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Marie Lu is the author of the #1 *New York Times* bestselling series *The Young Elites*, as well as the blockbuster bestselling *Legend* series. She graduated from the University of Southern California and jumped into the video game industry as an artist and art director. Now a full-time writer, she lives in Los Angeles, California, where she spends her spare time reading, drawing, playing games, and getting stuck in traffic.

Recently in the News

**Entertainment Weekly – “Marie Lu, author of the Legend series, to write new duology – exclusive”** <http://www.ew.com/article/2016/02/29/marie-lu-new-duology>

**Entertainment Weekly – “Read an exclusive excerpt from Marie Lu's final Young Elites novel, *The Midnight Star*”**  
<http://www.ew.com/article/2016/08/25/marie-lu-final-young-elites-novel-midnight-star>

**Mashable – “Here’s the cover to the third and final ‘Young Elites’ book, ‘The Midnight Star’”** <http://mashable.com/2016/04/21/the-midnight-star-cover-reveal-marie-lu/#Y9Gojg4LHqqm>

**Bustle – “‘The Midnight Star’ Concludes Marie Lu's Dark, Twisted Young Elites Series — EXCLUSIVE EXCERPT”**  
<https://www.bustle.com/articles/171783-the-midnight-star-concludes-marie-lus-dark-twisted-young-elites-series-exclusive-excerpt>

**USA Today – “Exclusive reveal: See very first Marie Lu illustrations from ‘Gemina’ by Amie Kaufman and Jay Kristoff”**  
<http://happyeverafter.usatoday.com/2016/09/08/gemina-marie-lu-illustrations-reveal-amie-kaufman-jay-kristoff/>

**Hollywood Reporter – “Fox, Temple Hill Brewing YA Franchise With ‘The Young Elites’ (Exclusive)”** <http://www.hollywoodreporter.com/news/fox-temple-hill-brewing-ya-787586>

***THE YOUNG ELITES Trilogy:***  
*The Young Elites, The Rose Society, & The Midnight Star*

***The Young Elites***

**An explosive new series from *New York Times* bestselling author of the *Legend* trilogy, Marie Lu**

**Darth Vader, Voldemort, Maleficent. Witness the rise of a new villain.**

**Adelina Amouteru is a survivor of the blood fever.** A decade ago, the deadly illness swept through her nation. Most of the infected perished, while many of the children who survived were left with strange markings. Adelina's black hair turned silver, her lashes went pale, and now she has only a jagged scar where her left eye once was. Her cruel father believes she is a *malfetto*, an abomination, ruining their family's good name and standing in the way of their fortune. But some of the fever's survivors are rumored to possess more than just scars—they are believed to have mysterious and powerful gifts, and though their identities remain secret, they have come to be called the Young Elites.

**Teren Santoro works for the king.** As Leader of the Inquisition Axis, it is his job to seek out the Young Elites, to destroy them before they destroy the nation. He believes the Young Elites to be dangerous and vengeful, but it's Teren who may possess the darkest secret of all.

**Enzo Valenciano is a member of the Dagger Society.** This secret sect of Young Elites seeks out others like them before the Inquisition Axis can. But when the Daggers find Adelina, they discover someone with powers like they've never seen. Adelina wants to believe Enzo is on her side, and that Teren is the true enemy. But the lives of these three will collide in unexpected ways, as each fights a very different and personal battle. But of one thing they are all certain: Adelina has abilities that shouldn't belong in this world. A vengeful blackness in her heart. And a desire to destroy all who dare to cross her.

*It is my turn to use. My turn to hurt.*

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*Praise for **The Young Elites***

**A *New York Times* bestseller!**

**Five starred reviews!**

**An Amazon Best Book of 2014 – Teen & Young Adult!**

**An Amazon Best Book of the Month, October 2014!**

“By permitting her characters some grand failures, she raises the stakes in the best way possible... There is clearly more to know, and I look forward to it. This is a world worth revisiting.”—***The New York Times Book Review***

“Lu pivots from the ‘coming of age via romance’ formula to pry apart the many emotions that pass under the rubric of love... There’s nothing easy here, for Adelina or readers—there are no safe places where the pressures of betrayal, death threats, and rejection aren’t felt.”—

**Publishers Weekly**, starred review

“Readers should prepare to be captivated—and to look forward to a continuation of the Young Elites series.”—**Booklist**, starred review

“A must for fans of...totally immersive fantasies.” —**Kirkus Reviews**, starred review

“A Game of Thrones meets X-Men in this 14th-century fantasy from Marie Lu (the Legend trilogy), in a world where ‘fear is power.’ ... The overriding epic fantasy will keep readers hooked for book two, which teases to be a game-changer. Bring it on.” —**Shelf Awareness**, starred review

