Black Star Sweepstakes courtesy of Hachette Book Group USA - September 2024

Official Rules

NO PURCHASE IS NECESSARY TO ENTER OR WIN. A PURCHASE WILL NOT INCREASE YOUR CHANCES OF WINNING. VOID WHERE PROHIBITED OR RESTRICTED BY LAW.

- 1. Promotion Period: Black Star Sweepstakes courtesy of Hachette Book Group USA September 2024 (collectively, the "Promotion") commences at 12:00:01 AM Eastern Time ("ET") on the publication date of the post or page linking to these Official Rules and ends at 11:44:59 PM ET on the date stated in the post or page linking to these Official Rules (the "Promotion Period"). All entries must be received by 11:44:59 PM ET on the final day of the Promotion Period. Entries submitted past the expiration of the Promotion Period will not be accepted and will be destroyed.
- 2. Administrator/Sponsor: The Promotion shall be sponsored and administered by Riot New Media Group, Inc ("RNMG").

Eligibility: The Promotion is open only to legal residents of the fifty (50) United States, and the District of Columbia (excluding Puerto Rico and all other US territories), who are eighteen (18) years of age or older at the time of entry. Employees (and their immediate families (i.e., parents, spouse, children, siblings, grandparents, step parents, step children and step siblings and their respective spouses, regardless of where they reside) and members of the same household, whether or not related) of RNMG, its parent entity, affiliated companies, sponsors, subsidiaries, advertising and promotional agencies and third party fulfillment or judging agencies (collectively, the "Promotion Entities"), are not eligible to enter or win the Promotion.

3. How to Enter: To enter the Promotion, an entrant ("Entrant") must, via a standard web browser, visit the post or page linking to these Official Rules any time during the Promotion Period and submit requested contact information and electronically agree to these Official Rules. Upon completion of the entry, the Entrant will be automatically entered for an opportunity to win a Prize. Entrants may submit one (1) entry per valid email address. All entries become the property of RNMG.

Each Entrant, by entering the Promotion, agrees to abide by the terms of the Official Rules and the decisions of RNMG or its designated agent, which are final and legally binding in all respects. Should RNMG, determine, in its sole discretion, that any Entrant has violated any of the provisions in the Official Rules, RNMG shall have no obligation to award a Prize to such Entrant.

RNMG reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to disqualify any Entrant (1) it finds to be acting in violation of these Official Rules; (2) fails to comply with the Official Rules; or (3)

violates any federal or state, law, rule or regulation. RNMG reserves the right, in addition to the right to disqualify such Entrant, to seek damages and other remedies from any such Entrant to the fullest extent permitted by law.

4. Prizes: There are three (3) Grand Prize(s) (the "Prize") available to be won in the Promotion as follows: One (1) Grand Prize of Black Star and The Door of No Return by Kwame Alexander to each of three (3) winners.

The actual retail value ("ARV") of the Prizes available to be won in this Promotion is \$26.98 USD.

Winners may not substitute, assign or transfer Prizes or redeem Prizes for cash, but RNMG reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to substitute a Prize (or any portion thereof) with one of comparable or greater value. Further, RNMG reserves the right to forfeit or award any unclaimed or leftover Prizes at its sole discretion. Additional restrictions may apply.

