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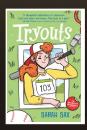


## THE SPACE BETWEEN HERE & NOW

By Sarah Suk (YA F Suk)

310 pages 2023 Fantasy

Aimee is 17 years old and suffers from Sensory Time Warp Syndrome, a condition that causes her to jump back in time to certain memories when a trigger scent is smelled. She often returns to scenes with her mother, who left when Amy was young. Can Amy find out more about her mom and will she ever feel normal? (Grades 8 & up)



#### TRYOUTS

By Sarah Sax (YA F Brinkley Yearbook)

277 pages 2024 Graphic Novel

Al has played baseball since she was a little girl, but she's recently aged out of her little league team and doesn't know what to do. She doesn't think she can try out for her middle school baseball team because it's always been a boys-only sport. When tryouts begin, Al decides to go for it, after a little coaxing from a friend, and to her surprise, the coach is excited to see her tryout and she makes the team! But not everyone is thrilled that she's on the team, especially with a state championship on the line. (Grades 6 & up)

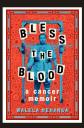


### **BEASTLY BEAUTY**

By Jennifer Donnelly (YA F Donn)

321 pages 2024 Fantasy

Abandoned by his gang of thieves after a robbery gone wrong, Beau finds himself trapped inside a castle. He's not exactly a prisoner, but there's no way to escape, especially since the bridge that connected the castle to the mainland has been destroyed. But Beau refuses to give up, especially since he made a promise to his younger brother that he'd find him. By day he tries to win over the castle's mistress with the hope of discovering a way out, but by night he must remain locked in his room or face the wrath of an enormous beast who roams the halls. Will Beau discover a way to break the castle's enchantment and rescue not only himself but others who are bound by a curse? (Grades 8 & up)



#### BLESS THE BLOOD: A CANCER MEMOIR

By Walela Nehanda (YA 616.99449 Neha)

388 pages 2024 Nonfiction

A cancer memoir and novel-in-verse in which author Walela Nehanda shares their experience facing medical racism after being diagnosed with leukemia at the age of 23. Nehanda recounts their struggle as a black, queer, nonbinary, disabled person in a fiercely honest and emotional way as various forms of oppression intersect during their illness. This memoir reveals the resilience, self-determination, and vulnerability of Nehanda as they fight to survive and let their voice be heard. (Grades 8 & up)



## THE GREAT GREENE HEIST

By Varian Johnson (YA F Jack)

226 pages 2014 Realistic Fiction

In The Great Greene Heist, the main character, Jackson discovers that his enemy is running for student council president. Jackson starts to make a plan to get his crush to win instead of his enemy, Keith. Keith knows one of the people helping Jackson and Keith gets the kid to tell him what they are planning. Jackson is taken aback by his friend backstabbing him and helping his enemy. With this new information, Keith decides to bribe the principal so the elections are in his favor and the principal agrees. Jackson's Crush, Gaby, asks Jackson to stay out of this but Jackson doesn't listen. He keeps going because he has another trick up his sleeve, but he has no clue if it will work. Reviewed by TAB member Corrine S. (Grades 6 & up)