

A Little Mermaid retelling hit #1 on an Amazon list before it released

Featuring a girl who gives her voice up to run from a guy rather than toward him

TEXAS, UNITED STATES, May 26, 2023 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Creative James Media is proud to offer the debut novel from Robin Alvarez, *When Oceans Rise*, in bookstores everywhere.

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When Oceans Rise is a compelling tale of seventeen-year-old Malaya, who gives up her voice to a sea witch to escape an abusive relationship and focuses on themes of self-love, breaking generational trauma, and taking back the power of one's voice.

This Filipino Little Mermaid retelling is a fresh take on an old classic in which a girl gives up her voice to run away from a guy rather than toward him. *Midwest Review* highly recommends *When Oceans Rise* which, “...operates on more than one level.”

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When asked why Alvarez wrote about such heavy topics of abuse for a YA novel, she states, “I wrote this book because I wanted people, and especially young adults, to see the warning signs of gaslighting and abuse. Gaslighting in mental warfare, which is a slow stripping of one's power, and is often so subtle that victims do not see it happening to them until it is too late. I can't speak to everyone, but I want to give as many people as I can a voice.”

When Oceans Rise is available for order at [Barnes and Noble](#), [Amazon](#), [Target](#), and several indie bookstores.

Robin Alvarez is the author of the #1 New Release YA Ethnic Fairy Tale *When Oceans Rise* (May 2023). Strong female characters, mythological creatures, and mixed-race perspective are hallmarks of her work. While she's spent the majority of her life in beach towns, having almost

drowned several times, she currently resides in a desert where the waters are less likely to kill her – Creative James Media

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