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THE BOOK OF BASTARDS BY RANSOM STEPHENS

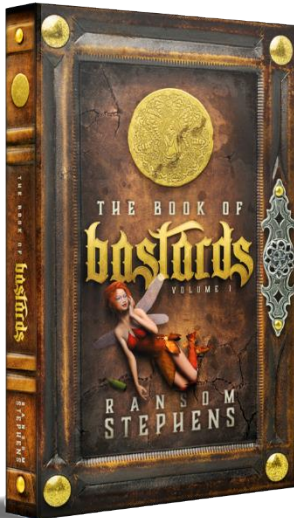
The Intoxicating Page will release Petaluma author Ransom Stephens' latest novel, *The Book of Bastards*, on January 14, 2021.

“The band played the old songs that never failed, songs of bawdiness washed down with a sip of moral justice: silly enough to raise a smile and sad enough to drop a tear.”

Bestselling science and science fiction author, Ransom Stephens, reinvents fantasy with the insightful gems, unique perspectives, and inside jokes you expect from the author of *The God Patent* and *The Left Brain Speaks but the Right Brain Laughs*. In a world of whimsical faeries, bigoted elves, affectionate mermaids (and merbutlers!), a tyrant incites a violent rebellion that destroys a delightful kingdom. Only a cursed innkeeper, a powerless queen, a handful of pirates, and a dozen bastards stand in the way of total devastation.

The Book of Bastards is a rollicking, bawdy tale. You'll laugh, you'll cry, you'll sing! You'll need a drink.

- Complete Press kit at: <https://rs-presskit.theintoxicatingpage.com>
- Book website: <https://bob.ransomstephens.com>
- Ebook, EPUB and Kindle (mobi) format, pre-order special 80% off MSRP of \$4.99, ISBN 978-1734635416
- Trade Paperback, 410 Pages, \$17.99, ISBN 978-1734635423 – available 14-Jan-2021
- Rated PG-13—sexual innuendo, swordplay



Welcome to The Gold Piece Inn, where you can drink, gamble, and play!
Or hide.

Cursed on the day the king is assassinated, Dewey Nawton is compelled to protect the widowed queen, but protection means different things to different people (and different curses).

Kings have dictated every role Queen Dafina has ever played. Now, a halfling innkeeper assigns her the role of serving lass. But is The Gold Piece Inn just another tavern? Could it be an orphanage? ... surely, it's not a brothel.

Oh yes, she's fallen from grace, but will that stop her from leading a handful of pirates and a dozen bastards to avenge her king and rescue Glandaeff's faeries, elves, and mermaids (and merbutlers!) from a brutal tyrant?

Dewey has a secret. Dafina has a secret. The Bastards have two secrets.
Is there even a sip of moral justice in all this bawdiness?

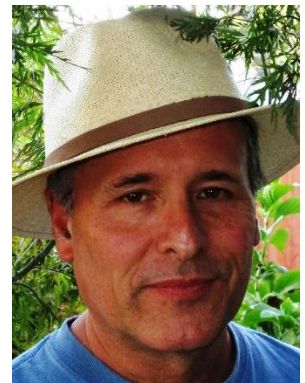
“Riveting, intense plot of righteous vengeance with tongue-in-cheek banter ... settings that make you wish they were real, characters you can't help but cheer for, and twists that keep you guessing!”

—Brian D Anderson, million-selling author of *The Bard and the Blade*.

“A delightful, detailed tale about morality, being honest with yourself, and self-reflection, even when you don't like what the glass has to show. A perfect treat for lovers of rich fantasy worldbuilding, gory battles, and the kind of thoughtful, character-driven stories that make your brain whirl, your imagination dance, and your heart surge.”

—J.M. Frey, bestselling author of *The Accidental Turn Series*.

About the Author: Novelist, speaker, and physicist, Ransom Stephens searched for the Holy Grail in Cornwall and Wales but settled for a cracked coffee mug. The author of four previous novels built on simple, non-controversial topics, like science vs religion in *The God Patent*, technology vs environmentalism in *The Sensory Deception*, oligarchy vs anarchy in *The 99% Solution*, and love vs money in *Too Rich to Die*, Ransom goes back to the old standard, good vs evil, in *The Book of Bastards*, offering readers what they always welcome, a story of bawdiness washed down with a sip of moral justice. Find more at <https://ransomstephens.com>



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- 14-Jan-2021, featured at The Fussy Librarian
- 16-Jan-2021, featured at Book Barbarian
- 17-Jan-2021, featured at Ereader News Today
- Blog Tour organized by RABT Book Tours & PR
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