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Winter 2025 Newsletter



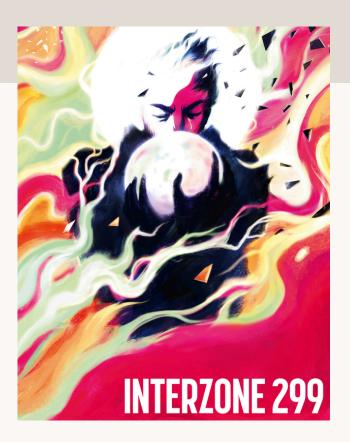
2025 has already brought many challenges and hardships, but I am not letting the darkness snuff out joy and hope where I can find it.

You might have missed that <u>Stelliform</u>
<u>Press</u> announced its acquisition of TWO
more entries in the universe of SORDIDEZ!
This is only possible because of you - my
fans and supporters and friends who
showed so much love for SORDIDEZ.
Thank you for continuing to make my
wildest dreams of Tainofuturism a reality!

Now, onto some updates about my newest stories and the FANimation project...and a sneak peek into the dual novellas coming in 2026.

In this newsletter you will find:

Latest stories, coupons, FANimation news, future project updates...



NEW STORY: "SIBILANCE"

QUEER SPACE OPERA ANYONE?

Dr. Ahim Hodei and his partner-turneddrone Amaranth are dispatched to determine the mysterious cause of diminished Helium-3 gas reserves from a remote space station orbiting Jupiter. What they uncover will transform humanity's understanding of the cosmos and their place in it...

SIBILANCE is a love letter to classic SF and my favorite planet, Jupiter, a planet of whirling clouds that always captivated my young imagination.

I am completely mesmerized by <u>Carly A-F's</u> cover art for the issue, which so beautifully renders the spirit of wonder, madness, and terror of this story about love, greed, and scientific curiosity.

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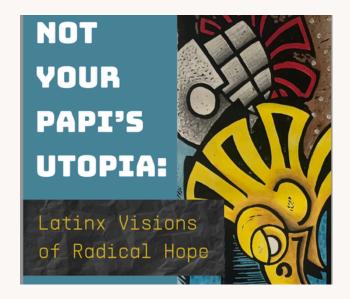


Behind The Scenes

I AM TERRIBLE AT TAGGING

My brother taught me everything I know about tagging and graffiti art. And let's just say...I'm not that great of a student. But as a writer, it's been really valuable to have a deeper sense of what it takes to wield a can.

My callsign is a rendition of the coqui frog that was etched into a rock by my indigenous ancestors many generations ago.



NEW STORY: "SER"

THE FUTURE OF GRAFFITI?

In my latest flash fiction, the heir to a graffiti tag persona from the 1990s must reinvent the art form for a changing world where augmented reality has become the new surface for inscription...

This story is one of many great hopeful visions for what is to come from the imaginations of Latine writers.



FANIMATION

FUNDRAISING FOR CHARITY WITH SHORT ANIMATIONS TO PROMOTE INDIE BOOKS

What started as a hobby in amateur animation quickly escalated into a fullblown charity project dedicated to raising money and promoting indie books and marginalized authors. FANimation!

In December, our COUNTESS video raised over \$500 for MAP. In February, we are fundraising for <u>FIYAH</u> literary magazine with an adaptation of A NECESSARY CHAOS by Brent Lambert. Make a contribution today for a chance to win bookish prizes next month.

Stay tuned on social media to weigh in on what the next titles or authors will be.

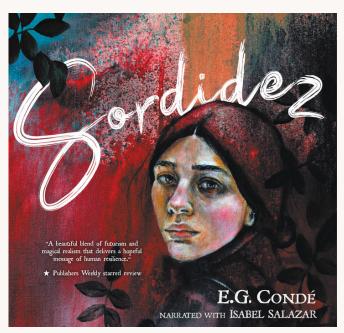




Casting the Loba Roja

ISABEL SALAZAR

This was a dream come true. Salazar shines as the Loba Roja in the new audiobook. I am so grateful to have worked with her on this!



Audiobook 🎐



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Recording, mixing, and formatting your own audiobook is a lot of hard work. I learned so much from the process and hope to apply my knowledge to a new project that I can't talk about yet.

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TWO SEQUELS!

THE TAINOFUTURISM SAGA CONTINUES...

Some reviewers of SORDIDEZ wished to see more from the novella's world and characters. And we have listened...by adding two new standalone books that

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Deal Report

Category: Fiction: Sci-Fi/Fantasy

CACIQUES, and MAQUECHES By E.G. Condé

Imprint: Stelliform Press



Ignyte Award finalist and International Latino Book Award winner E.G. Condé's CACIQUES, and MAQUECHES, standalone Tainofuturist and romanscifi novellas set in the world of SORDIDEZ, to Selena Middleton at Stelliform Press, in a nice deal, in a two-book deal, for publication in fall 2026 (world English).

serve as direct sequels to SORDIDEZ. Here is the fun part - the two new books -CACIQUES and MAQUECHES - are interconnected and overlapping - there is no set reading order (however it is best if you read SORDIDEZ first).

CACIQUES is set in Boriken (Puerto Rico) and follows our siblings-turnedchiefs, Anacaona, Agüeybaná, Yuíza and her partner Dagüao. It is an actionpacked story about exorcising the ghosts of colonization from within. There are some epic new technologies in this one inspired by Taíno and Yoruba traditions that I can't wait for you to experience.

MAQUECHES stars Juaco, fan favorite Doña Margarita, and a new character from a different part of the world. The story follows Juaco's rehabilitation from an orphan soldier into a member of a loving community in a time of peace. SPOILER ALERT it is also a romance that may or may not be somewhat autobiographical and I am both terrified and excited by the prospect of people reading it. Also, Doña Margarita has some pretty big moments in this one...



ANNOUNCING:

THE JOURNEY TO CACIQUES & MAQUECHES

2026 feels so far away, but I've got a ton planned this year for fans of the Tainofuturism series (insert evil laugh), including trailers and a transmedia 'event' that will fill in some story gaps in the world of SORDIDEZ...









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