

Burn Bright An Alpha And Omega Novel

From No. 1 New York Times bestselling author Patricia Briggs comes the next thrilling Alpha and Omega novel - an extraordinary fantasy adventure set in the world of Mercy Thompson but with rules of its own . . . Perfect for fans of Ilona Andrews, Nalini Singh, Christine Feehan and J. R. Ward. 'Patricia Briggs is an incredible writer' - Nalini Singh 'The Changeling series 'Patricia Briggs is amazing . . . Her Alpha and Omega novels are fantastic' - Fresh Fiction For once, mated werewolves Charles and Anna are not traveling because of Charles's role as his father's enforcer. This time, their trip to Arizona is purely personal - or at least it starts out that way . . . Charles and Anna soon discover children with simulacrums. The Fae's cold war with humanity is about to heat up - and Charles and Anna are in the cross fire. Discover this page-turning Alpha and Omega novel, from the queen of urban fantasy Patricia Briggs. Praise for Patricia Briggs: 'I love these books!' - Charlaïne Harris 'The best new fantasy series I've read in years' - Erin Watt, #1 New York Times bestselling author of The Royals series 'It is always a joy to pick up a new Briggs novel . . . Briggs hits another one out of the park!' - RT Book Reviews Books by Patricia Briggs: The Alpha and Omega Novels Cry Wolf Hunting Ground Fair Game Dead Heat Burn Bright

Blood Bound Iron Kissed Bone Crossed Silver Marked Frost Burned Night Broken Fire Touched Silence Fallen Storm Cursed Smoke Bitten Sianim series Aralorn: Masques and Wolfsbane

Newly mated werewolves, Anna and Charles, attend a summit discussing whether or not the wolves should make themselves known to humans, when she is attacked by vampires, in the second novel in the series following Cry Wolf. 25,000 first printing.

Mercy Thompson, shapeshifter and mate of the local werewolf pack's Alpha, discovers that the entire pack has been abducted while she was in a minor fender bender with her stepdaughter.

From #1 New York Times bestselling author Patricia Briggs comes a fantastical series set in a world where magic is the only thing that stands between humanity and total destruction... Seraph is a Raven mage, and among the last of the Travelers who ensure that the city of Colossae is safe from evil. Unwelcome by those who fear magic, she is sworn to protect. But Seraph is spared a similar fate by the ex-soldier Tier—and together they build a life where she is no longer burdened by her people's responsibility. But now Tier is missing—or dead—and Seraph's reprieve from her duty is over. Using her magic to discover her husband's fate, Seraph realizes the prison that holds the evil she and her ancestors' oath...

Fantastic Hope

On the Prowl

Magic Rises

Smoke Bitten

The Waves Burn Bright

"In the wilds of the Northern California mountains, all the inhabitants of a small town have gone missing. It's as if the people picked up and left everything they owned behind. Fearing something supernatural might be going on, the FBI taps a source they've consulted in the past: the werewolves Charles Cornick and Anna Latham. But Charles and Anna soon find that a deserted town is the least of the mysteries they face. Death sings in the forest, and when it calls, Charles and Anna must answer. Something has awakened in the heart of the California mountains, something old and dangerous-and it has met werewolves before"--

Rafael, king of the wererats, must fight to the death to defend his crown. He wants Anita Blake, one of his closest allies, with him as he faces an opponent unlike any he's faced before. He will ask Anita to risk everything to be at his side.... But some of the wererats fear that Rafael depends too much on Anita and her ties to the vampires. They believe that there is only one room in America for one supernatural king, and Rafael will turn them into nothing more than food for the bloodsuckers. Among his enemies, a new challenger has arisen who is younger, hungrier, and has dark secrets that could destroy both the wererats and the vampires. Rafael will go into the magical heart of his people to find the power and violence that he needs to save them all, or die trying.

