



## Fantasy Recommendations

*This list was compiled for a patron who had really enjoyed fantasy as a teen but hadn't read in the genre for several years. He had especially enjoyed John Flanagan's work, liked both fantasy and horror as genres, and was open to reading fantasy series that were geared more toward adults or teens, so the list includes some YA authors.*

- **Patrick Rothfuss's Kingkiller Chronicle series.** Kvothe lives a quiet life as an innkeeper now, but his past includes daring and fascinating feats as a bard and warrior, which he recounts for the reader.
- **Joseph Delaney's Last Apprentice series.** A dark fantasy/horror/adventure story that focuses on the seventh son of a seventh son and his apprenticeship as he learns to fight supernatural "spooks."
- **David Eddings's The Belgariad series.** This fantasy series follows Garion and his associates as they try to steal a sacred stone back from the villain. These are very much a high fantasy in the tradition of J.R.R. Tolkien but with more humor.
- **Alexander Gordon Smith's Escape from Furnace series.** This five-book fantasy/suspense/adventure series features a teenaged protagonist trying to break out of a mysterious underground prison after he is framed for murder.
- **Robert Jordan's work.** Like Eddings, very much in the high fantasy tradition and would be a good read following Eddings.
- **Rick Riordan's books.** Riordan's myth-influenced YA fantasies are a lot of fun, especially for those familiar with the mythological stories and characters that pop up.
- **Brandon Sanderson's books.** Sanderson writes several epic fantasy series and often blends some science fiction elements in as well.

