YA Asian Pacific American Heritage Month



Celebrate Asian Pacific American Heritage Month by reading young adult books written by contemporary YA authors!





The Breakup Lists by Adib Khorram (Y Khorram)

A high school stage manager has to face his complicated feelings about love when he catches himself falling for the same guy as his sister.



Dear Wendy by Ann Zhao (Y Zhao)

Aromantic and asexual students Sophie and Jo, engaged in an online feud as the creators of popular relationship advice accounts "Dear Wendy" and "Sincerely Wanda," unwittingly become real-life friends and navigate their shared aroace identities.



The Dos and Donuts of Love by Adiba Jaigirdar (Y Jaigird)

Shireen Malik is still reeling from the breakup with her ex-girlfriend, Chris, when she receives news that she's been accepted as a contestant on a new televised baking competition show.



Foul Lady Fortune by Chloe Gong (Y Gong)

In 1931 Shanghai, two Nationalist spies pose as a married couple to investigate a series of brutal murders causing unrest in the city.



House of Yesterday by Deeba Zargarpur (Y Zargarp)

Struggling with her parent's divorce and her grandmother's dementia, 15-year-old Sarah Khan tries to distract herself in a home renovation project. She finds that the house is full of dark family secrets that give rise to ghostly apparitions. And dark truths that ensure nothing will ever be the same.



An Impossible Thing to Say by Arya Shahi (Y Shahi)

Omid needs the right words to connect with his newly met grandfather and distant Iranian heritage, words to tell a special girl what she means to him and to show everyone that he truly belongs in Tucson, Arizona, the only home he's ever known.



Into the Sunken City by Dinesh Thiru (Y Thiru)

In a world where the rain never stops, impoverished Jin Haldar is offered the score of a lifetime—a massive stash of gold hidden in the sunken ruins of Las Vegas and must do what she promised herself she'd never do again: dive.



Kill Her Twice by Stacey Lee (Y Lee)

In in 1930s Los Angeles Chinatown, the Chow sisters, May, Gemma, and Peony, suspect foul play in the death of Chinatown star Lulu Wong and take it upon themselves to solve the murder, revealing a conspiracy that threatens their Chinatown neighborhood.



Kindling by Traci Chee (Y Chee)

After the war is over, seven outlawed kindlings—elite, magic-wielding warriors whose devastating power comes at the cost of their own young lives—must confront their pasts, their trauma and their grim fates to reclaim who they once were and fight one last time.



Only This Beautiful Moment by Abdi Nazemian (Y Nazemia)

Moud is an out gay teen living in Los Angeles with his distant father, Saeed. When Moud gets the news that his grandfather in Iran is dying, he accompanies his dad to Tehran, where the revelation of family secrets will force Moud into a new understanding of his history, his culture, and himself.



Song of Silver, Flame Like Night by Amélie Wen Zhao (Y Zhao)

Lan's last remnant of her mother—and the fallen Hin dynasty of her ancestors—is a symbol seared onto her wrist, which, if the mysterious boy she encounters is to be trusted, may be the key to freeing her people by mastering the ancient, forgotten art of practitioning.

Stars and Smoke by Marie Lu (Y Lu)

When international pop sensation Winter

take down a criminal tycoon, he is paired

with Sydney, a fierce and unpredictable

secret agent, but suspicions soon turn to sparks as the two are drawn into a tangled

is recruited by a covert organization to



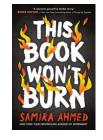
Queen of the Tiles by Hanna Alkaf (Y Hannaal)

Najwa Bakri is forced to investigate the mysterious death of her best friend and Scrabble Queen, Trina, a year after the fact when her Instagram comes back to life with cryptic posts and messages.



Rana Joon and the One and Only Now by Shideh Etaat (Y Etaat)

Set in 1996 southern California, high school senior Rana Joon wants to honor her deceased best friend by entering a rap contest and living authentically as a lesbian, but feels conflicted by her Iranian family's expectations.



throwback

This Book Won't Burn by Samira Ahmed (Y Ahmed)

web of secrets and deception.

Noor Khan is forced to start the last quarter of her senior year at a new school, away from everything and everyone she knows and loves. At school, Noor discovers hundreds of books have been labeled "obscene" or "pornographic" and are being removed from the library in accordance with a new school board policy. Can she effect change by speaking up? Or will small-town politics—and smalltown love—be her downfall.

Throwback by Maurene Goo (Y Goo)

Priscilla is first-generation Korean American, a former high school cheerleader who expects Sam to want the same all- American nightmare. After a huge blowup, Sam is desperate to get away from Priscilla, but instead, finds herself thrown back. To her shock, Sam lands in the '90s alongside a 17-year-old Priscilla.



She is a Haunting by Trang Thanh Tran (Y Tran)

of the royal family.

The Scarlet Alchemist

by Kylie Lee Baker (Y Baker)

In an alternate Tang Dynasty China, aspiring royal alchemist Zilan, who has the ability to resurrect the dead, arrives in

the capital to compete against the best

alchemists in the country and becomes

drawn into the dangerous political games

Jade Nguyen is spending the summer in Vietnam at the French colonial house her estranged father is fixing up as a vacation rental, but unbeknownst to her family, the house and its ghosts have other plans.

