

# The Silver Metal Lover

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Dust Elizabeth Bear 2007-12-26 On a broken ship orbiting a doomed sun, dwellers have grown complacent with their aging metal world. But when a serving girl frees a captive noblewoman, the old order is about to change.... Ariane, Princess of the House of Rule, was known to be fiercely cold-blooded. But severing an angel's wings on the battlefield—even after she had surrendered—proved her completely without honor. Captive, the angel Perceval waits for Ariane not only to finish her off—but to devour her very memories and mind. Surely her gruesome death will cause war between the houses—exactly as Ariane desires. But Ariane's plan may yet be opposed, for Perceval at once recognizes the young servant charged with her care. Rien is the lost child: her sister. Soon they will escape, hoping to stop the impending war and save both their houses. But it is a perilous journey through the crumbling hulk of a dying ship, and they do not pass unnoticed. Because at the hub of their turning world waits Jacob Dust, all that remains of God, following the vapor wisp of the angel. And he knows they will meet very soon.

When You Reach Me Rebecca Stead 2011-09-01 Miranda's life is starting to unravel. Her best friend, Sal, gets punched by a kid on the street for what seems like no reason, and he shuts Miranda out of his life. The key that Miranda's mum keeps hidden for emergencies is stolen. And then a mysterious note arrives: 'I am coming to save your friend's life, and my own. I ask two favours. First, you must write me a letter.' The notes keep coming, and Miranda slowly realises that whoever is leaving them knows things no one should know. Each message brings her closer to believing that only she can prevent a tragic death. Until the final note makes her think she's too late.

The Silver Metal Lover 1985

Metallic Love Tanith Lee 2015-12-17 As an orphan growing up in the slums, Loren read her clandestine copy of Jane's Story over and over, relishing every word. But Loren is no Jane. Savvy and street-smart, Loren could never be stirred by a man of metal, her passion never ignited by an almost-human - even one designed for pleasure. Still, when the META corporation does the unthinkable and brings back updated versions of robots past-Loren knows she must see Silver. And just like Jane, it is love at first sight. But Silver is now Verlis. If he was perfection before, he is now like a god. Yet he is more human than his creators think - or fear. While Loren doesn't quite trust him, she will follow her twice-born lover into a battle to control his own destiny - one that will reveal to her the most astonishing illusion of all.

The Book of the Damned Tanith Lee 2016-02-02 The award-winning author of *The Birthgrave* invites you to Paradys, an alternate Paris, with three tales of dark magic, eroticism, and gothic fantasy. Three novellas from Tanith Lee—World Fantasy Award winner, Nebula finalist, and the first woman to win the British Fantasy Award for best novel—cast shadows on the history of the City of Light. Stained with Crimson: In the nineteenth century, poet Andre St Jean comes into possession of a ruby scarab ring, only to discover it belongs to the pale-skinned, ebony-eyed Antonina von Aaron, the most beautiful woman in Paradys. Preying upon Andre, she taps into his deepest, darkest desires, drawing him into her vampiric world of gender shapeshifting and bloody nightmares . . . Malice in Saffron: In the Middle Ages, young Jehanine has had her innocence torn from her by her brutal stepfather. Fleeing to Paradys, she seeks sympathy from her stepbrother, Pierre, who accuses her of lying and casts her out into the inhospitable streets. Finding refuge in a nunnery, Jehanine tries to live in God's grace. But when dusk falls, she transforms into her male alter ego, Jehan. Prowling the alleyways with a gang of Devil-worshippers, he stalks the city's denizens, unknowingly sowing the seeds for the fall of Paradys . . . Empire of Azure: In the early twentieth century, writer Anna Sanjeanne receives a cryptic note from a mysterious man: "In a week or less, I shall be dead." On the predicted date, Anna follows the stranger's trail. A chain of clues—a shattered window, a hanging corpse, a leather-bound diary, and a portrait of an unknown woman—soon lead the young journalist toward a sinister and ancient force . . . Told with lush fantastical prose and an acute aesthetic sense, *The Book of the Damned* ventures into a morbid and disquieting parallel world, exploring the recesses of identity, gender, and sexual transgression that lie within.

