

# LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

March 2019



## \*Featured New Arrivals\*

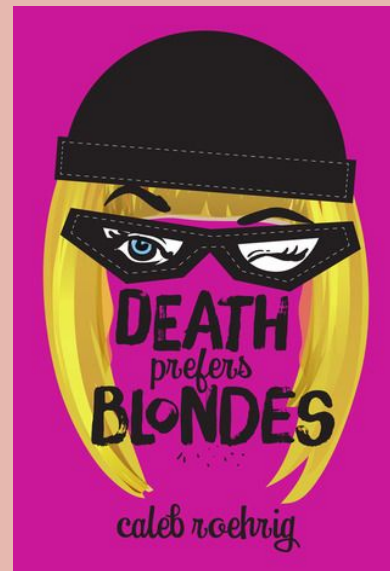
### King of Scars

Nikolai Lantsov has always had a gift for the impossible. No one knows what he endured in his country's bloody civil war—and he intends to keep it that way. Now, as enemies gather at his weakened borders, the young king must find a way to refill Ravka's coffers, forge new alliances, and stop a rising threat to the once-great Grisha Army.



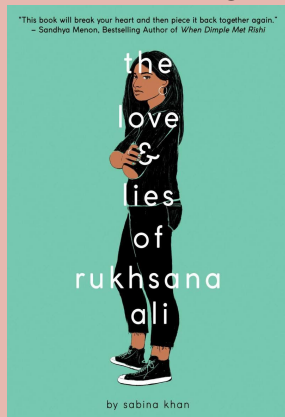
### Death Prefers Blondes

Teenage socialite Margo Manning leads a dangerous double life. By day, she dodges the paparazzi while soaking up California sunshine. By night, however, she dodges security cameras and armed guards, pulling off high-stakes cat burglaries with a team of flamboyant young men. In and out of disguise, she's in all the headlines.



## The Love and Lies of Rukhsana Ali

Rukhsana tries her hardest to live up to her conservative Muslim parents' expectations. But when her parents catch her kissing her girlfriend, all of Rukhsana's life plans fall apart. They whisk her off to Bangladesh, where she is thrown headfirst into a world of arranged marriages and tradition. Rukhsana realizes she must find the courage to fight for her love, but can she do so without losing everyone and everything in her life?



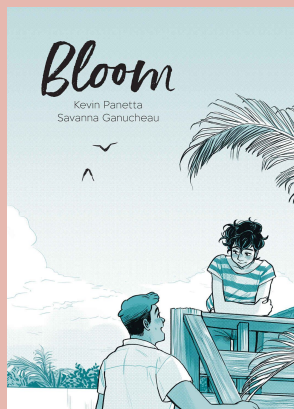
## The Girl King

Sisters Lu and Min have always understood their places as princesses of the Empire. Lu knows she is destined to become the dynasty's first female ruler, while Min is resigned to a life in her shadow. But when their father unexpectedly declares their male cousin Set the heir to the throne instead—the betrayal sends the two sisters down two very different paths.



## Bloom (Graphic Novel)

Ari is dying to move to the big city with his band—if he can just persuade his dad to let him quit his job at their struggling bakery. Ari can't fathom a life wasting away over hot ovens. But while interviewing candidates for his replacement, Ari meets Hector, an easygoing guy who loves baking as much as Ari wants to escape it. As they become closer over batches of bread, love is ready to bloom . . . that is, if Ari doesn't ruin everything.



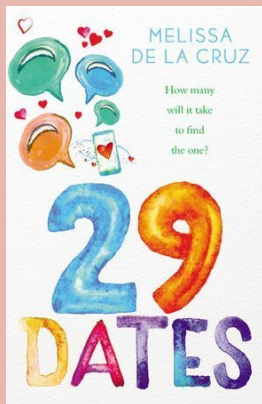
## We Set the Dark on Fire

At the Medio School for Girls, young women are trained for one of two roles; running a husband's household, or raising his children. Both roles promise a life of comfort and luxury, far from the uprisings of the lower class. Daniela Vargas is the school's top student, but her future depends on no one discovering her secret—that her pedigree is a lie. She must keep the truth hidden or be sent back to the fringes of society.



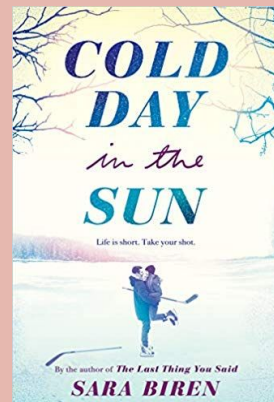
### 29 Dates

Jisu's traditional South Korean parents are concerned by what they see as her lack of attention to her schoolwork and her future. Working with Seoul's premiere matchmaker to find the right boyfriend is one step toward ensuring Jisu's success, and going on the recommended dates is Jisu's compromise to please her parents, while finding time and space to figure out her own dreams.



### Cold Day in the Sun

Holland wants to be known for her talent as a hockey player, not a hockey player who also happens to be a girl. But when her school team is selected to be televised as part of HockeyFest, her status as the only girl on the boys' team makes her the lead story. Not everyone is thrilled with Holland's new fame, but there's one person who supports her, and it's the last person she expects: her bossy team captain, Wes.



