carys has a lot to do – a mystery to solve, a new friend to help a dog to look after and her father's girlfriend to ignore. Helping Jago find his father will mean Carys risking everything out on the Pembrokeshire cliffs, in the shadow of the Shiver Stone.



Sharon Tregenza's first book, Tarantula Tide, won the Kelpies Prize and the Heart of Hawick Children's Book Award and was longlisted for the Branford Boase Award.





## Lori and Max Catherine O'Flynn

September 2019 ■ £6.99 ■ 224pp ■ 8-12 fiction

978-1-913102-02-9 (paperback) ■ 978-1-913102-03-6 (ebook)

UK and Commonwealth rights c/o Firefly Press

Lori wants to be a detective but so far the most exciting mystery she has solved is the disappearance of her nan's specs down the side of the sofa. Max is the new girl at school and Lori is asked to look after her. Max is odd. She doesn't fit in – but then Lori doesn't really fit in either.

When some charity money goes missing and Max disappears, Lori seems to be the only person who doesn't think Max has stolen it and run away. Even the police don't want to investigate and suddenly Lori finds she has a real crime on her hands.

Beautifully written from the viewpoints of the two girls, this is a children's crime story that shows the everyday heroics of friendship.



Catherine Flynn's adult novel *What Was Lost* was the winner of the Costa First Novel Award, the Newcomer Award at the Nibbles, was shortlisted for the Guardian First Book Award and long-listed for the Orange and Booker prizes. *Lori and Max* is her first book for children.

Catherine O'Flynn is an award-winning author – this is her first book for children. For readers of Lauren Child, Siobhan Dowd and Katherine Rundell – a new children's classic.

**“A wittily told detective story about two eccentric and endearing girls – it's a real page-turner.** Jacqueline Wilson

## Grace-Ella: Witch Camp

Sharon Marie Jones, illustrated by Adriana Puglisi

October 2019 ■ £5.99 ■ 160pp ■ 7-9 fiction

978-1-913102-06-7 (paperback) ■ 978-1-913102-07-4 (ebook)

World rights c/o Firefly Press

Grace-Ella is nervous and excited to be going to witch camp, with her cat Mr Whiskins, of course. She is put in a cabin with Dilys, Mati and Aisha. Grace-Ella likes them all, but when Dilys' flying goes very wrong, and Mati convinces them breaking the rules and going into the woods at night is the only way to help, Grace-Ella finds herself on a real adventure.

Second in the popular Grace-Ella series from Sharon Marie Jones.



Sharon Marie Jones was born and raised in mountainous North Wales – immersed in magical folktales of giants and fairies. She now lives near Aberystwyth with her husband and sons. She studied English and Education at the University of Wales, Aberystwyth, graduating with first class honours. She worked as a primary school teacher for 12 years, before becoming a full-time author.



## Grace-Ella: Spells for Beginners

September 2016 ■ £5.99

144pp ■ B&W illustrations

978-1-910080-42-9 (paperback)

978-1-910080-43-6 (ebook)

World all languages c/o Firefly Press



## The Velvet Fox

Catherine Fisher

October 2019 ■ £6.99 ■ 200pp ■ 8-12 fiction

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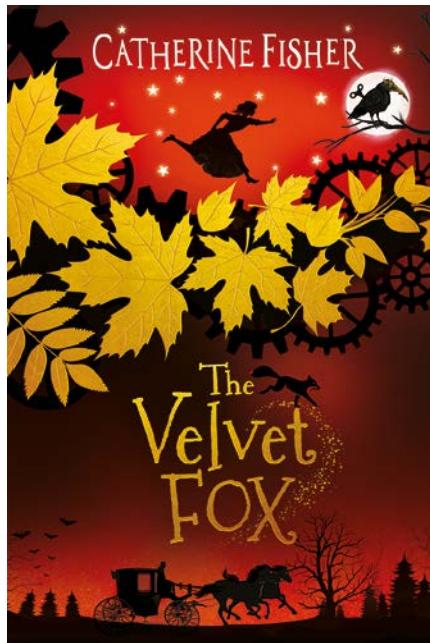
World rights c/o Firefly Press

### Sequel to the magical Clockwork Crow

After rescuing Tomas from enchantment, orphan Seren Rhys is enjoying her first summer at Plas-y-Fran. But as autumn arrives it brings with it a mysterious new governess who seems intent on luring Tomas away from Seren and his family. Fearing the worst, Seren calls on the clockwork crow to help her. But can he reach her in time, and will Tomas be able to escape the magical creatures threatening to ensnare him, led by the velvet fox?