Introduction to AI Robotics, second edition Robin R. Murphy 2019-10-01 A comprehensive survey of artificial intelligence algorithms and programming organization for robot systems, combining theoretical rigor and practical applications. This textbook offers a comprehensive survey of artificial intelligence (AI) algorithms and programming organization for robot systems. Readers who master the topics covered will be able to design and evaluate an artificially intelligent robot for applications involving sensing, acting, planning, and learning. A background in AI is not required; the book introduces key AI topics from all AI subdisciplines throughout the book and explains how they contribute to autonomous capabilities. This second edition is a major expansion and reorganization of the first edition, reflecting the dramatic advances made in AI over the past fifteen years. An introductory overview provides a framework for thinking about AI for robotics, distinguishing between the fundamentally different design paradigms of automation and autonomy. The book then discusses the reactive functionality of sensing and acting in AI robotics; introduces the deliberative functions most often associated with intelligence and the capability of autonomous initiative; surveys multi-robot systems and (in a new chapter) human-robot interaction; and offers a "metaview" of how to design and evaluate autonomous systems and the ethical considerations in doing so. New material covers locomotion, simultaneous localization and mapping, human-robot interaction, machine learning, and ethics. Each chapter includes exercises, and many chapters provide case studies. Endnotes point to additional reading, highlight advanced topics, and offer robot trivia.

Electric Forest Tanith Lee 2013-05-06 The world called Indigo turned upside down for Magdala Cled one unexpected morning. From being that world's only genetic misfit, the shunned outcast of an otherwise ideal society, she became the focus of attention for mighty forces. Once they had installed her in the midst of the Electric Forest, with its weird trees and its super-luxurious private home, Magdala awoke to the potentials which were opening up all about her. And to realize also the peril that now seemed poised above Indigo...which only she, the hated one, could possible circumvent.

The Silver Metal Lover Sf Tanith Lee

Something Red Douglas Nicholas 2013-06-18 "During the thirteenth century, in northwest England, in one of the coldest winters in living memory, a formidable middle-aged Irishwoman and her little troupe are trying to drive their three wagons across the Pennines before the heavy snows set in. Molly, her powerful and enigmatic lover Jack, her fey granddaughter Nemain, and the young apprentice Hob soon find that something terrible prowls the woods through which they must make their way. As they travel from refuge to refuge, it becomes apparent that the evil must be faced, and it is then that Hob learns how much more there is to his adopted family than he had ever imagined"--

Islands in the Sky Tanith Lee 1999 While climbing a tree to rescue a kite, eleven-year-old Hope is pulled into the sky, away from the reality of life in London in 1867, and into a world of magic.

Space Is Just a Starry Night Tanith Lee 2013 The tales in *Space Is Just a Starry Night* range across genres, as elegant as the field of stars

spanning a clear dark sky. A lone survivor of plague receives a mysterious visitor; a prison planet tortures political prisoners by methodically manipulating their memories; a young woman uncovers the ghastly truth about the cryogenically preserved ancestor who's been thawed; a ship's officer struggles with his suspicions about a shy drab woman taking passage aboard a ship of sun-worshippers-Tanith Lee explores these and other scenarios in her ever intense sensual prose. Book jacket.

Sung in Shadow Tanith Lee 2014-11-27 In a parallel world, in a Renaissance Italy just a little bit different from that we know, a dashing young man named Romulan met a lovely young lady named Luletta. But between their romance stood the hatred of their feuding families - and a witchcraft that really worked.

