

## The love match

by Priyanka Taslim (she/her) - Y TASLIM

When her meddling mother arranges a match to secure their family's financial security, Bangladeshi American teen Zahra and her match, Harun, decide to slowly sabotage their parents' plans, allowing her to explore her feelings for a co-worker who understands her in a way no one has before.



# She is a haunting

by Trang Thanh Tran (she/her) - Y TRAN

Staying in Vietnam at the house her estranged father is restoring, Jade, plagued by sleep paralysis, bugs and a ghostly apparition, must expose the evil lurking in its walls before dark forces consume them all.



# House of yesterday

by Deeba Zargarpur (she/her) - Y ZARGARPUR With her beloved grandmother suffering from dementia, Sara, a 16-year-old Afghan-Uzbek girl, stumbles upon the haunting apparition of a much-younger version of her grandmother, which brings to light her family's immigrant past.



### Iron widow

by Xiran Jay Zhao (they/them) - Y ZHAO

Offering herself up as a concubine-pilot to assassinate the man responsible for her sister's death, 18-year-old Zetian discovers her true destiny as an Iron Widow and must use her strength to force her society to stop failing its women and girls.



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### Road of the lost

by Nafiza Azad (she/her) - Y AZAD

Enchanted to forget her true heritage, Croi, a brownie who has been glamoured to be invisible to humans, is summoned to the Otherworld where she travels a perilous path to find out who she really is and where she belongs.



# When you wish upon a lantern

by Gloria Chao (she/her) - Y CHAO

To save her family's struggling wishing lantern store, Liya secretly fulfills the wishes people write on the lanterns they send into the sky and, in doing so, rekindles her friendship with Kai, which unexpectedly leads to something more.



### The sacrifice

by Rin Chupeco (they/them) - Y CHUPECO

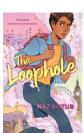
When a Hollywood film crew begins to work on the island of Kisapmata, they ignore the warnings that the island is cursed, until the crew begins to see strange visions and the visitors start to die, one by one.



# **Tokyo dreaming**

by Emiko Jean (she/her) - Y JEAN

When the Imperial Household Council refuses to approve her parents' marriage, citing concerns about her and her mother's lack of pedigree, Izumi Tanaka must do whatever it takes to up her newly acquired princess game in order to win over the council.



# The loophole

by Naz Kutub (he/him) - Y KUTUB

When a magical heiress grants him three wishes due to his kindness, Syyed embarks on a wild ride to find his long-lost love for one last, desperate chance at rebuilding his life.



# Flip the script

by Lyla Lee (she/her) - Y LEE

To make the ratings of her K-drama skyrocket, the producers create a love triangle using Hana's former best friend and crush, and as they compete for the lead actor's affection on screen, they fall in love behind the scenes, which could end their careers.



# More than just a pretty face

by Syed M. Masood (he/him) - Y MASOOD

Enduring family disapproval and the possible cancellation of his arranged marriage because of his ambition to become a chef, Danyal Jilani competes in a school-wide academic championship, where his efforts to prove his intelligence are complicated by his crush on a teammate who loves his cooking.



# **Beating heart baby**

by Lio Min (they/he) - Y MIN

Settling into a new life in L.A., Santi finds his fragile relationship with his trans band leader Suwa threatened by an impossible truth that forces them both to reckon with their dreams, their pasts and their futures, together or apart.



# While you were dreaming

by Alisha Rai (she/her) - Y RAI

When a video of her rescuing her crush James goes viral, Sonia or, rather a mysterious masked savior, is thrust into the spotlight and must protect her secret identity from TikTok and the world while dealing with her feelings for this awkwardly charming boy.



# All kinds of other

by James Sie (he/him) - Y SIE

Two boys are starting over at a new high school. Jules is still figuring out what it means to be gay and just how out he wants to be. Jack is reeling from a fall-out with his best friend and isn't ready to let anyone else in just yet. When Jules and Jack meet, the sparks are undeniable.