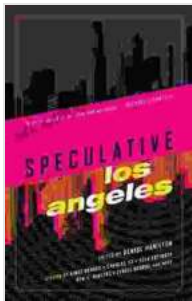


# Speculative Los Angeles: Where the City Meets the Unknown

By Denise Hamilton

Los Angeles is a city of dreams and nightmares. It's a place where people come to reinvent themselves, to escape the past, and to pursue their wildest ambitions. But it's also a city of darkness and despair, a place where the shadows seem to linger just a little bit longer than they should.



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In her new book, *Speculative Los Angeles*, Denise Hamilton explores the city's unique relationship with speculative fiction. Hamilton argues that Los Angeles is a uniquely fertile ground for speculative fiction, due to its status as a city of both dreams and nightmares.

Hamilton begins her book with a look at the early days of Hollywood. She shows how the city's film industry helped to popularize speculative fiction, and how Los Angeles itself became a major setting for speculative fiction films.

Hamilton then explores the city's role in the development of science fiction, fantasy, and horror. She discusses the work of such influential writers as Ray Bradbury, Philip K. Dick, and Octavia Butler. She also examines the city's role in the development of such popular subgenres as cyberpunk and Afrofuturism.

In her final chapter, Hamilton looks at the future of speculative fiction in Los Angeles. She argues that the city will continue to be a major center for the production of speculative fiction, and that it will continue to inspire and challenge writers and filmmakers for years to come.

*Speculative Los Angeles* is a fascinating and thought-provoking book that sheds new light on the city's rich history of speculative fiction. Hamilton's book is a must-read for anyone interested in the history of speculative fiction, or in the city of Los Angeles.

### **About the Author**

Denise Hamilton is a professor of English at the University of California, Los Angeles. She is the author of several books on speculative fiction, including *The City in Science Fiction* and *Alien Invasion: How Science Fiction Conquered the World*.

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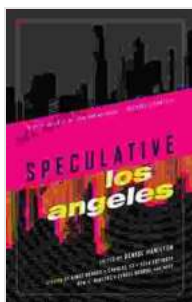
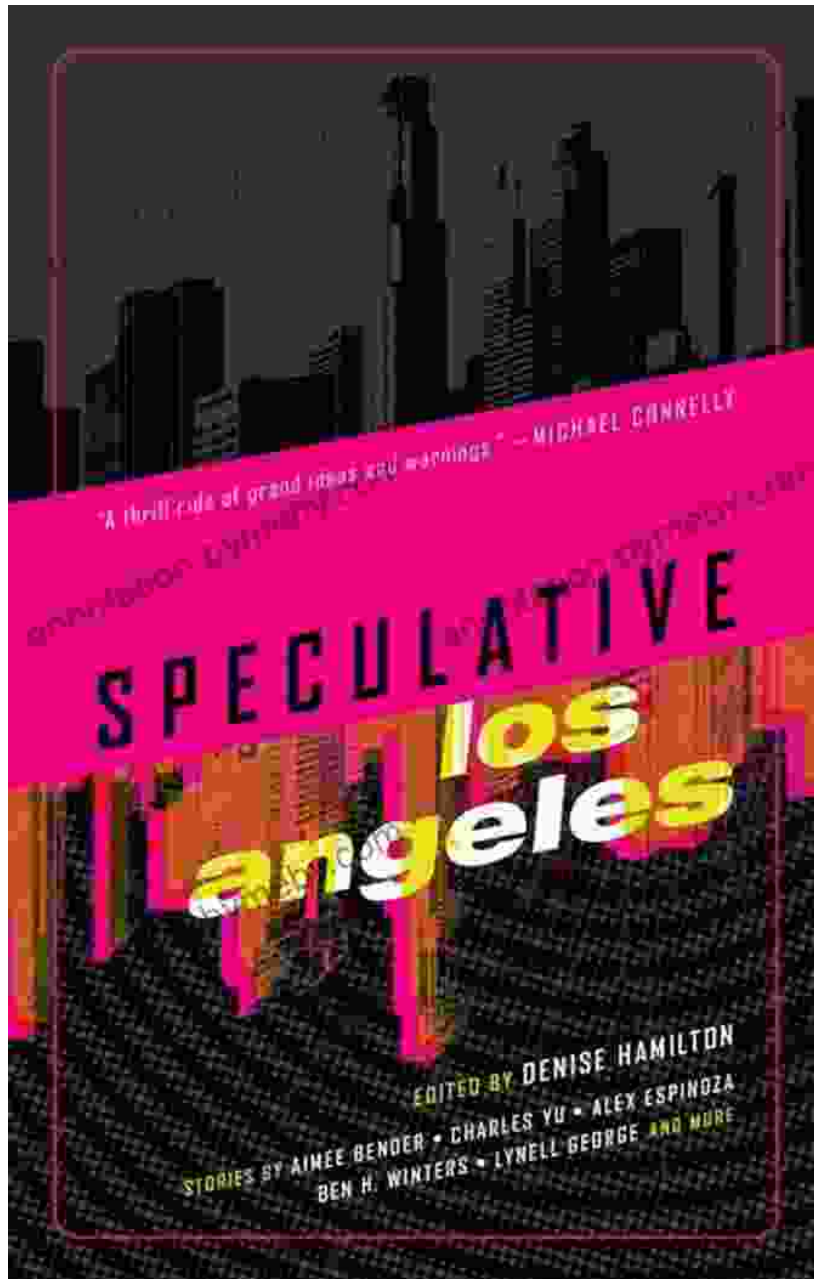
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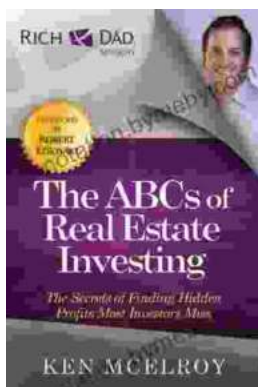
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