Lighthousekeeping Jeanette Winterson 2006-04-03 An orphaned girl is held spellbound by the tales of a lighthouse keeper on the Scottish coast, in a novel by the Costa Award-winning author of *The Passion*. After her mother is literally swept away by the savage winds off the Atlantic coast of Salts, Scotland, never to be seen again, the orphaned Silver is feeling particularly unmoored. Taken in by the mysterious keeper of a lighthouse on Cape Wrath, Silver finds an anchor in Mr. Pew—blind, as old and legendary as a unicorn, and a yarn spinner of persuasive power. The tale he has to tell Silver is that of a nineteenth-century clergyman named Babel Dark, whose life was divided between a loving light and a mask of deceit. Peopled with such luminaries as Charles Darwin and Robert Louis Stevenson, Mr. Pew's story within a story within a story soon unfolds like a map. It's one that Silver must follow if she's to be led through her own darkness, and to find her own meaning in life, in this novel by a winner of the Costa, Lambda, and E.M. Forster Awards, the author of *Oranges are Not the Only Fruit*; *Why Be Happy When You Could Be Normal?* and other acclaimed works. "In her sea-soaked and hypnotic eighth novel, Winterson turns the tale of an orphaned young girl and a blind old man into a fable about love and the power of storytelling...Atmospheric and elusive, Winterson's high-modernist excursion is an inspired meditation on myth and language."—*The New Yorker*

Clipjoint Wilhelmina Baird 1994 Two years after taking part in a cyber-film to make enough money to leave Earth--a film that left their friend Dosh dead and them fleeing for their lives--Cass and Moke return to uncover the truth about the tragedy. Original.

Don't Bite the Sun Tanith Lee 2013-05-20 It's jang to be wild and sexy and reckless and teen-age. It's jang to do daredevil tricks and even get killed a few times...you could always come alive again. It's jang to change your body, to switch your sex, to do anything you want to keep up with the crowd. But there comes a time when you begin to think about serious things, to want to do something valid. And that's when you find out there are rules beyond the rules and that the world is something else than all they'd taught you.

Primary Inversion Catherine Asaro 1996-05-15 The Skolian Empire rules a third of the civilized galaxy through its mastery of faster-than-light communication. But war with the rival empire of the Traders seems imminent, a war that can only lead to slavery for the Skolians or the destruction of both sides. Destructive skirmishes have already occurred. A desperate attempt must be made to avert total disaster.

Tanith Lee: on *The Silver Metal Lover* Tanith Lee 2009

Sabella Tanith Lee 2020-07-28 This repackaged edition of a classic sci-fi tale from a master storyteller explores the life of a vampire on a Mars-like colony as she struggles to hide her true nature. On the rosy sands of a distant Earth colony, Sabella lives a quiet life in her isolated home—carefully hiding her vampirism from society. Sabella may not be undead, but she is painfully allergic to sunlight, possesses supernatural strength and speed, and feeds on fresh blood. In her youth, Sabella seduced a number of men, killing them all for fear of discovery. But with age comes control, and Sabella has sworn off of drinking human blood. After four years of staying clean, Sabella receives an invitation to her Aunt Cassi's funeral—along with several thousand credits to ensure she attends the reading of the will. But when Sabella arrives at the funeral, she discovers that the funds were a ruse. Before her death, Cassi—a devout Christian Revivalist—discovered the truth about Sabella and tasked her manservant, John Trim, to hunt Sabella down. Trim hires private investigator Sand Vincent to get close to Sabella and suss out the truth. But Sand is only human—and Sabella anything but. As Sand becomes enthralled by Sabella's charm, Sabella must combat her own instincts to keep him alive—and society's suspicions away.

Red Unicorn Tanith Lee 2016-04-28 The exciting sequel to *Black Unicorn* and *Gold Unicorn*! The young wanderer Tanaquil can mend anything that is broken - except her own heart. With the engagement of her beloved Honj to her sister, Empress Lizra, she returns home to her sorcerous mother - and her mother's new lover, the magician Worabex. Caught up in their combined magic, Tanaquil and her mischievous familiar - a literal pet peeve - find themselves in a parallel world where she meets Tanakil, a mirror-image princess with murder on her mind.

