

LILAC BLACK DOES NOT BELIEVE IN GHOSTS.

She knows the séances her uncle runs aren't real. So when she pretends to talk to a spirit to get her uncle out of a tight spot, she expects a scolding, not a celebration. She certainly doesn't expect an invitation to her uncles' alma mater, the top secret Spindlewood School of Seeing.

But as the only Unseeing student at a boarding school full of Seers, Lilac has to bluff her way through Spiritwork classes and act afraid of apparitions everyone else can See. Making new friends, like the intriguing and gifted Emmanuelle, only complicates Lilac's web of lies. And as if her big deception weren't enough, something is very wrong on campus.

Spirits send cryptic messages warning of danger, and every ghost on the island seems drawn to a hidden door deep in the library basement. A being is waiting down there . . . something that none of the adults dare to talk about. Lilac and Emmanuelle must use all their powers—or at least their wits and courage—to save Spindlewood from a terrifying fate.

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