THE #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER In her bestselling Alpha and Omega series, Patricia Briggs "spins tales of werewolves, coyote shifters, and magic and, my, does she do it well" (USA Today Online). Now mated werewolves Charles Cornick and Anna Latham face a threat like no other—one that lurks too close to home... They are the wild and the broken. The werewolves too damaged to live safely among their own kind. For their own good, they have been exiled to the outskirts of Aspen Creek, Montana. Close enough to the Marrok's pack to have its support; far enough away to not cause any harm. With their Alpha out of the country, Charles and Anna are on call when an SOS comes in from the fae mate of one such wildling. Heading into the mountainous wilderness, they interrupt the abduction of the wolf--but can't stop blood from being shed. Now Charles and Anna must use their skills--his as enforcer, hers as peacemaker--to track down the attackers, reopening a painful chapter in the past that springs from the darkest magic of the witchborn...

Shapeshifter Mercy Thompson has friends in high places—and in a low, dark, scary ones. And in this must-have collection of short stories, you’ll meet new faces and catch up with old acquaintances—in all their forms... Includes the new stories... “Silver” “Roses in Winter” “Redemption” “Hollow” ...and reader favorites “Fairy Gifts” “Gray” “Seeing Eye” “Alpha and Omega” “The Star of David” “In Red, with Pearls” “One of the best urban fantasy anthologies I’ve ever read.”—The BiblioSanctum

When Demons Walk

The Scum Villain's Self-Saving System: Ren Zha Fanpai Zijiu Xitong (Novel) Vol. 1

Alpha and Omega: Cry Wolf: Volume One

Rafael

Raven's Shadow

What do you do when you wake up and feel like you're not enough for your life? Or when you look out the kitchen window as dusk falls and wonder how do you live when life keeps breaking your heart? As Ann Voskamp writes, "great grief isn't meant to fit inside your body. It's why your heart breaks." And each of us holds enough brokenness to overflow—to be given as the greatest story of our lives. In sixty vulnerably soulful stories, The Way of Abundance moves from self-weary brokenness to Christ-focused givenness. Drawing from the critically acclaimed, New York Times bestseller The Broken Way and Ann's online essays, this devotional dares us to embrace brokenness as a gift that moves us to givenness as a way to draw closer to the heart of God. Christ Himself broke like bread, giving Himself to us so we might have a lifelong communion with Him. Could it be that our brokenness is also a gift to the world? This gentle but exquisitely profound book does nothing less than take you on an intimate journey of the soul. As Ann writes, "The wound in His side proves that Jesus is always on the side of the suffering, the wounded, the busted, the broken." Discover how surrendering in unexpected ways is the first step toward receiving what you long for. Discover the good news that your beauty is not in your strength but in your fragility. Discover why your healing shines radiant through your wounds—and how only in brokenness will you ever be whole—and find the way to the abundance you were meant for.

Mercy Thompson, car mechanic and shapeshifter, faces a threat unlike any other in this thrilling entry in the #1 New York Times bestselling series. I am Mercedes Athena Thompson Hauptman. My only "superpowers" are that I turn into a thirty-five pound coyote and fix Volkswagens. But I have friends in odd places and a pack of werewolves at my back. It looks like I'm going to need them. Centuries ago, the fae dwelt in Underhill—until she locked her doors against them. They left behind their great castles and troves of magical artifacts. They abandoned their prisoners and their pets. Without the fae to mind them, those creatures who remained behind roamed freely through Underhill wreaking havoc. Only the deadliest survived. Now one of those prisoners has escaped. It can look like anyone, any creature it chooses. But if it bites you, it controls you. It lives for chaos and destruction. It can make you do anything—even kill the person you love the most. Now it is here, in the Tri-Cities. In my territory. It won't, can't, remain. Not if I have anything to say about it.

When her mate's ex-wife shows up on the run from her new boyfriend, who turns out to be less than human, shapeshifter Mercy Thompson must stop the bodies from piling up.