Catherine Fisher is a poet and children's author. Her bestselling books include The Snow-Walker trilogy, the Oracle trilogy, the Incarceron series and the Chronoptika series.



## The Clockwork Crow

Catherine Fisher

October 2018 ■ £6.99 ■ 200pp ■ 9-12 fiction

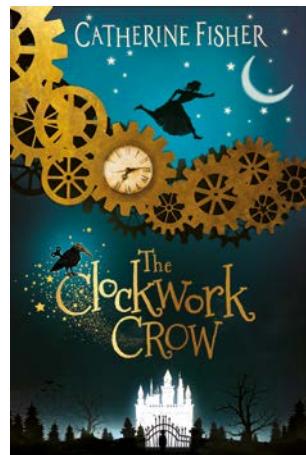
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World rights c/o Firefly Press

**Shortlisted for the Blue Peter Book Awards 2019**

**Winner of the Tir Na N'og Welsh Children's Book Awards 2019**

A mysterious gothic tale, set in a snow-bound country house. Can Seren Rhys find Tomas, the boy who has been lost for a year and a day? An extraordinary MG winter story from a world-class fantasy writer.



**“A marvellous book, and a book of marvels, shivery with suspense, snow and sinister magic.”**  
Amanda Craig

**“Full of deep fairytale resonance, Fisher's writing stands out in the mind's eye like blood drops on snow.”**  
Guardian

**“An enchanting candlelit delight.”**  
Literary Review

## The Territory trilogy

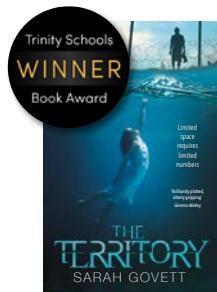
Sarah Govett

UK and Commonwealth rights c/o Firefly Press

**Limited space requires limited numbers.**

It's 2059: Fifteen-year-old Noa Blake and her friends must sit an exam to determine if they can stay in The Territory – the only safe land in a post global-warming flooded Britain – or be banished to the wetlands where they will probably die. Can she and her friends survive and break the system which is sending thousands of teens to their deaths?

An incredibly timely and brilliantly written YA series; *The Territory* is the winner of the Trinity Schools Book Award and has been optioned for TV and film.



### The Territory

May 2015 ■ £7.99 ■ 208pp ■ 12+ fiction

978-1-910080-18-4 (paperback) ■ 978-1-910080-19-1 (ebook)

**WINNER of Trinity Schools Book Award (TSBA) 2018**

“ Thrilling and thought-provoking.”  
The Times

### The Territory, Escape Book 2

Oct 2016 ■ £7.99 ■ 202pp ■ 12+ fiction

978-1-910080-46-7 (paperback) ■ 978-1-910080-47-4 (ebook)

“ A truly exceptional novel.”  
Book Trust

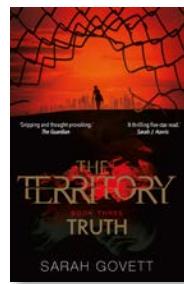


### The Territory, Truth Book 3

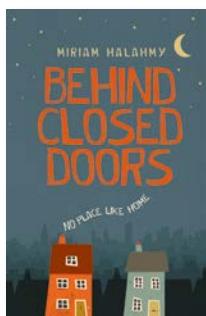
April 2018 ■ £7.99 ■ 232pp ■ 12+ fiction

978-1-910080-70-2 (paperback) ■ 978-1-910080-71-9 (ebook)

“ Govett's humorous handling of plot and character make this vivid and fresh.”  
Guardian



“ Truly heart-wrenching! The 1984 of our times.” Cara, teen book reviewer in the Guardian.



