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**Find your fate in the constellations:**

**new MG fantasy *The King of the Stars***

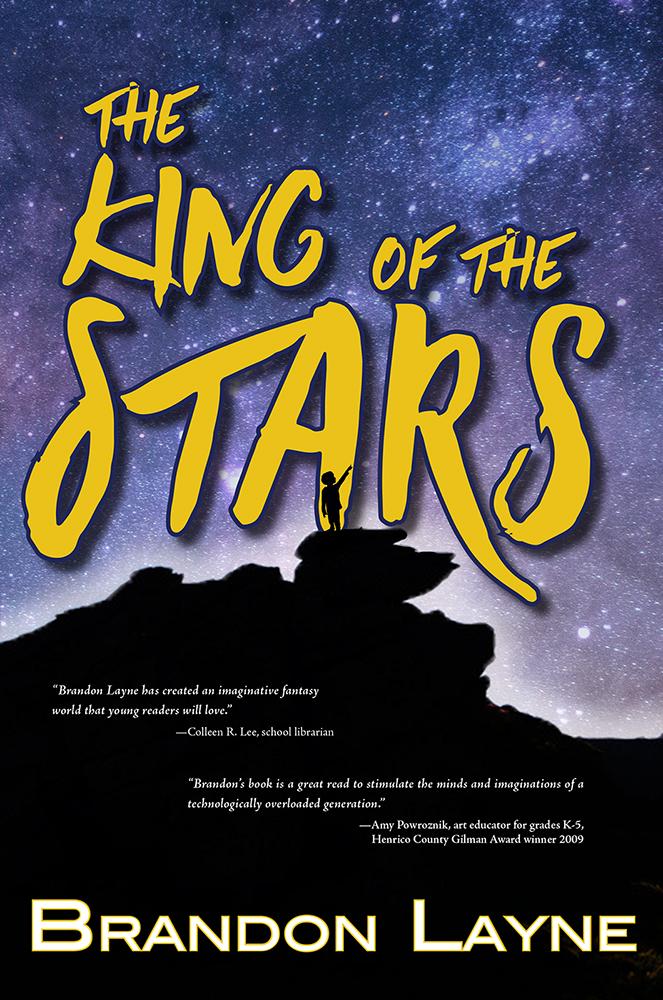
written by Brandon Layne

on sale August 24, 2019

“Brandon Layne has created an imaginative fantasy world that young readers will love.”

—Colleen R. Lee, school librarian

[Belle Isle Books](http://www.belleislebooks.com) is pleased to announce the upcoming release of the middle-grade fantasy book *The King of the Stars*, written by Brandon Layne. This celestial book takes place in a world where the stars foretell the future and dictate people’s lives. *The King of the Stars* is scheduled for release on August 24, 2019.



In the land of Kama, the stars are magical and constellations determine the future. Stars can even grant a person the power of astromy, enabling them to manipulate elements of nature. However, only one person is destined to be king. But of course, not everyone believes in the stars, and dark forces lurk with their own plans for the world.

Brian, the teenage son of a legendary warrior, is fated to possess the gift of earth astromy, but he can barely lift a rock. With a villainous overlord ruling the town, Brian needs to develop his skills -- and quickly. But then a strange boy appears in the woods, and Brian has the feeling there's more to this kid than meets the eye. It's a race against evil and against the odds to rightfully throne the king of the stars.

**About the Author:**[Brandon Layne](https://www.brandonlaynebooks.com/) is native to Richmond, Virginia, where he graduated from Highland Springs High School and attended Virginia Commonwealth University, graduating with a biomedical engineering degree and a minor in chemistry. Despite his scientific studies, he was always most passionate about creative writing, leading him to publish *The King of the Stars*. His other hobbies include poetry, playing piano and viola, dancing, photography, and performing on stage.

**Interviews available upon request.**

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