“The taut, tightly packed narrative provides an engaging mix of pulse-quickenning fight scenes, heart-stopping near escapes, touching interpersonal interludes, and devastating betrayals.” —**BCCB**, starred review

“Lu weaves her magic across the page as she unfolds the story of Adelina and the Young Elites. Nothing is as it is expected.”—**VOYA**

“Lu seamlessly melds an unforgettable and intoxicating historical fantasy narrative with a strong female protagonist that grapples with an issue experienced by all young adults—acceptance of one’s self... Lu’s new series will be a surefire hit with old and new fans alike.”—**School Library Journal**

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### ***The Rose Society***

**From *New York Times* bestselling author Marie Lu comes the second book in the exhilarating *Young Elites* series**

*Once upon a time, a girl had a father, a prince, a society of friends. Then they betrayed her, and she destroyed them all.*

Adelina Amouteru’s heart has suffered at the hands of both family and friends, turning her down the bitter path of revenge. Now known and feared as the White Wolf, she and her sister flee Kenettra to find other Young Elites in the hopes of building her own army of allies. Her goal: to strike down the Inquisition Axis, the white-cloaked soldiers who nearly killed her.

But Adelina is no heroine. Her powers, fed only by fear and hate, have started to grow beyond her control. She does not trust her newfound Elite friends. Teren Santoro, leader of the Inquisition, wants her dead. And her former friends, Raffaele and the Dagger Society, want to stop her thirst for vengeance. Adelina struggles to cling to the good within her. But how can someone be good, when her very existence depends on darkness?

Bestselling author and *New York Times* proclaimed "hit factory" Marie Lu delivers another heart-pounding adventure in this exhilarating sequel to *The Young Elites*.

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### ***Praise for The Rose Society***

**A #1 New York Times bestseller!**

"A tightly woven tapestry of a story that ensnares even as it disturbs."—**Booklist, starred review**

"Lu constructs a fascinating triangle of opposing forces seeking power, and the ensuing twists and epic battles leave many dead, broken, or forever changed."—**Publishers Weekly, starred review**

"Original and sobering, Adelina is an antihero of nigh-unremitting darkness: an unusual young woman in the mold of such archetypes as Lucifer, Macbeth, and Darth Vader."—**Kirkus Reviews**

"Teens will be fascinated to watch the main character descend into villainy and revel in it."—**School Library Journal**

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### ***The Midnight Star***

**The thrilling finale to the New York Times bestselling Young Elites series from “hit factory” Marie Lu**

*There was once a time when darkness shrouded the world, and the darkness had a queen.*

Adelina Amouteru is done suffering. She’s turned her back on those who have betrayed her and achieved the ultimate revenge: victory. Her reign as the White Wolf has been a triumphant one, but with each conquest her cruelty only grows. The darkness within her has begun to spiral out of control, threatening to destroy all she's gained.

When a new danger appears, Adelina’s forced to revisit old wounds, putting not only herself at risk, but every Elite. In order to preserve her empire, Adelina and her Roses must join the Daggers on a perilous quest—though this uneasy alliance may prove to be the real danger.

#1 New York Times bestselling author Marie Lu concludes Adelina's story with this haunting and hypnotizing final installment to the Young Elites series.

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***The LEGEND Trilogy:***  
*Legend, Prodigy, & Champion*

*Over 2 million copies sold*

### ***Legend***

What was once the western United States is now home to the Republic, a nation perpetually at war with its neighbors. Born into an elite family in one of the Republic's wealthiest districts,

fifteen-year-old June is a prodigy being groomed for success in the Republic's highest military circles. Born into the slums, fifteen-year-old Day is the country's most wanted criminal. But his motives may not be as malicious as they seem.

From very different worlds, June and Day have no reason to cross paths - until the day June's brother, Metias, is murdered and Day becomes the prime suspect. Caught in the ultimate game of cat and mouse, Day is in a race for his family's survival, while June seeks to avenge Metias's death. But in a shocking turn of events, the two uncover the truth of what has really brought them together, and the sinister lengths their country will go to keep its secrets.

Full of nonstop action, suspense, and romance, this novel is sure to move readers as much as it thrills.

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### *Praise for **Legend***

From *USA TODAY*:

"Marie Lu's dystopian novel is a *Legend* in the making."

From *ENTERTAINMENT WEEKLY*:

"Fine writing and excellent execution. **Sequel, please!**"

From *THE NEW YORK TIMES*:

"*Legend* doesn't merely survive the hype, it deserves it."

From *USA TODAY*:

"Marie Lu's dystopian novel is a '**Legend**' in the making."