In the #1 New York Times bestselling Mercy Thompson novels, the coyote shapeshifter has found her voice in the werewolf pack. But when Mercy's bond with the pack--and her mate--is broken, she'll learn what it truly means to be alone... Attacked and abducted in her home territory, Mercy finds herself in the clutches of the most powerful vampire in the world, taken as a weapon to use against Alpha werewolf Adam and the ruler of the Tri-Cities vampires. In coyote form, Mercy escapes--only to find herself without money, without clothing, and alone in a foreign country. Unable to contact Adam through their mate bond, Mercy has allies to find and enemies to fight, and she needs to figure out which is which. Ancient powers stir, and

Mercy must be her agile best to avoid causing a supernatural war.

Stories from the World of Mercy Thompson

Moon Called

In a Badger Way

Fire Touched

Night Broken

"The Mercy Thompson series transports readers into the realm of werewolves Charles Cornick and Anna Latham... Charles and Anna soon discover that a dangerous fae being is on the loose, replacing human children with simulacrums. The fae have started a cold war with humanity that's about to heat up and Charles and Anna are in the crossfire"--

New York Times and USA Today bestselling author Shelly Laurenston follows the explosive success of Hot and Badgered with the second installment in her sizzlingly outrageous series, this time featuring a heroine who is half tiger, half honey badger shifter, and fully living her truth. Petite, kind, brilliant, and young, Stevie is nothing like the usual women bodyguard Shelly Laurenston has written. She's tough, lethal, ball-busting, and beautiful MacKilligan sisters is terrified of bears. But she's not terrified of pandas. She loves pandas. Which means that whether Shen wants her to or not, she simply won't stop cuddling him. He isn't some stuffed Giant Panda, ya know! He is a Giant Panda shifter. He deserves respect and personal space. Something that little hybrid is not going to give her. Shen is in trouble. Like going undercover to take down a scientist experimenting on other shifters. For what, Shen doesn't want to know, but they'd better find out. And fast. Stevie might be the least violent of the honey badger sisters, but she's the most dangerous to Shen's peace of mind. Because she has absolutely no idea how much trouble they're in . . . or just how damn humorous." —USAToday.com on Hot and Badgered "Laurenston delights...Zany, sarcastic humor...Familiar, well-developed characters and full immersion into the universe make this a must-read for a new and returning readers alike." —Publishers Weekly on In a Badger Way "In a Badger Way is pure, unadulterated fun. It's ten pounds of bursting-at-the-seams excitement." —USA Today on In a Badger Way Laurenston when it comes to unique, unparalleled heroines and the heroes who can't help but love them. Even when they're honey badgers." —Bookpage on In a Badger Way

The #1 New York Times Bestseller! Atlanta is a city plagued by magical problems. Kate Daniels will fight to solve them—no matter the cost... Mercenary Kate Daniels and her mate, Curran, the Beast Lord, are struggling to solve a heartbreaking crisis. Unable to control their beasts, many of the Pack's shapeshifting children fail to survive to adulthood. While there is a way to solve the problem, it's guarded by the European packs, and there's little available in Atlanta. Kate can't bear to watch innocents suffer, but the solution she and Curran have found threatens to be even more painful. The European shapeshifters who once outmaneuvered the Beast Lord have asked him to arbitrate a dispute—and they'll pay him in medicine. With the young people's survival at stake, Kate must accept the offer—but they have little doubt that they're heading straight into a trap...

Mercy Thompson has been hailed as "a heroine who...always remains true to herself" (Library Journal). Now she's back, and she'll soon discover that when the fae stalk the human world, it's the children who suffer... Tensions between the fae and humans are coming to a head. And when coyote shapeshifter Mercy and her Alpha werewolf mate, Adam, are called upon to solve a crisis, they must choose between protecting the boy and saving the world. Mercy must do something that could be used to make the fae back down and forestall out-and-out war: a human child stolen long ago by the fae. Defying the most powerful werewolf in the country, the humans, and the fae, Mercy, Adam, and their pack choose to protect the boy no matter what the cost. But who will protect them from a boy who is fire touched?

