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She hates them a little, too. Her dad lost everything betting on the Titans. And the races are a reminder of the gap between the rich jockeys who can afford the expensive machines and the working class friends and neighbors of Astrid's who wager on them.

But when Astrid's offered a chance to enter an early model Titan in this year's derby, well, she decides to risk it all. Because for a girl from the wrong side of the tracks, it's more than a chance at fame or money. Betting on herself is the only way she can see to hang on to everyone in the world she cares about.

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### Editorial Review

From School Library Journal

Gr 7 Up—Seventeen-year-old Astrid Sullivan lives in Detroit with her family. Her grandfather lost their home in Wisconsin, and now her father is close to losing their home in Warren County. Betting on mechanical horses called "Titans" during the summer racing circuit is the vice that cripples families, including her own and her best friend's. Unemployed factory workers struggle, and betting seems to be their only way to survive. Astrid hates the racing circuit, but she can't help but be fascinated by the Titans. After a second chance encounter with an old man, Astrid is given the opportunity to race a Titan in the summer circuit and try to win the grand prize, something that would save her family from homelessness. This is a fun, fast-paced read. Astrid is a strong character anyone can identify with: she's headstrong and has trouble trusting those around her. But she has a can-do attitude that stems from her struggle to keep her family from falling apart. The races are very lively and action-packed. Perfect for fans of Maggie Stiefvater's *The Scorpio Races* (Scholastic, 2011) and Suzanne Collins's "The Hunger Games." VERDICT A fun addition to any library.—Faythe Arredondo, Tulare County Library, CA

Review

#### **Praise for Victoria Scott:**

\*"Right from the start, Scott commands attention with a simple yet compelling premise, which tackles topics of privilege and class as it entertains. Cinematic, but with real heart at its core, it's a thrilling SF update to the classic "girl and her horse" tale."

**-Publishers Weekly, starred review**

\*"Mind-blowingly intense."

**-Kirkus Reviews, starred review**

\*"Scott balances excitement, tension, risk, and athleticism successfully..."

**-Bulletin, starred review**

"The refreshing lack of romantic subplot allows for greater focus on Astrid's goals, as well as her relationship with family and friends, and the end result is a solid, exciting story about a determined girl faced with difficult circumstances."

**-Booklist**

"Scott captures the essence of what it means to sacrifice one's self for a loved one."

**-VOYA**

"A fun addition to any library."

**-School Library Journal**

"Astrid is a great, completely relatable heroine whom readers will love to rally around."

**-RT Book Reviews**

"Scott injects humor and heart for a can't-miss read."

**-Kiersten White, New York Times bestselling author of Paranormalcy**

## About the Author

Victoria Scott is the author of *Fire & Flood*, *Salt & Stone*, and the Dante Walker series. She lives in Dallas with her family, and is currently working on her next novel. Victoria adores getting to know her readers. Visit her online at [VictoriaScottYA.com](http://VictoriaScottYA.com).

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