# The Year's Best Science Fiction: A Comprehensive Guide to the Finest Novels and Short Stories

Science fiction is a genre that has always pushed the boundaries of human imagination. It has explored the far reaches of space, the depths of the ocean, and the inner workings of the mind. In recent years, science fiction has become more popular than ever before, with new works being published every day. This can make it difficult to know where to start if you're looking for the best science fiction. That's why we've put together this guide to the year's best science fiction novels and short stories.



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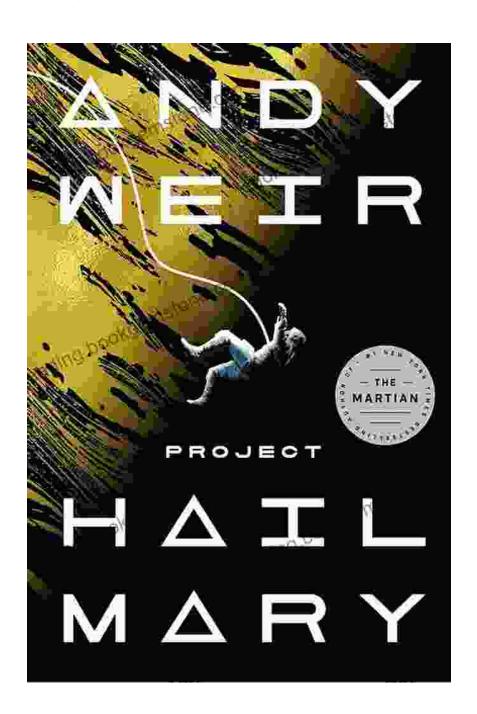
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#### The Best Science Fiction Novels of the Year

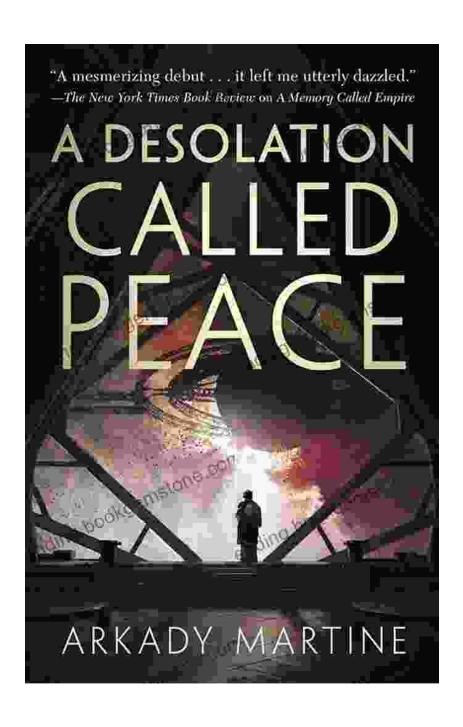
1. Project Hail Mary by Andy Weir

Andy Weir's latest novel is a gripping tale of survival and hope. It follows Ryland Grace, a scientist who is sent on a mission to save humanity from an alien threat. Grace is the only human on the mission, and he must learn to work with the aliens if he wants to succeed. *Project Hail Mary* is a thrilling and thought-provoking novel that will stay with you long after you finish it.



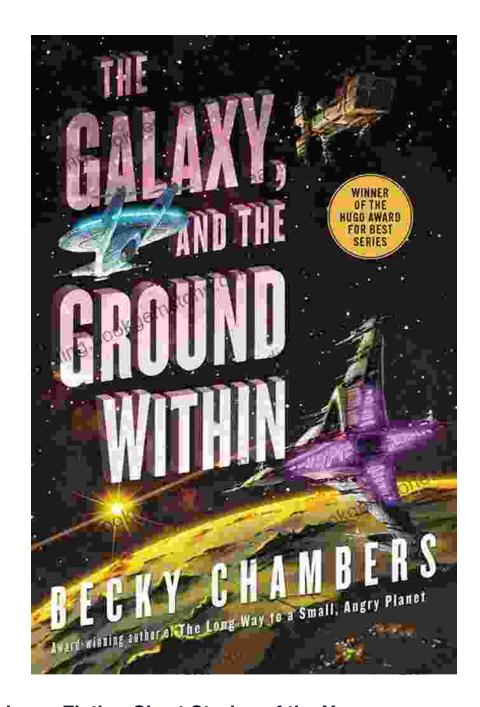
2. A Desolation Called Peace by Arkady Martine

Arkady Martine's *A Desolation Called Peace* is a sequel to her critically acclaimed novel, *A Memory Called Empire*. It follows Mahit Dzmare, the new ambassador from the Teixcalaan Empire to the Lsel Station. Mahit must navigate the complex politics of the station and try to prevent a war between her empire and the Lsel people. *A Desolation Called Peace* is a rich and complex novel that explores themes of identity, culture, and war.



#### 3. The Galaxy, and the Ground Within by Becky Chambers

Becky Chambers' *The Galaxy, and the Ground Within* is a standalone novel that follows the crew of the spaceship Wayfarer. The Wayfarer is a salvage ship that travels the galaxy, helping people in need. The crew is made up of a diverse group of characters, each with their own unique story. *The Galaxy, and the Ground Within* is a heartwarming and thought-provoking novel that explores themes of family, friendship, and love.



#### The Best Science Fiction Short Stories of the Year

### 1. "The Martian Obelisk" by Kim Stanley Robinson

Kim Stanley Robinson's "The Martian Obelisk" is a short story that follows a group of scientists who discover an alien obelisk on Mars.

The scientists must race against time to figure out what the obelisk is

and what it means for humanity. "The Martian Obelisk" is a thoughtprovoking and suspenseful story that will stay with you long after you finish it.

#### 2. "The Astronaut" by Ted Chiang

Ted Chiang's "The Astronaut" is a short story that follows a Chinese astronaut who is sent on a mission to space. The astronaut is the first human to travel to another planet, and he must confront the challenges of being alone in space. "The Astronaut" is a beautiful and haunting story that explores themes of loneliness, isolation, and the human spirit.

#### 3. "The Last Human" by Mike Resnick

Mike Resnick's "The Last Human" is a short story that follows the last human alive in the universe. The human is alone on a spaceship, and he is slowly dying. The human must come to terms with his mortality and the meaning of life. "The Last Human" is a moving and thought-provoking story that will stay with you long after you finish it.

These are just a few of the many great science fiction novels and short stories that were published this year. If you're looking for something to read that will challenge your mind and stay with you long after you finish it, then I highly recommend checking out one of these books.

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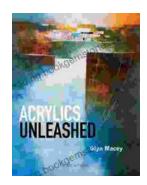
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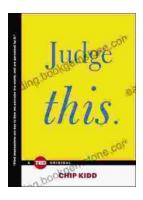
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