## Behind Closed Doors

Miriam Halahmy

July 2018 ■ £7.99 ■ 334pp ■ 14+ fiction

978-1-910080-78-8 (paperback)

978-1-910080-79-5 (ebook)

UKBC and audio rights c/o Firefly Press

Uplifting YA novel about teenage homelessness, hoarding, friendship and love. Fifteen year olds Tasha and Josie are near-neighbours but not friends. Yet when their families let them down, they find themselves unlikely allies in a battle for survival.

“ Moves at a breathless pace. I thoroughly enjoyed it.”  
Anne Cassidy

Miriam Halahmy writes novels, short stories and poetry. *Hidden* (2011) was nominated for the CLIP Carnegie Medal and was *Sunday Times Children's Book of the Week*.



## Three Strikes

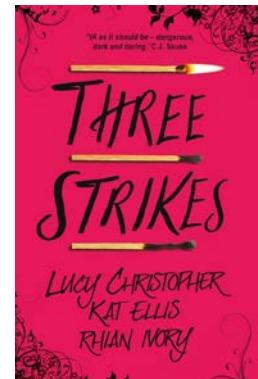
Lucy Christopher, Kat Ellis and Rhian Ivory  
 October 2018 ■ £7.99 ■ 358pp ■ 14+ fiction  
 978-1-910080-86-3 (paperback) ■ 978-1-910080-87-0 (ebook)  
 World English rights c/o Firefly Press

**'Three unsettling but thoroughly compelling new stories from the Grand High Witches of thrilling YA.' CJ Skuse**

A red eye blinks in the darkness; a hidden door opens to a lost crypt; a life is held in the light of a flickering flame... Welcome to THREE STRIKES – three dark and chilling tales from three acclaimed YA authors.



Lucy Christopher is the author of Stolen, which won the Branford Boase Award 2010 in the UK and the 2010 Gold Inky in Australia. Her other titles include Flyaway, The Killing Woods and Storm Wake.



## Purge Kat Ellis

September 2016 ■ £7.99 ■ 328pp ■ 15+ fiction  
 978-1-910080-40-5 (paperback) ■ 978-1-910080-41-2 (ebook)  
 World English rights c/o Firefly Press

A gripping futuristic thriller - can Mason and Eden survive the lies that surround them?



## Blackfin Sky Kat Ellis

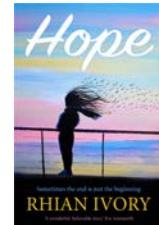
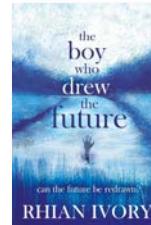
May 2014 ■ £7.99 ■ 328pp ■ 13+ fiction  
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 UKBC rights c/o Firefly Press

### Nothing Stays Buried in Blackfin...

When Skylar Rousseau falls from Blackfin Pier and drowns on her sixteenth birthday, the whole town goes into mourning — until she shows up three months later like nothing happened.



Kay Ellis lives in north Wales. Her first two books, Blackfin Sky and Breaker were also published by Running Press in the US. Her new book, Harrow Lake, will be published next year by PRH.



## Hope Rhian Ivory

September 2017 ■ £7.99  
 978-1-910080-62-7 (paperback) ■ 978-1-910080-63-4 (ebook)  
 UK and Commonwealth rights c/o Firefly Press

A novel about music, family and having the courage to ask for help.

## The Boy who Drew the Future

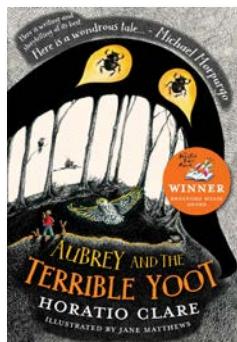
Rhian Ivory  
 September 2015 ■ £7.99 ■ 254pp ■ 11+ fiction  
 978-1-910080-26-9 (paperback) ■ 978-1-910080-27-6 (ebook)  
 UK and Commonwealth rights c/o Firefly Press

### Nominated for the CILIP Carnegie Medal

Compelling thriller: Can the future be redrawn?