Storm Cursed

Aralorn: Masques and Wolfsbane

The Way of Abundance

A Honey Badger Shifter Romance

A Companion Novella to Cry Wolf

After years at the bottom of the pack, Anna has learned never to trust dominant males, until Charles Cornick, the enforcer and leader of the North American werewolves, declares her his mate, revealing her destiny as an Omega wolf.

A companion novella to Cry Wolf—from the #1 New York Times bestselling author of the Mercy Thompson novels. Reluctant werewolf Anna Latham finds a new sense of self when the son of the werewolf king comes to town to quell unrest in the Chicago pack—and inspires a power in Anna she's never felt before...

"Mercy Thompson has opened her garage again and is trying to get back to normal. Of course, now that the Tri-Cities are viewed as neutral ground, all kinds of supernatural beings are heading her way. With her mate Adam Hauptman's firm involved in providing security to a top-secret meeting with the US government and the fae, Mercy is tapped to handle everything else -- including reports of a strange witch in town ..."--Provided by publisher.

"Half-demon Luo Binghe rose from humble beginnings and a tortured past to become unrivaled in strength and beauty. With his dominion over both the Human and Demon Realms and his hundreds-strong harem, he is truly the most powerful protagonist...in a trashy webnovel series! At least, that's what Shen Yuan believes as he finishes reading the final chapter in Proud Immortal Demon Way. But when a bout of rage leads to his sudden death, Shen Yuan is reborn into the world of the novel in the body of Shen Qingqiu--the beautiful but cruel teacher of a young Luo Binghe. While Shen Qingqiu may have the incredible power of a cultivator, he is destined to be horrifically punished for crimes against the protagonist. The new Shen Qingqiu now has only one course of action: get into Luo Binghe's good graces before the young man's rise to power or suffer the awful fate of a true scum villain!"--Back cover of Volume 1.

Burn Bright

Harlequin Comics

Fair Game

Mercy Thompson: Book 13

Wild Sign

The first book in the popular Mercy Thompson series--wherein the main character must contend with a world of vampires, werewolves and gremlins--is now available in hardcover.

In 1988 the Piper Alpha oil platform off the coast of Aberdeen, Scotland exploded, killing 167 men. The Waves Burn Bright is a deeply effecting, sensitive exploration of its devastating aftermath on one family. Carrie Fraser is 16 when the disaster occurs, her father Marcus one of the survivors. As the narrative moves between past and present the trauma blows open existing fractures, tearing the family apart. In adulthood and after many years living abroad, Carrie, now a respected volcanologist, is returning to Aberdeen to deliver a controversial academic paper. Carrie and her father are estranged, partly due to his post-traumatic stress and related alcoholism, a legacy of Piper Alpha. Will a reconciliation be possible or will the aftershocks of a tragedy that occurred 25 years before continue to drive father and daughter apart? ‘ A cauldron of a book, bubbling with anger and magma which might at any moment spill over and bring further devastation. It is both particular to this tragedy in 1988, but also universal; a compelling story exploring how a father ’ s trauma sends shock waves through a family, changes the pattern of lives – particularly his daughter ’ s – and makes love risky. However, as well as being about damage and running away, it is also about healing. ’ Linda Cracknell, author of Call of the Undertow and Doubling Back 'it wasn't so much that Maloney's characters had made an impact on my world, but that I had entered theirs... simply a cracking good read.' Alison Miller, author of Demo

Shapeshifter mechanic Mercy Thompson and her mate, Alpha werewolf Adam, must investigate and survive an evil presence stirring in the depths of the Columbia River, in the sequel to Silver Borne . Reprint. A best-selling series.

