# Twitter Thread by Cory Doctorow #BLM



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**Today's Twitter threads (a Twitter thread).**

**Inside: Dependency Confusion; Adam Curtis on criti-hype; Catalytic converter theft; Apple puts North Dakota on blast; and more!**

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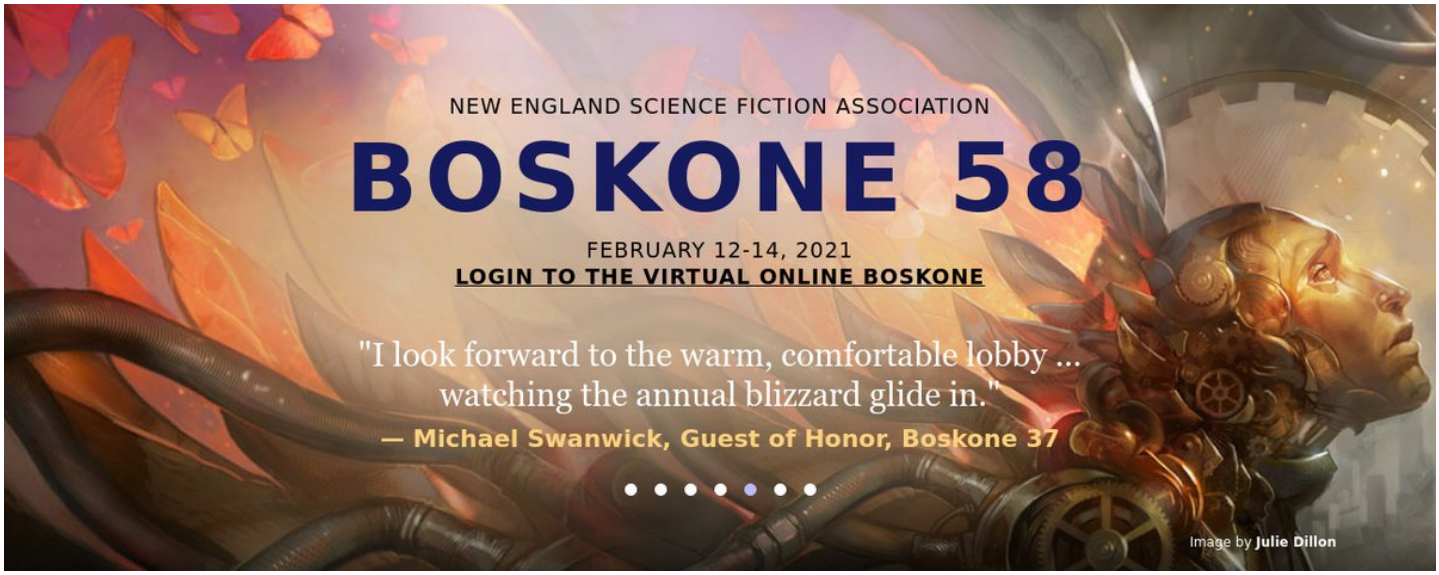
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This weekend, I'll be participating in Boskone 58, Boston's annual sf convention, where I'm doing panels and a reading.

