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Episode Summary: Sara and Daniel interview author Travis Baldree, author of *Legends and Lattes*, the bestselling cozy fantasy novel about an orc who trades in her weapons to open a coffee shop in a quiet village. In this episode – which focuses on ReadICT category 3, a book about friendship – Travis shares his thoughts on how our friendships are a form of self-reflection, why found families are important, and what exactly a hobgoblin is.

Guest Bio:

![Travis Baldree](Travisbaldree.com)

Travis is a full-time audiobook narrator who has lent his voice to hundreds of stories. Before that, he spent decades designing and building video games like Torchlight, Rebel Galaxy, and Fate. Apparently, he now also writes books. He lives in the Pacific Northwest with his very patient family and their small, nervous dog. Legends & Lattes is his debut novel.

(Source: Panmacmillan.com)

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Books recommended in this episode:

The Girls from Ames: A Story of Women and a Forty-Year Friendship by Jeffrey Zaslow
Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus by Dusti Bowling
The Cat Who Saved Books: A Novel by Sosuke Natsukawa, translated by Louise Heal Kawai
Thirty Thousand Bottles of Wine and a Pig Called Helga: A not-so-perfect tree change by Todd Alexander
Tomorrow Tomorrow and Tomorrow by Gabrielle Zevin
Nation by Terry Pratchett
Rules for Visiting: A Novel by Jessica Francis Kane
Remarkably Bright Creatures by Shelby Van Pelt
How Far the Light Reaches: A Life in Ten Sea Creatures by Sabrina Imbler
Someone Who Will Love You in All Your Damaged Glory: Stories by Raphael Bob-Waksberg
Under the Whispering Door by TJ Klune
Leonard (My Life as a Cat) by Carlie Sorosiak
Love, Clancy: Diary of a Good Dog by W. Bruce Cameron
The Book Haters' Book Club: A Novel by Gretchen Anthony
The Long Way to a Small, Angry Planet by Becky Chambers
Special Thanks to our reading community on Facebook and callers to our book review hotline for sharing their recommendations!

Resources & Links:
About Travis Baldree
Travis’s Website
Instagram: @travis_baldree
TikTok: @travisbaldree
Twitter: @TravisBaldree
YouTube Channel: @travisbaldree

Books by Travis Baldree
*Legends and Lattes* (2022)
*Bookshops and Bonedust* (coming November 2023)
"Pages to fill: A *Legends and Lattes* short story"
Audiobooks narrated by Travis Baldree

Upcoming Appearances/Projects
*Bookshops and Bonedust* Book Tour (November 6-17, 2023)
*Dragon Con*: Atlanta, GA (August 31-September 4, 2023)
*Rose City Comic Con*: Portland, OR (September 22-24, 2023)

Books mentioned in this episode
*Going Postal* by Terry Pratchett
*Howl’s Moving Castle* by Diana Wynne Jones
*Mort* by Terry Pratchett
*The Hobbit* by J.R.R. Tolkien
*Hercule Poirot* (Series of Novels) by Agatha Christie
**Legends and Lattes Fan Art**
Secondbrickfast.com: Lego Fan Art by Rick Martin

Legends and Lattes by Travis Baldree Fan Art Procreate Time Lapse (Eleni Hardman on YouTube)

Viv and Tandri drawing by Alyzea Rodriguez on ArtStation

Thimble drawing by Hayley Morgan on ArtStation

Tandri drawing by Pinkchaosart on DeviantArt

Viv, Tandri and Thimble drawing by The-Great-RKL on DeviantArt

Thimble drawing by Amy West (@HargolipStudio) on Twitter

Legends and Lattes Art by DracoKiro on Reddit

Tandri, Viv and Thimble drawings by Pinapli (@pinapli) on Twitter

Viv, Tandri and Thimble drawing by Rosiethorns88 on Tumblr

**Other Resources**
The Great British Bake Off (TV Show)

Fixer Upper (TV Show)

Slice-of-life (literary genre)

Baldur’s Gate (video game series)

Neverwinter Nights (video game series)

Merriam-Webster definition of Hobgoblin

Book Riot: What Counts as Cozy Fantasy? (May 2, 2023)

Mythcreants: What Legends and Lattes Teaches Us About Light Stories (December 3, 2022)

Studio Ghibli


The Afictionado: The Rise of Cosy (sic) Sci-Fi and Fantasy in the Pandemic Era (February 9, 2023)

NaNoWriMo

NaNoWriMo: Prep 101

Aven Shore-Kind (narrator/writer)

Psychology Today: Social Comparison Theory
Tor Publishing

The Venture Bros. (TV Show)

Will Patton (audiobook narrator)

Fate (videogame)

Torchlight (videogame)

Justin Gerard (Illustrator)

Wraithmarked Kickstarter Campaign: Legends & Lattes Deluxe Hardcover

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