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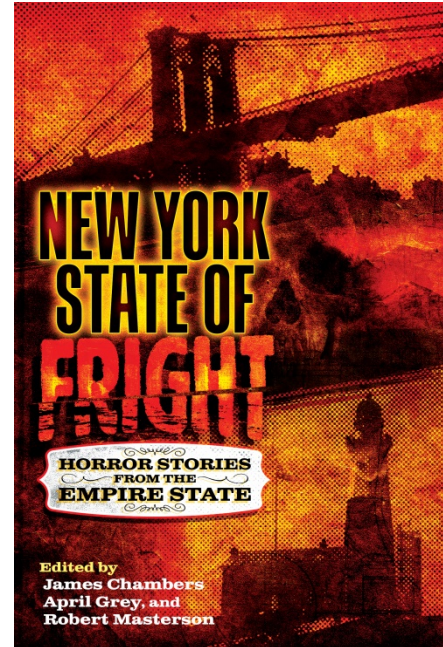
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**A NEW YORK STATE OF FRIGHT: HORROR STORIES FROM THE EMPIRE STATE**

*A New York Horror anthology from Hippocampus Press to Benefit Mentoring Group, Girls Write Now*

Hippocampus Press, editors James Chambers, April Grey, and Robert Masterson, and twenty-five authors are thrilled to announce the forthcoming publication of an anthology of New York horror stories to raise funds for the non-profit writing organization, Girls Write Now.

*A New York State of Fright: Horror Stories from the Empire State* presents twenty-four tales of darkness and fear by New York authors and set in New York City and state. This collection of original and reprinted stories showcases many unique voices in dark fiction and settings from the fashion world of Midtown Manhattan to the sinister history of upstate New York. Readers will encounter the loneliness of a living on the street; the fearsome quirks of the upstate wilds; a city punished by nature; unpleasant histories buried beneath modern parks and buildings; lost moments from a famous boardwalk; a New York City where the walking dead are just another fact of life; razor sharp satire of the gap between rich and poor; forgotten relics of the old city warehoused in Brooklyn, and much, much more.



The authors, editors, and publishers will donate all proceeds from the sales of *A New York State of Fright* to Girls Write Now, a New York organization that mentors underserved young women to help them find their voices through the power of writing and community. For 20 years, Girls Write Now has matched teen girls with women professional writers and media makers as their personal mentors. Their mentees, more than 90 percent girls of color and 90 percent high need, publish in outlets such as *The New York Times*, *Newsweek*, and *BuzzFeed*; perform at Lincoln Center and the United Nations; and earn hundreds of scholastic art & writing awards. One hundred percent of Girls Write Now seniors go on to college. Girls Write Now has been distinguished three times by the White House as one of the nation's top youth programs and twice by the Nonprofit Excellence Awards as one of New York's top ten nonprofits.

Award-winning and new authors include: Marc Abbott, Meghan Arcuri, Alp Beck, Allan Burd, Elizabeth Crowens, John C. Foster, J.G. Faherty, Trevor Firetog, Patrick Frievald, Teel James Glenn, Amy Grech, Grady Hendrix, Erik T. Johnson, Hal Johnson, Jack Ketchum and Edward Lee, Charlie D. LaMarr, Lisa Mannetti, Monica O'Rourke, Patrick Thomas, David Sakmyster, Kathleen Scheiner, Jeff C. Stevenson, J. Daniel Stone, and Steven Van Patten.

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