



***Furyborn* by Claire Legrand**

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*Age Range: 14-18 (Suggested by Publisher)

Grade Range: Gr 10 Up (Recommended by *School Library Journal*)

BOOK SYNOPSIS

The first book in the instant *New York Times* bestselling series, the Empirium Trilogy!

***Furyborn* is an epic YA fantasy about two fiercely independent young women, centuries apart, who hold the power to save their world...or doom it.**

When assassins ambush her best friend, Rielle Dardenne risks everything to save him, exposing herself as one of a pair of prophesied queens: a queen of light, and one of blood. To prove she is the Sun Queen, Rielle must endure seven elemental magic trials. If she fails, she will be executed as the Blood Queen...unless the trials kill the queen first.

One thousand years later, the legend of Queen Rielle is a fairy tale to Eliana Ferracora. A bounty hunter for the Undying Empire, Eliana believes herself untouchable—until her mother vanishes. To find her, Eliana joins a rebel captain and discovers that the evil at the empire's heart is more terrible than she ever imagined.

As Rielle and Eliana fight in a cosmic war that spans millennia, their stories intersect, and the shocking connections between them ultimately determine the fate of their world—and of each other.

REVIEWS AND PRAISE

“A dark yet rousing adventure story that combines passion and danger at every turn.” —*Booklist*

“A page—turner. Readers will find the complex and flawed characters immensely relatable. The two narratives are deftly interwoven, and plot twists will keep teens on the edge of their seats.” —*School Library Journal*

“High stakes, epic scope, intense action, and sweeping mythologies.” —*Kirkus Reviews*

“This first book of a planned trilogy will not supply all of the answers but will nevertheless enthrall fans of epic fantasy. Highly recommended.” —*School Library Connection, Highly Recommended*

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★ “Strikingly vivid prose...the nearly five hundred pages race by in stunning fashion. This is a must—have for fans of Marchetta’s Lumatere Chronicles (*Finnikin of the Rock*, or Cashore’s *Graceling*.” —***Bulletin of the Center for Children’s Books*, starred review**

“For those looking for some serious girl power in their “Game of Thrones”—style epics.” —***USA Today***

“Claire Legrand’s *Furyborn* is as complex as the angels it depicts—captivating and lovely, volatile and deadly. The contrast of elegant, stately court politics with gritty, blood—soaked war is balanced perfectly alongside shifting timelines, blurred prophecies, and a sprawling cast of characters, each more alluring than the last. *Furyborn* is a sexy, luscious shiver of a book.” —**Sara Raasch, *New York Times* bestselling author of the *Snow Like Ashes* Trilogy**

“I absolutely adored *Furyborn*! Fantasy is not a genre I typically enjoy, but there was something about this fast—paced story and the strong, female protagonists that really drew me in. 512 pages flew by and I cannot wait for book two!” —**Dana Treichler, Library Associate, Princeton Public Library (Princeton, NJ)**

“I tried to stop reading *Furyborn* and go to bed... then I got up and kept going. Epic in scope, endless in imagination, this book will grab hold of you and refuse to let go.” —**Amie Kaufman, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Illuminae Files* and the *Starbound* Trilogy**

“*Furyborn* by Claire Legrand is the epic start to a YA fantasy trilogy focused on two very different and fascinating young women, a delicious villain, non—stop action, and heart—pounding romance. A fantastic read!” —**Morgan Rhodes, *New York Times* bestselling author of the *Falling Kingdoms* series**

“Beautiful, brutal, heart—stopping, and epic, *Furyborn* is a world to lose yourself in—just bring weapons. It’s dangerous there.” —**Laini Taylor, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Strange the Dreamer* and the *Daughter of Smoke and Bone* saga**

“Immersive and intricate, *Furyborn* is a kick-you-in-the-teeth and grab-you-by-the-heart tale of two queens.” —**Roshani Chokshi, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Star-Touched Queen* and *A Crown of Wishes***

“*Furyborn* is epic and unforgettable. I was immediately captivated by the story of two powerful young women fighting to survive in this vivid, unique fantasy world. A must—read!” — **Amy Tintera, *New York Times* bestselling author of the *Ruined* trilogy**

AWARDS AND ACCOLADES

- Instant *New York Times* Bestseller
- 2018 Junior Library Guild Selection
- 2019 Spirit of Texas Reading Program (SPOT)
- #1 May 2018 LibraryReads Pick
- #2 Summer 2018 Kids' Indie Next Pick
- ILA 2019 Young Adults' Choices Reading List
- 2018 Cybils: Children's and Young Adult Bloggers' Literary Awards
- 2018 Kids' Book Choice Awards
- 2019 Teen Choice Book Award Finalist
- A BuzzFeed Most Anticipated Title of Spring 2018

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- A Goodreads Most Anticipated Title of Spring 2018
- A Bustle Most Anticipated Title of Spring 2018

MEDIA AND RESOURCES

- [Discussion Guide](#)
- [Goodreads Q&A with Claire Legrand](#)
- [Professional Book Nerds Podcast Interview with Claire Legrand](#)
- [Booktopia: Claire Legrand answers Ten Terrifying Questions](#)

RESPONSE TO CHALLENGES

[NEWSWEEK](#): Full List of 21 Books Banned by Virginia School Board

- Virginia's Madison County School, VA.
- Book removed
- “In a library, the idea is that you have the ultimate choice. We never would encourage a student to read a book that would make them uncomfortable,” Thorsen said. “But we do want to have representation so that all students can see themselves in library books and see that this is a place for them.” [–The Revolution](#)

[DES MOINES REGISTER](#): Bondurant-Farrar School Board reverses decision to permanently remove books

- Bondurant-Farrar School, IA
- “A federal judge blocked the state from enforcing the ban and curriculum restrictions while legal action continues over the law in court.”

AUTHOR STATEMENT (OPTIONAL)

*A NOTE ON AGE RANGES

A publisher—suggested age range covers the gamut of readers that publishers envision using the book, whether for independent reading, family sharing, group study, or in other ways. Educators have the best sense of the appropriate age range for the diverse learners they work with and understand these ranges vary depending on a book’s intended use.

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