Includes bonus material and a never-before-published version of issue #1! Patricia Briggs, the #1 New York Times bestselling author of the Mercy Thompson novels, “ always enchants her readers" (Lynn Viehl). Now her Alpha and Omega series—set in a world of shifting shapes, loyalties, and passions—comes vividly to life in this collection of four comic books based on Cry Wolf, the first book in the series. Anna never knew werewolves existed, until the night she survived a violent attack...and became one herself. After three years at the bottom of the pack, she ’ s learned to keep her head down and never, ever trust dominant males. Then Charles Cornick, the enforcer—and son—of the leader of the North American werewolves, came into her life. Charles insists that not only is Anna his mate, but she is also a rare and valued Omega wolf. And it is Anna ’ s inner strength and calming presence that will prove invaluable as she and Charles go on the hunt in search of a rogue werewolf—a creature bound in magic so dark that it could threaten all the pack...

Shifting Shadows

Dead Heat

River Marked

An Alpha and Omega Novel

Hunting Ground

Mercy Thompson, car mechanic and shapeshifter, never knows what the day—or night—may bring. But in the fifth novel in the #1 New York Times bestselling series, she's about to learn that while some secrets are dangerous—those who seek them are just plain deadly.. Mercy is smart enough to realize that when it comes to the magical Fae, the less you know, the better. But you can't always get what you want. When she attempts to return a powerful Fae book she'd previously borrowed in an act of desperation, she finds the bookstore locked up and closed down. It seems the book contains secret knowledge—and the Fae will do just about anything to keep it out of the wrong hands. And if that doesn't take enough of Mercy's attention, her friend Samuel is struggling with his wolf side—leaving Mercy to cover for him, lest his own father declare Sam's life forfeit. All in all, Mercy has

had better days. And if she isn't careful, she might not have many more to live...

Patricia Briggs "has reached perfection" in this #1 New York Times bestseller, as Mercy Thompson faces a shapeshifter's biggest fear... Mercy's life has undergone a seismic change. Becoming the mate of Alpha werewolf Adam Hauptman has made her a stepmother to his daughter Jesse, a relationship that brings moments of blissful normalcy to Mercy's life. But on the edges of humanity, what passes for a minor mishap on an ordinary day can turn into so much more... After a traffic accident in bumper-to-bumper traffic, Mercy and Jesse can't reach Adam—or anyone else in the pack. They've all been abducted. Mercy fears Adam's disappearance may be related to the political battle the werewolves have been fighting to gain acceptance from the public—and that he and the pack are in serious danger. Outmatched and on her own, Mercy may be forced to seek assistance from any ally she can get, no matter how unlikely. *The Nocturnal Library*

'Patricia Briggs never fails to deliver an exciting, magic and fable filled suspense story' Erin Watt, No. 1 New York Times bestselling author of The Royals series.Mercy Thompson, car mechanic and shapeshifter, must face her greatest fears in this chilling entry in the No. 1 New York Times bestselling series.The vampire Wulfe is missing. Since he's deadly, possibly insane, and his current idea of "fun" is stalking Mercy, some may see it as no great loss. But when he disappears, the Tri-Cities pack is blamed. The mistress of the vampire seethe informs Mercy that the pack must produce Wulfe to prove their innocence, or the loose alliance between the local vampires and werewolves is over.So Mercy goes out to find her stalker – and discovers more than just Wulfe have disappeared. Someone is taking people from locked rooms, from the aisles of stores, and even from crowded parties. And these are not just ordinary people but supernatural beings. Until Wulfe vanished, all of them were powerless loners, many of whom quietly moved to the Tri-Cities in the hope that the safety promised by Mercy and Adam's pack would extend to them as well.Who is taking them? As Mercy investigates, she learns of the legend of the Harvester, who travels by less-trodden paths and reaps the souls that are ripe with a great black scythe . . .

A birthday vacation to Arizona turns deadly for mated werewolves Charles and Anna, who discover that a dangerous Fae is replacing human children with simulacrums as part of a brewing war against humanity. By the #1 New York Times best-selling author of the Mercy Thompson novels.