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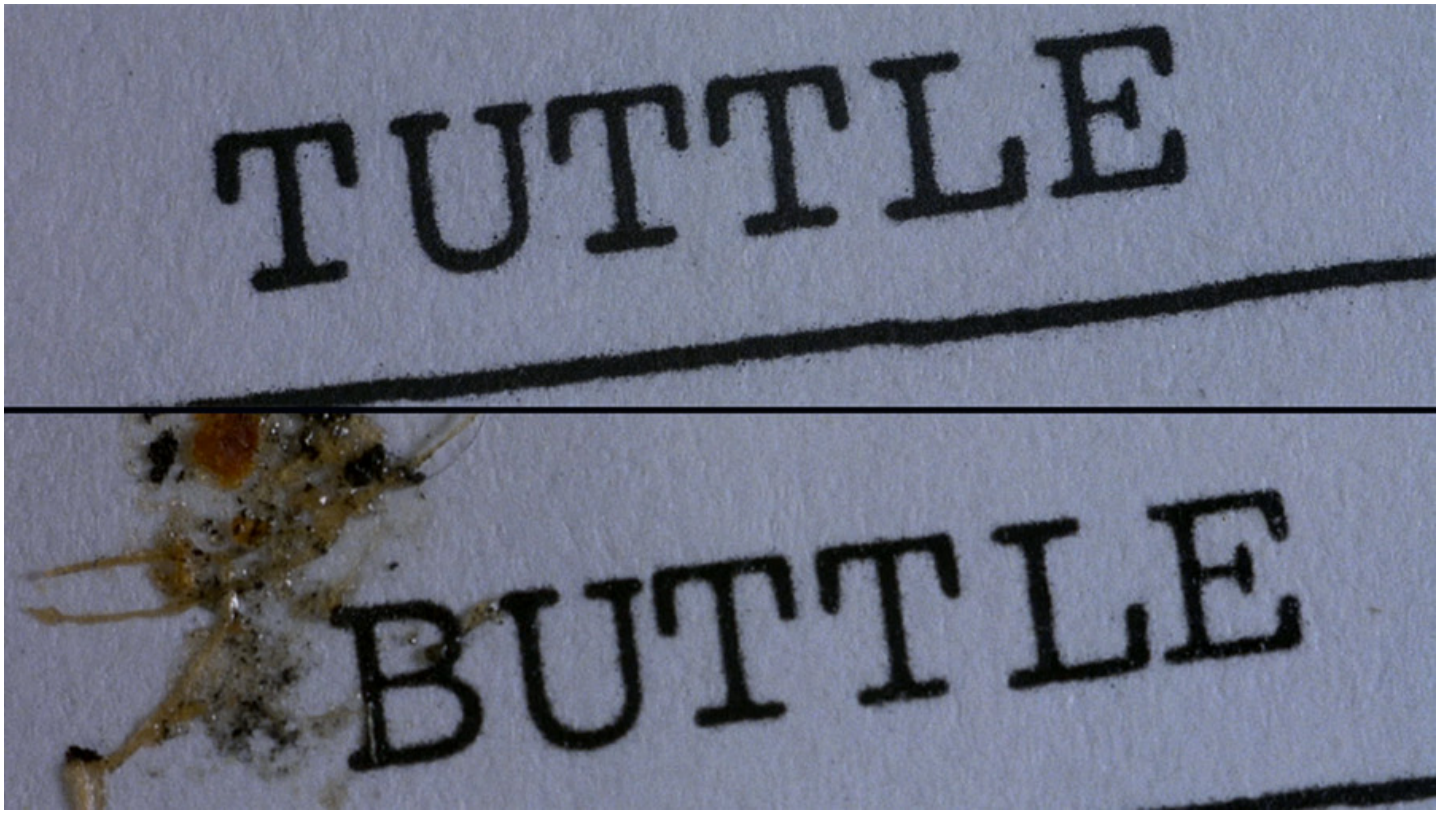
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Dependency Confusion: A completely wild supply-chain hack.

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In "Dependency Confusion," security researcher @alxbrsn describes how he made a fortune in bug bounties by exploiting a new supply-chain attack he calls "dependency confusion," which allowed him to compromise "Apple, Microsoft and dozens of others."https://t.co/hn32EmF5qT

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— Cory Doctorow #BLM (@doctorow) February 10, 2021

Adam Curtis on criti-hype: Big Tech as an epiphenomenon of sociopathic mediocrity, not supergenius.

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> Adam Curtis is a brilliant documentarian, and films like Hypernormalization and series like All Watched Over by Machines of Loving Grace had a profound effect on my thinking about politics, technology and human thriving.
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Catalytic converter theft: Rhodium at $21,900/oz.

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# How to Earn Top Dollar Scrapping Catalytic Converters

August 28th, 2020
Posted by endlessmetals



## What is a catalytic converter?

A catalytic converter is a device which reduces pollutants in exhaust emissions and is most commonly found on cars. It has the important job of reducing the harmful effects of toxic exhaust fumes like carbon monoxide, on the environment. It's also an item that can be sent for scrap metal recycling if its broken or no longer works and you'll find it installed somewhere between the rear muffler and manifold on the underside of your vehicle.