Night's Master Tanith Lee 2009-09-01 Long time ago when the Earth was flat, beautiful indifferent Gods lived in the airy Upperearth realm above, curious passionate demons lived in the exotic Underearth realm below, and mortals were relegated to exist in the middle. Azhrarn, Lord of the Demons and the Darkness, was the one who ruled the Night, and many mortal lives were changed because of his cruel whimsy. And yet, Azhrarn held inside his demon heart a profound mystery which would change the very fabric of the Flat Earth forever.--Back cover.

Days of Grass Tanith Lee 2013-06-24 The free humans lived underground, secretive, like rats. Above, the world was a fearsome place for them - the open sky a terror, the night so black, and the striding machines from space so laser-flame deadly. Esther dared the open; she saw the sky; she saw the Enemy. And she was taken - captive - to the vast alien empty city. Surrounded by marvels of a science not born on earth, Esther did not know what they wanted of her. There was mystery in the city, dread in the heavens, and magic in the handsome alien man who came to her.

Quest for the White Witch Tanith Lee 2015-04-30 He called himself by the name of the father he had never known, Vazkor, king of a forgotten land. In his veins were mingled the blood of that regal warrior and that of his witch mother, the silver-masked, snowy-haired survivor of the hated Old Race. He had sworn that she would die at his hands in the name of his father and all that his world had become. Across that barbaric and age-haunted planet his quest went relentlessly on. As he searched, so grew his own powers, his fearful heritage. Across wide seas, in conquered cities, and among haunted mountains, the hunt took him. And as he drew closer to his objective, the clearer became the way she must be slain, the more certain his ability to sunder all her witchcraft and ancient science to rid the world once and for all of his creator - the white witch from the volcano.

One for Me and One to Share Gregory Elgstrand 2012 Illustrated with over thirty-six colour reproductions, the essays and interviews in *One For Me and One to Share: Artists' Multiples and Editions* addresses artists' multiples as a new means of reproduction, circulations, and reception.

They Both Die at the End Adam Silvera 2017-09-05 Adam Silvera reminds us that there's no life without death and no love without loss in this devastating yet uplifting story about two people whose lives change over the course of one unforgettable day. #1 New York Times bestseller \* 4 starred reviews \* A School Library Journal Best Book of the Year \* A Kirkus Best Book of the Year \* A Booklist Editors' Choice \* A Bustle Best YA Novel \* A Paste Magazine Best YA Book \* A Book Riot Best Queer Book \* A Buzzfeed Best YA Book of the Year \* A BookPage Best YA Book of the Year On September 5, a little after midnight, Death-Cast calls Mateo Torrez and Rufus Emeterio to give them some bad news: They're going to die today. Mateo and Rufus are total strangers, but, for different reasons, they're both looking to make a new friend on their End Day. The good news: There's an app for that. It's called the Last Friend, and through it, Rufus and Mateo are about to meet up for one last great adventure—to live a lifetime in a single day. In the tradition of *Before I Fall* and *If I Stay*, *They Both Die at the End* is a tour de force from acclaimed author Adam Silvera, whose debut, *More Happy Than Not*, the New York Times called "profound." Plus don't miss *The First to Die at the End*: #1 New York Times bestselling author Adam Silvera returns to the universe of international phenomenon *They Both Die at the End* in this prequel. New star-crossed lovers are put to the test on the first day of Death-Cast's fateful calls.

The Castle of Dark Tanith Lee 2014-06-30 Although she leads an overprotected life with the two old hags, Lilune knows she possesses a special gift. When she 'calls' the musician, Lir, to her prison-like castle, she knows she must avail herself of the opportunity to escape and explore the world. But travelling south of the castle, Lilune and Lir realize that they aren't alone - for an ancient, infectious evil accompanies them, which instills terror in everyone they meet. Lir dislikes arrogant Lilune, but finds himself intrigued by her and the source of the evil. Is it within Lilune, or does it come from a deeper source? When the pair become separated, he carries on searching for her. Finally, Lilune returns to

her castle in despair, believing that she must be imprisoned to protect the world from the evil within her. But Lir follows her, and discovers that the root of the evil lies deep beneath the castle...