Frost Burned

A 60-Day Journey into a Deeply Meaningful Life

Silence Fallen

A Kate Daniels Novel

Silver Borne

Charles Cornick, the leader of the North American werewolves, is sent to Boston with Anna Latham to assist the FBI in tracking down a serial killer who is targeting their kind.

When Shamera, a wizard, sets out to avenge the crippling of her master, Kerim, the Cybellian ruler discovers her plan and saves her from a false arrest in exchange for her assistance in finding a murderer. Reissue.

A handsome prince. A dangerous wolf shifter. And a quest to hunt a mysterious firebird... Neva Bane knows better than to enter the Gravenwold Woods. Monsters and witches lurk there, and those who enter don't come out. But when a handsome young prince arrives in her village, on a quest to hunt the firebird within the woods, Neva has no choice but to guide him—or see her ailing father forced to do so instead. The king is dying. The only thing that can save him is the heart of the firebird. But the deeper into the forest they go, the more Neva learns about the firebird's secrets... Neva must sabotage the hunt if she's to prevent a magical war, but her only potential allies are a wolf shifter who drives her crazy, and a witch with an agenda of her own. Can Neva save her world from the darkness they've unleashed—or is it too late? Join USA Today bestselling author, Bec McMaster, on a journey through a dark fairytale where a young huntress clashes with a powerful curse that could destroy everything she loves... Download this epic coming-of-age fantasy filled with magic and breathtaking romance, today!

A collection of paranormal romances, including Patricia Briggs' "Alpha and Omega," in which a beautiful werewolf uncovers her true powers with the help of a werewolf prince.

A Rush of Wings

Cry Wolf

LORD OF LA PAMPA

Soul Taken

Alpha and Omega

In the fifth installment of Briggs' #1 "New York Times"-bestselling series, mated werewolves Charles Cornick and Anna Latham now face a threat like no other—one that lurks too close to home.ooks.

"Kick-ass were-coyote auto mechanic Mercedes Thompson" (Publishers Weekly) has leapt to the forefront of today's urban fantasy heroes, thanks to bestselling author Patricia Briggs. Now, Mercy finds herself in the middle of a bloodbath—with only one way out... Mercy has friends in low places—and in dark ones. And now she owes one of them a favor. Since she can shapeshift at will, she agrees to act as some extra muscle when her vampire friend Stefan goes to deliver a message to another of his kind. But this new vampire is hardly ordinary—and neither is the demon inside of him. When the undead and the werewolves sent to find him don't return, the local vampire queen turns to Mercy for help. A coyote is no match for a demon, but Mercy is determined to get her friends back—including the two werewolves circling around her heart.

Mated werewolves Charles Cornick and Anna Latham must discover what could make an entire community disappear—before it's too late—in this thrilling entry in the #1 New York Times bestselling Alpha and Omega series. In the wilds of the Northern California mountains, all the inhabitants of a small town have gone missing. It's as if the people picked up and left their possessions behind. With a mystery on their hands and no jurisdiction on private property, the FBI dumps the whole problem in the lap of the land owner, Aspen Creek, Inc.—aka the business organization of the Marrok's pack. Somehow, the pack of the Wolf Who Rules is connected to a group of vanished people. Werewolves Charles Cornick and Anna Latham are tasked with investigating, and soon find that a deserted town is the least of the challenges they face. Death sings in the forest, and when it calls, Charles and Anna must answer. Something has awakened in the heart of the California mountains, something old and dangerous—and it has met werewolves before.