You may remember (if you're old enough), how there would be trucks driving down the highway with dark plumes of smelly smoke streaming out of their exhausts. It was awful to be stuck behind one of these vehicles in gridlocked traffic when you had no way to escape. Thankfully, these days are in the past as it is now mandatory for catalytic converters to be installed during the manufacture of new vehicles

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> Back in the early 2010s, people started falling into open sewer entrances in New York City and other large metros - because a China-driven spike in the price of scrap metal, combined with post-2008 unemployment, gave rise to an army of metal-thieves.https://t.co/gtD72IDCPn
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Apple puts North Dakota on blast: Stop thinking different!

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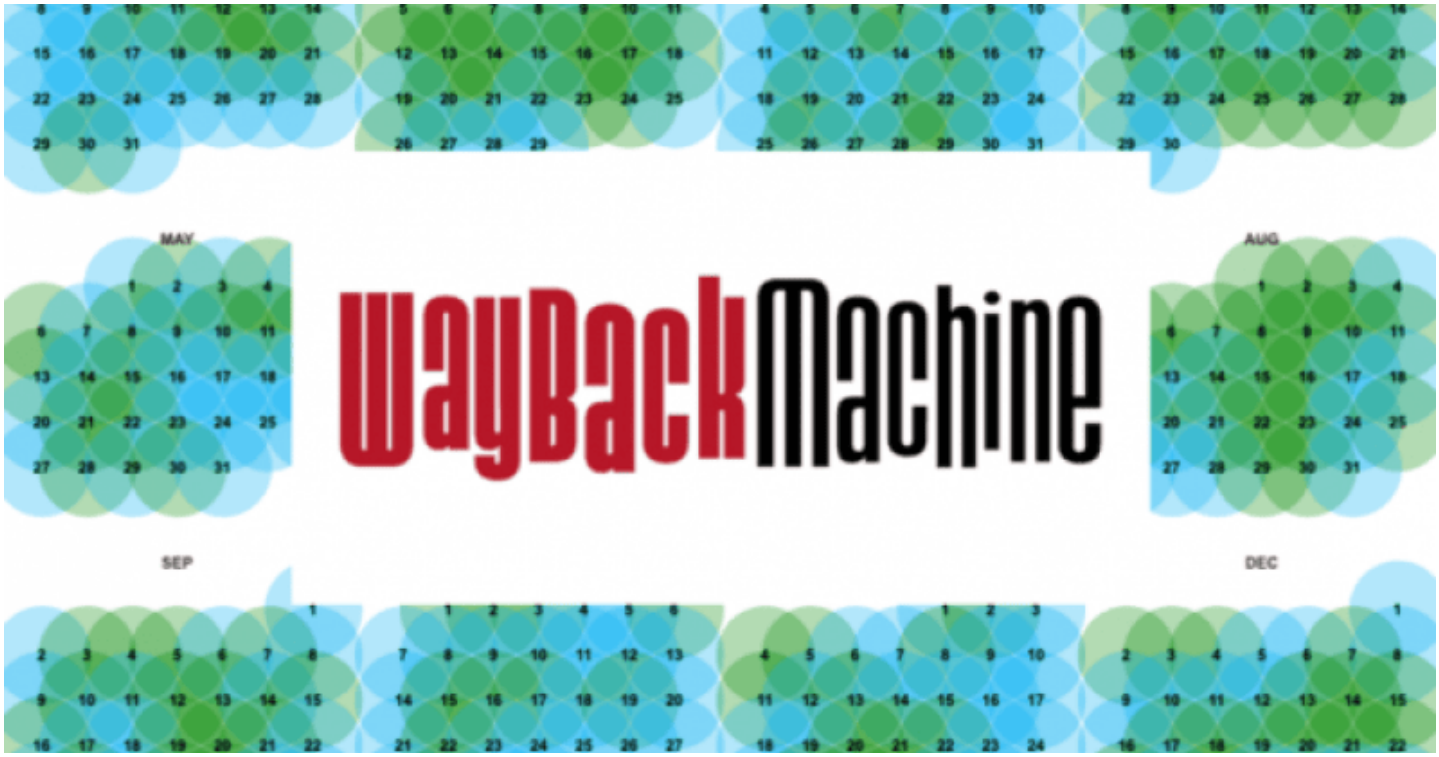