From *THE LOS ANGELES TIMES*:

"an **action-packed love story** full of inventive details."

STARRED REVIEW from *PUBLISHERS WEEKLY*:

"**Lu's debut is a stunner**. . . raises hopes high for the sequels to come. "

STARRED REVIEW from *KIRKUS REVIEWS*:

"**A gripping thriller** in dystopic future Los Angeles. This is no didactic near-future warning of present evils, but a cinematic adventure featuring endearing, compelling heroes."

STARRED REVIEW from *BOOKLIST*:

"[D]elicious details keep pages turning . . . **you've got the makings for a potent sequel.**"

STARRED REVIEW from *VOYA*:

"A fast-paced blend of action and science fiction (with only a hint of potential romance)

means that this one will likely appeal to male and female readers alike. Debut author Lu has managed a great feat—emulating a highly successful young adult series while staying true to her own voice. **Legend will give Hunger Games fans something worthwhile to read.**”

STARRED REVIEW from *LIBRARY MEDIA CONNECTION*:

“**This book stands out . . .**”

FROM KAMI GARCIA, *New York Times* bestselling co-author of the Beautiful Creatures trilogy

“A romantic thriller set in a post-apocalyptic world where nothing is what it seems—**Legend is impossible to put down and even harder to forget.**”

FROM SARAH REES BRENNAN, author of The Demon Lexicon trilogy

“A compelling dystopic world, with diverse characters, high tension and political intrigue. **[If you liked the Hunger Games, you'll love this.]**”

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## *Prodigy*

**The second book in Marie Lu’s *New York Times* bestselling *Legend* trilogy—perfect for fans of *The Hunger Games* and *Divergent*!**

June and Day arrive in Vegas just as the unthinkable happens: the Elector Primo dies, and his son Anden takes his place. With the Republic edging closer to chaos, the two join a group of Patriot rebels eager to help Day rescue his brother and offer passage to the Colonies. They have only one request—June and Day must assassinate the new Elector. It’s their chance to change the nation, to give voice to a people silenced for too long.

But as June realizes this Elector is nothing like his father, she’s haunted by the choice ahead. What if Anden is a new beginning? What if revolution must be more than loss and vengeance, anger and blood—what if the Patriots are wrong?

In this highly-anticipated sequel to the *New York Times* bestseller *Legend*, Lu delivers a breathtaking thriller with high stakes and cinematic action.

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## *Praise for Prodigy*

Featured on **ENTERTAINMENT WEEKLY’S MUST-LIST!**

From *THE LOS ANGELES TIMES*:

“Marie Lu has beaten the curse with *Prodigy*. . . it has all the chivalry of *Robin Hood* and all the shine and grime of *Blade Runner*. . . The well-drawn worlds, political undercurrents and the believability of the characters make it all feel fresh . . . **Lu proves that a Book 2 needn’t play second fiddle**, providing intrigue and deep pleasure all its own.”

From THE *NEW YORK JOURNAL OF BOOKS*:

“. . . **clear your calendar** to allow yourself the luxury of reading this book in one or two sittings. **You will be shaken** . . .”

STARRED REVIEW from *PUBLISHERS WEEKLY*:

“Lu opts for a **high simmer of intrigue** in her sequel to *Legend*...taut and insightful.”

STARRED REVIEW from *SHELF AWARENESS*:

“**Stunning follow-up** to *Legend* . . . The thrilling action and futuristic settings are **sure to please fans of *Divergent***.”

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## *Champion*

**The explosive finale to Marie Lu’s *New York Times* bestselling *Legend* trilogy—perfect for fans of *The Hunger Games* and *Divergent*!**

He is a Legend.

She is a Prodigy.

Who will be Champion?

June and Day have sacrificed so much for the people of the Republic—and each other—and now their country is on the brink of a new existence. June is back in the good graces of the Republic, working within the government’s elite circles as Princeps Elect while Day has been assigned a high level military position. But neither could have predicted the circumstances that will reunite them once again. Just when a peace treaty is imminent, a plague outbreak causes panic in the Colonies, and war threatens the Republic’s border cities. This new strain of plague is deadlier than ever, and June is the only one who knows the key to her country’s defense. But saving the lives of thousands will mean asking the one she loves to give up everything he has. With heart-pounding action and suspense, Marie Lu’s bestselling trilogy draws to a stunning conclusion.

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## *Praise for Champion*

***New York Times* bestseller**

**YALSA BFYA**

**ALA Top 10 nominee**

**Chicago Public Library Best Book**

**VOYA YA Perfect Ten List**

**Bank Street Best Book**

**Featured on *Entertainment Weekly*’s Must-List**