**Pug Coloring Book** Pug Coloring Notes 2020-09-08 Let Your Imagination Soar By Using The Colors Of Your Choice This Pug Coloring Book Is Filled With 50 Different & Creative Pug Designs, With Richly Detailed Line Art. Each Page Is Unique, As Well As Holds A Different Sort Of Theme, As Each Pug Is Doing Something Else And Often Staged With Various Items. The Books Includes Beautiful And Motivational Quotes On Every Other Page To Color In And Get A Unique Perspective While Enjoying Coloring The Amazing Drawings In This Book. Pages Are Single Sided Why You Will Absolutely Love this Book Relaxing Coloring Pages - Every Page You Color Will Pull You Into A Relaxing World Where Your Responsibilities Will Seem To Fade Away... Beautiful Illustrations - We've Included 50 Unique Images For You To Express Your Creativity And Make Masterpieces. You Can Use Markers, Gel Pens, Pencils And Watercolors. Everything Goes! Something Extra - We've Given Beautiful And Chilling Quotes On Every Other Page Single-Sided Pages. All Drawings Are Single Sided To Reduce The Bleed-Through Problem Found In Other Coloring Books Great For All Skill Levels. It Matches Perfectly To Your Skill Level & Coloring Experience, As It's Suitable For Beginners And Experts ?????? Additional Features ??????? - Size - 8.5 x 11 inches - Premium Matte Finish Soft Cover - Printed On Quality Cream Paper - Professional Trade Binding - Cool Cover - Notebook Stands Out With Its Unique Design ? Well Crafted Interior - We Only Used Thick, White Paper To Avoid Ink Bleed-Through. The Pages Can Be Easily Marked So It Is Easy To Cross Reference ? Notebook That's Build To Last - The Sturdy Cover Is Made Of Tough Paperback With Strong, Secure Professional Trade Binding So The Pages Won't Fall Apart After A Few Months Of Usage. We Want Our Log Book To Last For You So You Can Look Back Years After Use Conveniently We Stand For Quality And Aim To Provide The Best Writing Experience And Quality Interiors With Our Notebooks Pug Lovers And Coloring Enthusiasts Would Definitely Love This One! You Will Love The Little Details Around The Pugs And Even A Few On The Pugs, Directly To Break Up The Open Space In The Picture. Grab Your Copy Now And Relax.....

**When Time Stood Still** K. S. Adkins 2015-08-06 Our lives are spent watching the clock. We go to sleep by it. Wake up to it. Rely on it. Race it. It's easy to forget that we're only given so much. We ignore it because we're convinced we'll always have more. I am proof that we aren't promised anything. The clock owes us nothing. I know this because not only was Time my name, I wasn't given enough of it. Sure I had challenges but I vowed to make the most of it, of my young life. My limitations wouldn't hold me back. Time was on my side. Then I was told otherwise. Now the clock was working against me. I would face this disease alone. Then he walked in and changed everything. He gave me a reason to fight. He helped me prepare. Like others before me, when time slowed I wasn't ready. I begged for more. But the clock, it stopped for no one. On the day my world went black, I refused to take him with me. Only he didn't listen. I was a doctor. A bringer of bad news. I read the chart. She was fucked. My hands, they were tied. I was a doctor who could not heal what was beyond that door. I had no hope to offer her. But I wanted this over with. The sooner the better. I walked in, looked up and saw color. Not one. All of them. They surrounded her. She was a patient. You did not cross that line. I would not cross that line. I should have kept my eyes closed. Life was easier when you didn't see. But they were open now. They saw her. They saw everything. Suddenly invisible lines ceased to matter. For me, Time mattered. How far would you go to make sure the one you loved had enough of it? Would you challenge the clock? Help them prepare? Could you watch them suffer? Could you accept a life without them in it? Or, would you follow them into the darkness? I did. This is our story.

**Black Unicorn** Tanith Lee 2015-04-30 Nobody knew where it had come from, or what it wanted. Not even Jaive, the sorceress, could fathom the mystery of the fabled beast. But Tanaquil, Jaive's completely unmagical daughter, understood it at once. She knew why the unicorn was there: It had come for her. It needed her. Tanaquil was amazed because she was the girl with no talent for magic. She could only fiddle with broken bits of machinery and make them work again. What could she do for a unicorn?