For fans of Serpent & Dove and A House of Salt and Sorrows comes a "transportive and beautiful" (Chloe Gong, New York Times bestselling author of These Violent Delights) romantic fantasy about an untrained witch who must unlock her power to free her brothers from a terrible curse and save her home. Rowenna Winthrop has always known there's magic within her. But though she hears voices on the wind and possesses unusual talents, her mother Mairead believes Rowenna lacks discipline, and refuses to teach her the craft that keeps their Scottish village safe. And when Mairead dies a sinister death, it seems Rowenna's only chance to grow into her power has died with her. Then, on a fateful, storm-tossed night, Rowenna rescues a handsome stranger named Gawen from a shipwreck, and her mother miraculously returns from the dead. Or so it appears. The resurrected Mairead is nothing like the old one. To hide her new monstrous nature, she turns Rowenna's brothers and Gawen into swans and robs Rowenna of her voice. Forced to flee, Rowenna travels to the city of Inverness to find a way to break the curse. But monsters take many forms, and in Inverness, Rowenna is soon caught in a web of strangers who want to use her raw magic for their own gain. If she wishes to save herself and the people she loves most, Rowenna will have to take her fate into her own hands and unlock the power that has evaded her for so long.

Blood Bound

An Alpha and Omega novel: Book 4

A breathtaking epic fantasy adventure from the bestselling Patricia Briggs, author of the Mercy Thompson novels. After an upbringing of proper behaviour and oppressive expectations, Aralorn fled her noble birthright for a life of adventure as a mercenary spy. But her latest mission involves more peril than she ever imagined. Agents of Sianim have asked her to gather intelligence on the increasingly popular and powerful sorcerer Geoffrey ae'Magi. Soon Aralorn comes to see past the man's striking charisma – and into a soul as corrupt and black as endless night. And few have the will to resist the sinister might of the ae'Magi and his minions. So Aralorn, aided by her enigmatic companion, Wolf, joins the rebellion against the ae'Magi. But in a war against a foe armed with the power of illusion, how do you know who the true enemy is – or where he will strike next? This omnibus edition contains the two titles MASQUES and WOLFSBANE. Books by Patricia Briggs: Books three and four in the Sianim series Steal the Dragon When Demons Walk Hurog Dragon Bones Dragon Blood Raven duology Raven's Shadow Raven's Strike Mercy Thompson Moon Called Blood Bound Iron Kissed Bone Crossed Silver Marked Frost Burned Night Broken Fire Touched Silence Fallen Storm Cursed Smoke Bitten Alpha and Omega Alpha & Omega Cry Wolf Hunting Ground Fair Game Dead Heat Burn Bright

A collection of sixteen sci-fi and fantasy stories edited by #1 New York Times bestselling author Laurell K. Hamilton and author William McCaskey. A child's wish for her father comes true. The end of the world has never been so much fun. Conquering personal demons becomes all too real. It's not always about winning; sometimes it's about showing up for the fight. It's about loving your life's work, and jobs that make you question everything. In this anthology, seventeen authors have woven together brand-new stories that speak to the darkness and despair that life brings while reminding us that good deeds, humor, love, sacrifice, dedication, and following our joy can ignite a light that burns so bright the darkness cannot last. Laurell K. Hamilton and William McCaskey are joined by Kevin J. Anderson, Griffin Barber, Patricia Briggs, Larry Correia, Kacey Ezell, Monalisa Foster, Robert E. Hampson, John G. Hartness, Jonathan Maberry, L. E. Modesitt, Jr., Jessica Schlenker, Sharon Shinn, M. C. Sumner, Patrick M. Tracy, and Michael Z. Williamson in this collection.

#1 New York Times bestselling author Patricia Briggs's Mercy Thompson series has been hailed as "one of the best" (Library Journal). Now Mercy must deal with an unwanted guest—one that brings a danger unlike anything she's ever known. When her mate's ex-wife storms back into their lives, Mercy knows something isn't right. Christy has the furthest thing from good intentions—she wants Adam back, and she's willing to do whatever it takes to get him, including turning the pack against Mercy. Mercy isn't about to step down without a fight, but there's a more dangerous threat circling. As the bodies start piling up, she must put her personal troubles aside to face a creature with the power to tear her whole world apart.