- 5. Prize Awarding: The winners will be selected by random drawing no later than 10 business days after the conclusion of the Promotion, and will be notified via the email address provided in the contest submission. In order to receive any Prize, the winning Entrants will be required to respond to RNMG or its designated agent the fulfillment acceptance details, except where prohibited by law, within seven (7) calendar days. Failure to respond may result in forfeiture of the Prize, except where prohibited by law. All Prize awards are subject to verification eligibility as determined by RNMG in its sole discretion and strict compliance with these Official Rules.
- 6. Limitation on Liability: Entrants assume all risk of loss, damage, destruction, delay or misdirection of materials/mail/e-mail submitted to RNMG. By entering, each Entrant agrees to abide by the Official Rules and the decisions of RNMG, or its designated agent, which are final and legally binding in all respects. Each Entrant further agrees that Prizes are awarded upon the condition that the Entrants hold the Promotion Entities harmless from any and all injuries, losses, or damages of any kind to persons or property, including death, sustained, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, in connection with or resulting from acceptance, possession or use/misuse of the Prizes, or participation in this Promotion or participation in or travel to any Promotion or Prize-related activities. Entrants further acknowledge that the Promotion Entities have neither made, nor are in any manner responsible or liable for, any warranty, representation or guarantee, expressed or implied, in fact or in law, relative to any Prize. The Promotion Entities are not responsible for technical, hardware, software, or telephone failures of any kind, lost or unavailable network connections, fraud, incomplete, garbled, or delayed computer transmissions, whether caused by Promotion Entities, users, entrants or by any of the equipment or programming associated with or utilized in the Promotion or by technical or human error which may occur and/or which

may damage a user's system or limit an Entrant's ability to participate in the Promotion. CAUTION: ANY ATTEMPT BY AN ENTRANT TO DELIBERATELY DAMAGE ANY WEB SITE OR UNDERMINE THE LEGITIMATE OPERATION OF THIS PROMOTION IS A VIOLATION OF LAW. SHOULD AN ATTEMPT BE MADE. RNMG RESERVES THE RIGHT TO SEEK DAMAGES FROM ANY SUCH INDIVIDUAL TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW. If for any reason this Promotion is not capable of running as planned due to infection by computer virus, bugs, tampering, unauthorized intervention, fraud, technical failures, or any other causes beyond the control of the RNMG which corrupt or affect the administration, security, fairness, integrity, or proper conduct of this Promotion. RNMG reserves the right at its sole discretion, to disqualify any individual who tampers with the entry process, and/or to cancel, terminate, modify or suspend the Promotion or any element thereof and RNMG may conduct a random drawing to award the Prize using all eligible, non-suspect entries received as of the date of action requiring such termination. Should any provision of these Official Rules be deemed unenforceable or invalid, the other provisions of these Official Rules shall remain in full force and effect.

- 7. Use of Information: By accepting the Prize, the Winner consents to and gives RNMG and any other party authorized by RNMG the right to biographical information and/or statements about the Promotion for publicity, advertising, trade and promotional purposes in any and all media now known or hereafter discovered, worldwide, and on the world wide web without review, notification or approval, and without additional compensation, in perpetuity, except where prohibited by law.
- 8. Taxes: All income, sales and use tax and any other taxes (and the reporting thereof) imposed as a result of the award of a Prize and any other fees or costs associated with a Prize are solely the Winner's responsibility. It is the Winner's responsibility to understand and abide by any federal, state, provincial, local or foreign tax laws that may apply to receipt of a Prize. The Winner may be required to complete certain tax information reporting forms before or upon receipt of a Prize.
- 9. Governing Law: By completing the act of entering the Promotion, each Entrant agrees that the Promotion shall be governed by the laws of the State of Oregon. All issues and questions concerning the construction, validity, interpretation and enforceability of these Official Rules shall be governed and constructed in accordance with the laws of the State of Oregon, without regard to conflicts of laws.
- 10. Severability: If any provision of these Official Rules is determined to be invalid or unenforceable, the remaining provisions of these Official Rules shall otherwise remain in effect and shall be construed in accordance with their terms as if the invalid or unenforceable provision was not contained herein.

- 11. Amendment: RNMG reserves the right to modify the Official Rules for clarification purposes without materially affecting the terms and conditions of the Promotion.
- 12. Copy of Official Rules: For a copy of the Official Rules, please send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to:

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Riot New Media Group, Inc
4243 SE Belmont Street, Suite 100
Portland, OR 97215

13. Winner's List: For a copy of the Winners List, send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to:

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14. Sponsor:

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