**When the Lights Go Out** Tanith Lee 2015-11-26 Hesta Web, with her hot red hair and her tough, guarded coldness, is trapped with a mother who hates her and a father who is mostly away earning money on an oil rig. When Hesta discovers that her mother and her mother's lover have had rampant sex in Hesta's bed, she absconds with her friend Janey to the seaside. It is the last day of the season, sun bright and sea sparkling. The bars and shops are open, the funfair spins round with shrieks and shouts. As night falls, the illuminations go on. But when Janey catches the last train to London, Hesta stays behind. She falls in with the gothic-looking, unpleasantly attractive Skilt and his subject colony of junkies and beggars. In a rotting hotel on the front, among the broken marble balustrades, the mouse-eaten rooms and the bonfire in the ballroom, Hesta takes up her new life. She hears drugged legends told beside the fire, the rumours of ghosts and the strangeness of the sea. For now the season has ended, the seaside is deserted, the illuminations are switched off, this place is very strange. Does Skilt know its secret? Should Hesta be wary of the blond man who watches her from the pier? And what happens when the lights go out? It's dark.

**The Silver Metal Lover** Molly Kaleo Bauckham 1998

**The Silver Metal Lover** Trina Robbins 2019 "Trina Robbins' graphic novel adaptation of Tanith Lee's timeless science fiction romance novel **THE SILVER METAL LOVER**. The story centers around a young girl, in the far flung future, who falls in love with a robot. This is the first and only reprint, since it's initial publication in 1985."--Publisher.

**Metallic Love** Tanith Lee 2010-02-01 twelve years have passed since the end of the Silver Metal Lover. Silver - the robot with a soul whom Jane had fallen in love with - has been melted down, and Jane has moved on. Loren is a slum child, abandoned by her mother and raised by the religious cult, the Apocalytes. One day, she discovers an illegal copy of Jane's book - the story of Jane and Silver's love that has become a cult classic - and it changes her life. Motivated by her desire to taste the life that Jane and Silver had, she runs away to the City. But Loren is not like the privileged and romantic Jane. Hard-edged and realistic, she sees the world through the eyes of the underclass. Loren's cynicism is shattered when a new company brings back the very robots that were destroyed twelve years before - only better, faster and more superhuman; if the original robots had been perfection, their descendants are now like gods. Then Loren meets the new Silver, who is nothing like the original, and she realises that maybe everything in Jane's book is nothing but a pack of lies. As beautifully and lyrically written as its predecessor, **Metallic Love** is both an improbable love story and a novel about illusions.

**The Moon Dragon (The Secrets of Droon #26)** Tony Abbott 2016-02-23 A hidden door. A magical staircase. Discover the world of Droon!

There's no place like home! Eric and his friends have finally restored the Rainbow Stairs, but that was the easy part. Now Gethwing is loose in the Upper World, and the Moon Dragon is causing big trouble. Eric, Julie, and Neal have to protect their town, but they're up against mysterious creatures, strangely-behaving parents, and powerful magic. Can the kids stop Gethwing before he destroys the Upper World -- for good?

**Ivoria** Tanith Lee 2014-09-30 Nick Lewis certainly has no liking for his TV historian brother, Laurence. Aside from anything else Nick blames him for the death of their mother, the beautiful actress Claudia Martin. And so, is it possible the off-handedly childish trick played by Nick on Laurence really does cast some kind of curse? Bizarre and unpleasant things begin to happen, without a doubt. And Nick himself is hardly immune. As the pattern of his secure yet eccentric life starts to come undone, he finds himself without remedies. Where has Laurence vanished to? What is the creepy Mr Pond's part in it all? And who is the apparently sinister Kitty Price? Can repressed hatred cause such disruption, danger, even death? Or has the object caused it, as Nick pretended it could: that little ivory counter from a stolen drawer... This is probably not a supernatural story. It might be less unsettling if it was.

