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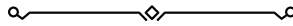


*To all those brave enough to see the world that is
and imagine another.*

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FOREWORD



EACH NEW YEAR, millions of us partake in a collective ritual at the stroke of midnight. We strive to become wealthier, healthier, and more connected with friends, family, and the world around us. While we may not achieve our goals every year, most of us, without fail, will try again the next.

The word we use for this ritual—resolution—reveals much about the act and our role in it. It is not a wish upon a star or a prayer to a higher power. It is an agreement, a contract between who we are and who we aspire to be. It is a story we tell ourselves, illustrating how our personal agency can shape reality and shift destiny. This concept is inherently revolutionary—each of us holds the power to write the script of our own lives.

The twenty-four stories in this anthology explore various facets of this revolutionary idea of reinvention: haunting tales that gnaw at us with their hunger, Protean myths that echo from ancient depths, near-future narratives that challenge our understanding of humanity, and portals to distant worlds that envision how these ideas will evolve under new suns.

I hope you enjoy the journey our writers have crafted and find inspiration for your next transformation within these pages.

Chris Campbell
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