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The exciting prize-winning debut from A.A. Balaskovits cleverly updates and rewrites our favorite fairy tales!

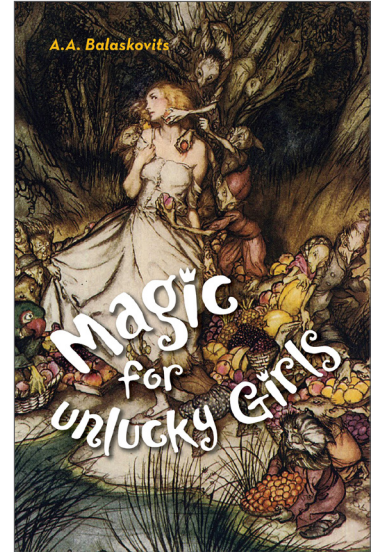
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The fourteen fantastical stories in **MAGIC FOR UNLUCKY GIRLS** take the familiar tropes of fairy tales and twist them into new and surprising shapes. These unlucky girls, struggling against a society that all too often oppresses them, are forced to navigate strange worlds as they try to survive.

From carnivorous husbands to a bath of lemons to whirling basements that drive people mad, these stories are about the demons that lurk in corners and the women who refuse to submit to them, instead fighting back — sometimes with their wit, sometimes with their beauty, and sometimes with shotguns in the dead of night.



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A.A. Balaskovits won the Santa Fe Writers Project Literary Awards grand prize in 2015. Her work appears in *Indiana Review*, *The Madison Review*, *The Southeast Review*, *Booth*, *Wigleaf*, and many others. She is the social media editor for *Cartridge Lit*. www.aabalaskovits.com. On Twitter: @aabalaskovits

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