Rhian got her first publishing deal at 26. Hope is her sixth novel. She is a National Trust writer in residence and a Patron of Reading in Buckinghamshire.



## Aubrey and the Terrible Yoot

Horatio Clare, Illustrated by Jane Matthews

May 2015 ■ £7.99 ■ 212pp ■ 8-12 fiction

978-1-910080-28-3 (paperback) ■ 978-1-910080-29-0 (ebook)

World English rights c/o Firefly Press

**Winner of the Branford Boase first children's novel Award 2016**

**Winner of the FCBG North Somerset Teachers' Books Awards, quality fiction**

**Longlisted for the CILIP Carnegie Medal 2017**

**Longlisted for the UKLA Children's Book Awards 2017**

**Shortlisted for the Awesome Book Awards and the Surrey Libraries Children's Book Award 2017**

Aubrey is a rambunctious boy who tries to run before he can walk and has crashed two cars before he's old enough to drive one. But when his father falls under an horrendous spell, Aubrey is determined to break it.

Everyone says his task is impossible, but, with the help of the animals of Rushing Wood, Aubrey will never give up and never surrender - even if he must fight the unkillable Spirit of Despair itself: the Terrible Yoot!

**“A jewel not to be missed.”**  
*The Sunday Times*

**“Horatio Clare has the voice of a great storyteller.”**  
Michael Morpurgo

**“A treasure ... massive hear and a poet's eye - it's also really funny.”**  
Frank Cottrell Boyce

## Aubrey and the Terrible Ladybirds

May 2017 ■ £7.99 ■ 244pp ■ 8-12 fiction

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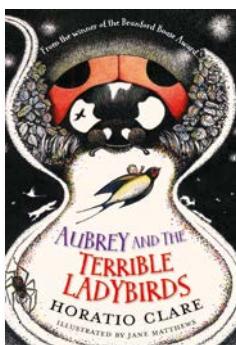
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**Sunday Times Children's Book of the Week**

**Longlisted for the UKLA Children's Book Awards 2017**

**Nominated for the Carnegie Medal 2018**

The second in the Aubrey series: Aubrey finds himself on a mission to save the world, starting with Rushing Wood!



Coming in 2020

## Aubrey and the Terrible Spiders

£6.99 ■ 220pp ■ 8-12 fiction ■ B&W illustrations

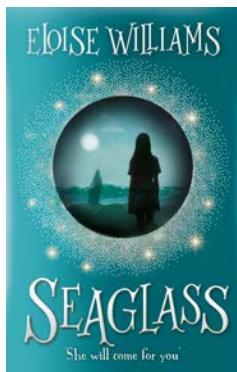
978-1-913102-12-8 (paperback) ■ 978-1-913102-13-5 (ebook)

World English rights c/o Firefly Press

The third incredible adventure of Aubrey and his animal friends.



Horatio Clare's first book, *Running for the Hills*, won a Somerset Maugham Award, was longlisted for the Guardian First Book Award and saw him shortlisted for the Sunday Times Young Writer of the Year. His subsequent books include: *A Single Swallow*, *Down to the Sea in Ships*, winner of the Stanford Dolman Travel Book of the Year, *The Light in the Dark*; *A Winter Journal* and *Something of his Art*.



## Seaglass

Eloise Williams

September 2018 ■ £6.99 ■ 280pp ■ 9-12 fiction  
978-1-910080-80-1 (paperback) ■ 978-1-910080-81-8 (ebook)  
UKBC rights c/o Firefly Press

### Shortlisted for the Tir Na N'og Welsh Children's Book Award 2019

Lark struggles on holiday in a lonely caravan site. Her mother is ill and her sister has stopped talking. Who is the girl in the green dress following them?