### Black Panther [DVD]

After the death of his father, T'Challa returns home to the African nation of Wakanda to take his rightful place as king. When a powerful enemy suddenly reappears, T'Challa's mettle as king (and as Black Panther) gets tested when he's drawn into a conflict that puts the fate of Wakanda and the entire world at risk. Faced with treachery and danger, the young king must rally his allies and release the full power of Black Panther to defeat his foes and secure the safety of his people.



### Coco [DVD]

Despite his family's generations-old ban on music, young Miguel dreams of becoming an accomplished musician like his idol Ernesto de la Cruz.

Desperate to prove his talent, Miguel finds himself in the stunning and colorful Land of the Dead. After meeting a charming trickster named Héctor, the two new friends embark on an extraordinary journey to unlock the real story behind Miguel's family history.





### **\*Honorable Mentions\***

- ★ “Thicker Than Water” by Natasha Deen
- ★ “The Book of Delights” by Ross Gay
- ★ “The Beauty of the Moment” by Tanaz Bhathena
- ★ “Bridge of Clay” by Markus Zusak
- ★ “H is for Hawk” by Helen Macdonald
- ★ “Walking Disaster” (*Beautiful Disaster Series #2*) by Jamie McGuire
- ★ “The Summer King” (*The Chronicles of Faerie Series #2*) by O.R. Melling
- ★ “The Sandman: Overture” by Neil Gaiman (Graphic Novel)
- ★ “Monstress Vol. 3” by Marjorie Liu (Graphic Novel)
- ★ “Won’t You Be My Neighbor?” A Mr. Rogers Documentary [DVD]

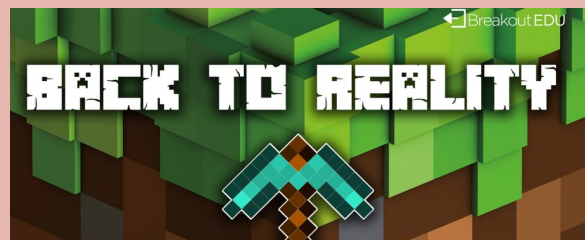


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### **Library News & Events**

- Have you ever wanted to try an “**Escape Room**”, but don’t like the idea of being locked inside a room? Well here’s a fun alternative, where you “*break in*” instead!

**(Date still TBD) The Library is excited to host a “Breakout Box” activity called:**



*\*One sunny day, you’re innocently playing videogames on your computer when-  
ZAP!!!*

*You become trapped in the blocky 8-bit world of Minecraft! An in-game NPC named Steve robotically informs you that the only way back to reality is through the locked boxes that you see before you. Make sure you read the clues carefully and pay attention to everything you see in order to figure out the combinations, open the locks and break back into reality.\**

- **SUMMER READING** selections for **students** is fast approaching; here’s your reminder to return last year’s books to the library to be re-used in this summer’s selection!
- Reminder that the **SHS Book Group** meets every **Wednesday** during **Band B** in the library, anyone interested in joining should contact Ms. Smith, Spaulding’s librarian.

- Did you know the Library has a Twitter & Instagram? Check us out and follow for all the latest events and news!

Twitter: @csmitshs

Instagram: @shslibraryvt

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## Teacher Corner

- **SUMMER READING** selections for **teachers & staff** have officially kicked off! We have 40 diverse and exciting selections to choose from!
- ❖ Each person who signs up for a title will facilitate a discussion with a group of students at the beginning of the 2019 Fall Semester.
  - ❖ Sign up through the Google Doc labeled “2019 Summer Reading Titles” that Ms Smith shared in your email. If the document wasn’t shared with you, email Ms Smith.
  - ❖ Slots are filling up fast; *sign up today!!!*
- **SBAC Testing** will be held **April 9th & 10th**, with make-ups on the 11th and 12th. In between testing, students will have the opportunity to relax and do some mindful activities inside the auditorium and the atrium. Some of those mindfulness activities will include:
- ❖ Origami
  - ❖ Coloring
  - ❖ Chess/checkers
  - ❖ Cornhole
  - ❖ Knitting

- ❖ Card Games
- ❖ Yoga (tbd)
- ❖ Therapy Dogs (tbd)

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## Tech Deck

- Reminder that the 1st stage of **Girls Go CyberStart** ends:

**April 12th!**

- ❖ **Girls Go CyberStart** is a fun and interactive series of digital challenges designed to introduce you to the field of cybersecurity. You compete in three stages for the chance to **win cash prizes** for you and your school, as well as **scholarships** to help pay for college.
- ❖ **Sign up** as an individual or encourage an Advisor to set up a Club for your school or organization!
- ❖ During the *CyberStart Assess* 1st stage, you can participate as an individual or as part of a Club, **but to progress** to the CyberStart Game and win prizes, you **MUST** be in a registered Club with a *minimum* of 5 members.
- ❖ Advisors register a Club here: <https://www.girlsgocyberstart.org/entry/sign-up>
- ❖ Go to <https://www.girlsgocyberstart.org/> to start the challenge or learn more!

*April is National Poetry Month!*



**Stop by the library and check out some choice selections of poetry to peruse!**

*"If I feel physically as if the top of my head were taken off, I know that is poetry."*

*—Emily Dickinson*

**Come by and help us finish this funky technicolor owl!**

**It's proved to be a real "puzzler" for our students and staff ;)**

*"Drink your tea slowly and reverently, as if it is the axis on which the world earth revolves – slowly, evenly, without rushing toward the future; live the actual moment. Only this moment is life."*

*- Thich Nhat Hanh*

