

# Characters of Color



**Light It Up**  
by Kekla Magoon

This incredible follow-up to the highly acclaimed *How It Went Down* is told in a series of vignettes from multiple viewpoints.



**Shadowhouse Fall**  
by Daniel Jose Older

Sierra is a shadowshaper who makes art and creates change with the spirits of Brooklyn. This sequel to *Shadowshaper* is a fresh tale of power and protest.



**A Dream So Dark**  
by L.L. McKinney

In this stunning sequel to *A Blade So Black*, Alice goes deeper into a dark version of Wonderland.



**Who Put This Song On?**  
by Morgan Parker

Morgan feels like the whole world is listening to the same terrible song on repeat. When can she turn it off and write her own song?



**There's Something About Sweetie**  
by Sandhya Menon

Ashish and Sweetie both have something to prove, but they realize there's an unexpected magic growing between them.



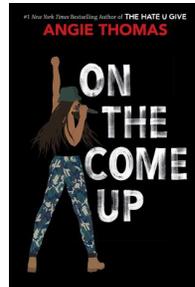
**Jackpot**  
by Nic Stone

Nic Stone creates two unforgettable characters in one hard-hitting story about class, money (too much or too little), and how you make your own luck in the world.



**Dear Haiti, Love Alaine**  
by Maika Moulite and Maritza Moulite

This intriguing epistolary novel involves an intergenerational family mystery.



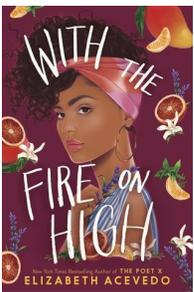
**On The Come Up**  
by Angie Thomas

With an eviction notice looming, Bri doesn't just want to make it as a rapper, she has to.



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**With the Fire On High**  
by Elizabeth Acevedo

Emoni is a single mom who dreams of becoming a chef. Her talent, pride, and drive to create keep her fire burning bright.



**Wicked Fox**  
by Kat Cho

Korean folklore forms the basis for an unusual fantasy love story about a teen with supernatural powers.



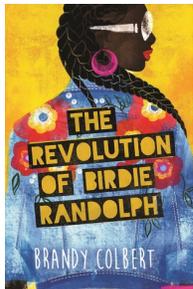
**Somewhere Only We Know**  
by Maurene Goo

A lighthearted love story about an aspiring journalist and a K-Pop singing star.



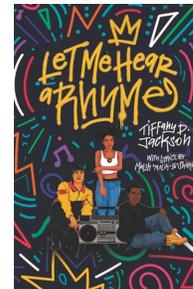
**Love From A to Z**  
by S.K. Ali

A love story between two Muslim teens struggling to fight injustice and find their own way in the world.



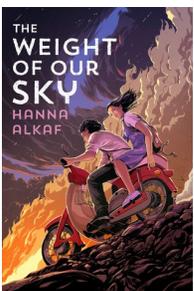
**The Revolution of Birdie Randolph**  
by Brandy Colbert

Birdie is a dutiful daughter seeking her own independence. When buried secrets rise to the surface, everything she's known is turned upside down.



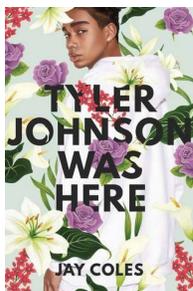
**Let Me Hear A Rhyme**  
by Tiffany D. Jackson

This timely novel is a stunning ode to hip hop, friendship, and Brooklyn, remixed in a page-turning mystery, as three teens struggle to keep their murdered friend's music alive.



**The Weight of Our Sky**  
by Hanna Alkaf

A music-loving teen with OCD does everything she can to find her way back to her mother during the historic race riots in 1969 Kuala Lumpur.



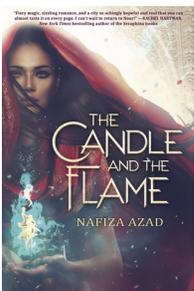
**Tyler Johnson**  
by Jay Coles

A striking and heartbreaking account of police brutality and race relations in modern America.



**A River of Royal Blood**  
by Amanda Joy

An enthralling adventure set in a North Africa-inspired fantasy world, in which rival sisters face each other in a battle to the death for the throne.



**The Candle and the Flame**  
by Nafiza Azad

An immersive tale of magic, fiercely independent women, and the work for harmony within a city of a thousand cultures.



**We Hunt the Flame**  
by Hafsa Faizal

Set in a richly detailed world inspired by ancient Arabia, this novel is a gripping tale of discovery, conquering fear, and finding identity.



**Spin the Dawn**  
by Elizabeth Lim

A gifted tailor disguises herself as a boy to compete for a position working for the king. Life becomes complicated when the court enchanter sees through her imposture.