**A deliciously atmospheric ghost story set on the salty windswept Welsh coast.**

The Bookseller

**A wonderfully atmospheric ghost story.**  
Claire Fayers

## Gaslight

Eloise Williams

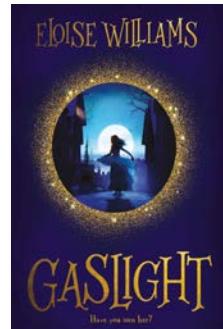
April 2017 ■ £6.99 ■ 196pp ■ 9-12 fiction  
978-1-910080-54-2 (paperback) ■ 978-1-910080-55-9 (ebook)  
UK and Commonwealth rights c/o Firefly Press

### Shortlisted for the Tir na N'og Welsh Children's Book Prize Wales Arts Review Young People's Book of the Year

1899. All Nansi knows is that she was fished out of Cardiff docks with no memories, the same day her mother disappeared. Now she works at the Empire Theatre, looking for a way to find her mother and save herself.

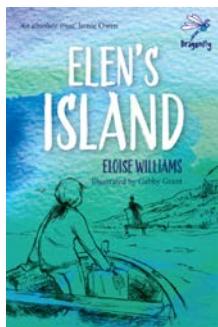


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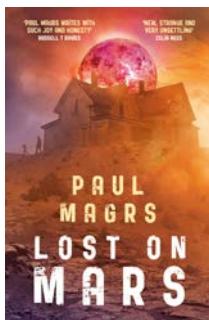
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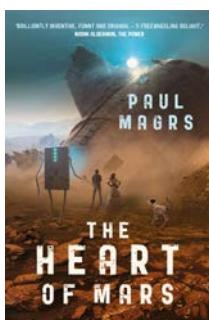
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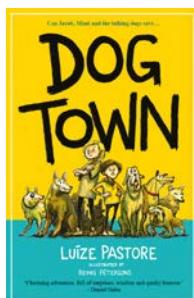
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Vanessa Harbour is Senior Lecturer in Creative Writing at the university in Winchester. She is academic and business consultant at the Golden Egg Academy. Flight is her first novel.



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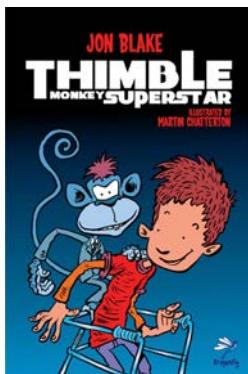
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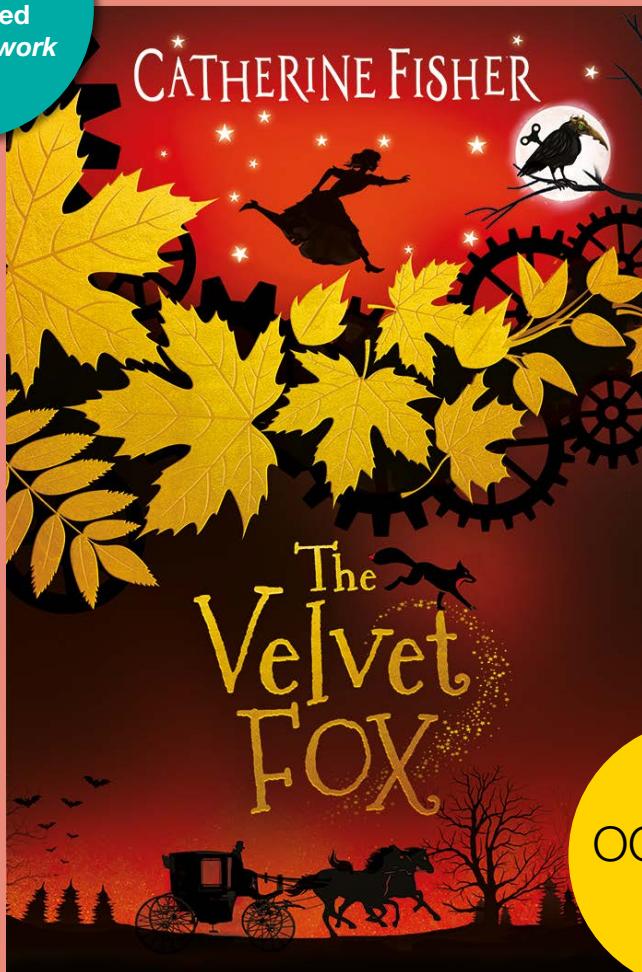
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