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***“The Nightmare Affair is whimsical and wild.”***

--Kendare Blake, author of *Anna Dressed in Blood*



***“The world of Nightmares, sirens, wizards, and demons at Arkwell Academy is wondrous and strange, yet so human and well-drawn that you get the feeling you might stumble into it by accident if you go out wandering a little too late.”***

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New York, NY – **November 7, 2012** – Tor Books, an imprint of Tom Doherty Associates, LLC – the largest publisher of science fiction in the world – is excited to announce the release of **THE NIGHTMARE AFFAIR (March 5, 2013)**, a young adult novel from debut author Mindee Arnett about a teen Nightmare. Only in **THE NIGHTMARE AFFAIR**, this sixteen-year-old is an *actual* Nightmare.

Dusty Everhart breaks into houses late at night, but not because she’s a criminal. No, she’s a Nightmare.

Literally.

Nightmares are magickind who must eat the stuff dreams are made of—called *fictus*. Dusty has to dream-feed to live. Being the only Nightmare at Arkwell Academy, a boarding school for magickind, and living in the shadow of her mother’s infamy, is hard enough. But when Dusty sneaks into Eli Booker’s house, things get a whole lot more complicated. He’s hot, which means sitting on his chest and invading his dreams couldn’t get much more embarrassing. But it does. Eli is dreaming of a murder.

Then Eli's dream comes true.

Now Dusty has to follow the clues—both within Eli's dreams and out of them—to stop the killer before more people turn up dead. And before the killer learns what she's up to and marks her as the next target.

THE NIGHTMARE AFFAIR isn't your typical paranormal YA story thanks to the incredible writing chops of author Mindee Arnett and his talents for weaving a riveting story with a cast of compelling and highly-relatable teens

*"The Nightmare Affair is brimming with wit and charm, along with plenty of mysteries that kept me guessing to the very end. Mindee Arnett has created a brand new school of magic to delight and enthrall us, and I'm sure I won't be the only reader impatiently awaiting the next adventure at Arkwell Academy."*

—Marissa Meyer, New York Times bestselling author of *Cinder*

### **About the Author**

MINDEE ARNETT lives on a horse farm in Ohio with her husband, two kids, a couple of dogs, and an inappropriate number of cats. She's addicted to jumping horses and telling tales of magic and the macabre. Her short stories have appeared in various magazines. Arnett has a Master of Arts in English literature with an emphasis in Creative Writing. She blogs and tweets, and is hard at work on the next novel in the Arkwell Academy series. Visit her website at [MindeeArnett.com](http://MindeeArnett.com).

### **About Tor Books**

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