**The Silver Metal Lover** Tanith Lee 2018-12-18 Tanith Lee is one of the most thought-provoking and imaginative authors of our time. In this unforgettably poignant novel, Lee has created a classic tale—a beautiful, tragic, sensual, and ultimately triumphant love story of the future. Love is made of more than mere flesh and blood. . . . For sixteen-year-old Jane, life is a mystery she despairs of ever mastering. She and her friends are the idle, pampered children of the privileged class, living in luxury on an Earth remade by natural disaster. Until Jane's life is changed forever by a chance encounter with a robot minstrel with auburn hair and silver skin, whose songs ignite in her a desperate and inexplicable passion. Jane is certain that Silver is more than just a machine built to please. And she will give up everything to prove it. So she escapes into the city's violent, decaying slums to embrace a love bordering on madness. Or is it something more? Has Jane glimpsed in Silver something no

one else has dared to see—not even the robot or his creators? A love so perfect it must be destroyed, for no human could ever compete? The Birthgrave Tanith Lee 2015-05-29 She woke from a sleep of countless years, reborn from the heart of a raging volcano. Her body was a masterpiece all men desired, her face a monstrosity that must go masked. Warrior, witch, goddess and slave, she was doomed to travel through a world of barbaric splendour, helped and betrayed by her lovers, searching for escape from the taint of her forgotten race, and the malice of the demon that haunted her.

Day by Night Tanith Lee 2021-08-03 This repackaged edition of a classic sci-fi tale from a master storyteller explores a planet of great contrasts, one side in perpetual light, the other in darkness. Vel Thaidis is a figment of Vitra's imagination. In a city with no sunlight, Vitra crafts dreams to entertain the masses. She enjoys a decadent life with the nobility while the lower class work and rot. Vitra's dreams are a mirror image of her life. Vel has a brother like her, knows a man like the one Vitra desires. Even the machines that take care of them, that no one remembers how to fix, are the same. Except in Vitra's dreams, no one can fix the machines when they slowly die, while they never break down in reality. Vitra will never fear being stuck in the dark with no machines to create light. Until she is. Vitra's dreams and reality are merging. She feels pushed into a corner, with no solution but the one her dreams have given her. In the end, Vitra may not have as much free will as she believes—and her dreams may be more real than she knows.

Greyglass Tanith Lee 2015-11-26 The house... always growing, adding to itself, blooming, decaying, becoming reborn... But Susan doesn't live in the house of Catherine, her grandmother. Instead, she grows up in a one parent family, with her mother, the glamorous and determined Anne. And Catherine, old forbidding and unkind, is only a nuisance. When Catherine dies, no one mourns. Why is it then that whenever some new problem swamps Susan's far from calm existence, she is driven to revisit the house? As when her mother takes up with the worrying Wizz. Or years later, at the end of a deeply-felt and broken love-affair of Susan's own. The house is always changing. As if at last it must achieve some irresistible transformation. Frankly, there is something uncanny about the house. Isn't there.

The Silver Metal Lover Tanith Lee 1999-12-01 Jane, a sixteen-year-old of the future, falls in love with Silver, an experimental robot so man-like that its manufacturer must recall it

The Paper Florist Suzi McLaughlin 2019-02-25 Paper flowers are not only beautiful, but also incredibly versatile. They can be used to create everything from simple home decorations and gorgeous gifts to unique centrepieces and decorative one-off bouquets, all made from the most basic and inexpensive materials. Suzi McLaughlin's step-by-step tutorials cover a beautiful array of flowers including bluebells, peonies, poppies, cherry blossom and more, and will teach everything you need to know. Make delicate lifelike flowers, or let your imagination run wild and use Suzi's techniques to create playful hybrids. Adorn your home with colour and style with just a few simple steps. The flowers are accompanied by templates for every shape used in the book, as well as instructions on how to display your creations to their full potential. Whether you want to make a gloriously blousy bouquet, a bejewelled cherry blossom branch or an impressive floral centrepiece, this book is sure to delight and inspire.