> Republican North Dakota legislators have introduced #SB2333, a bill that prohibits large tech companies from locking their users into a single app store or payment processor.https://t.co/PgyhgOhFAl
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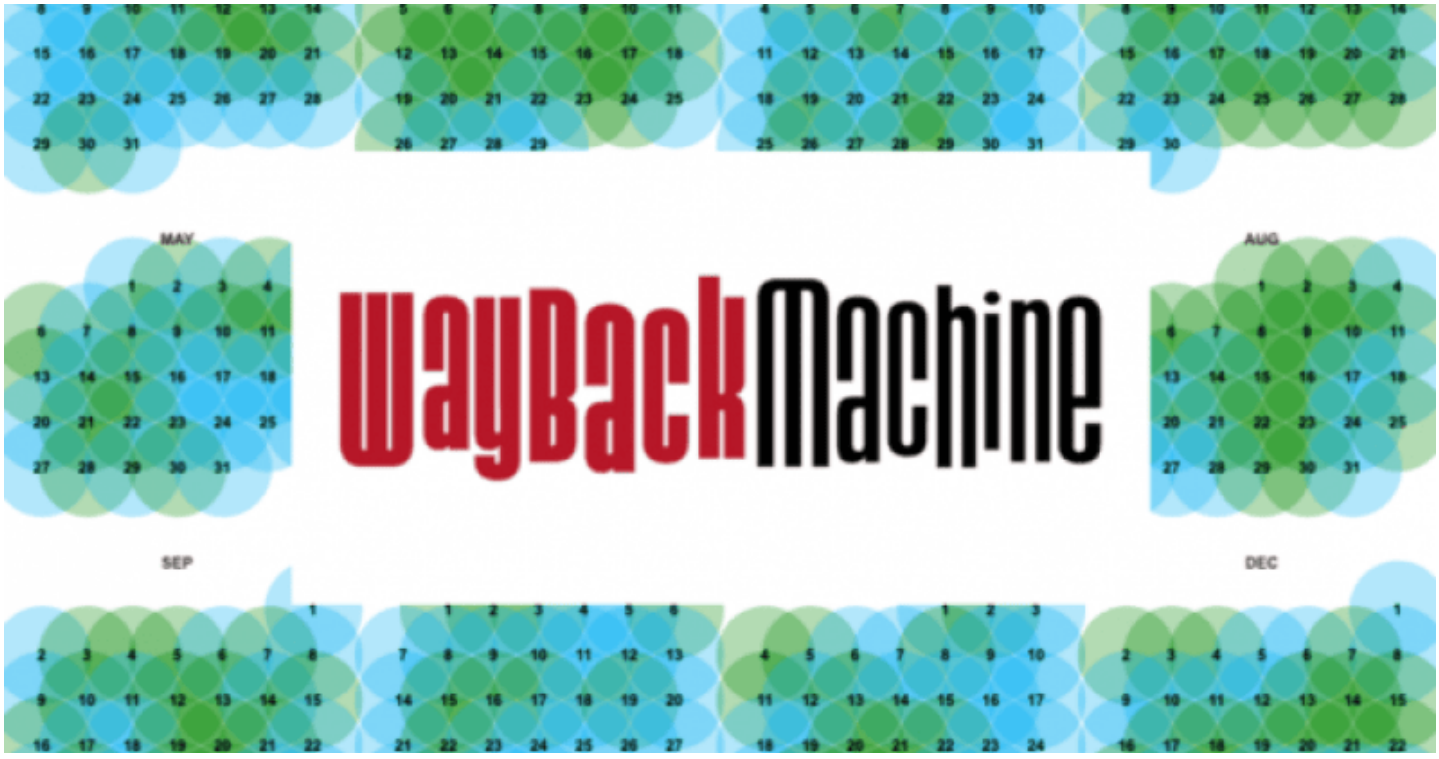
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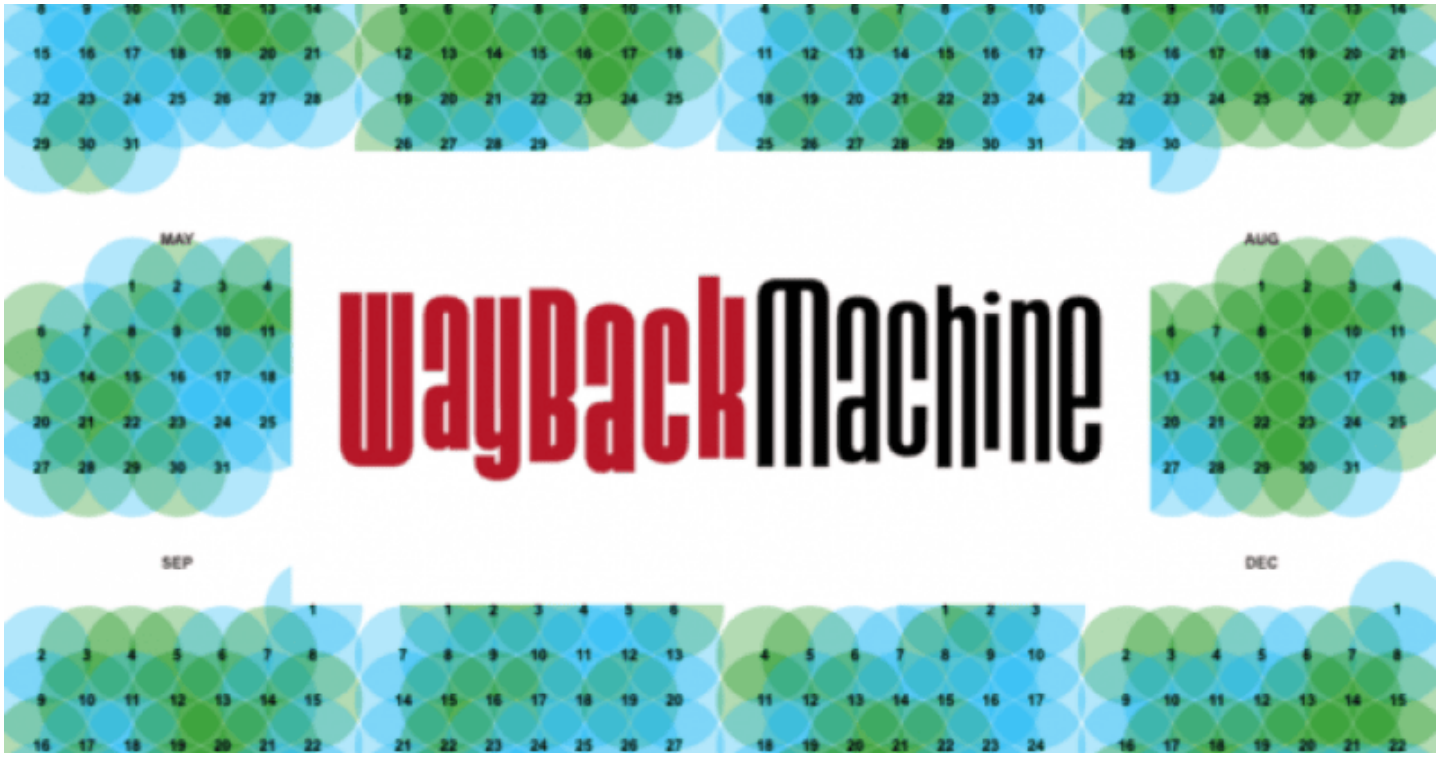
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My latest novel is Attack Surface, a sequel to my bestselling Little Brother books. @washingtonpost called it "a political cyberthriller, vigorous, bold and savvy about the limits of revolution and resistance."

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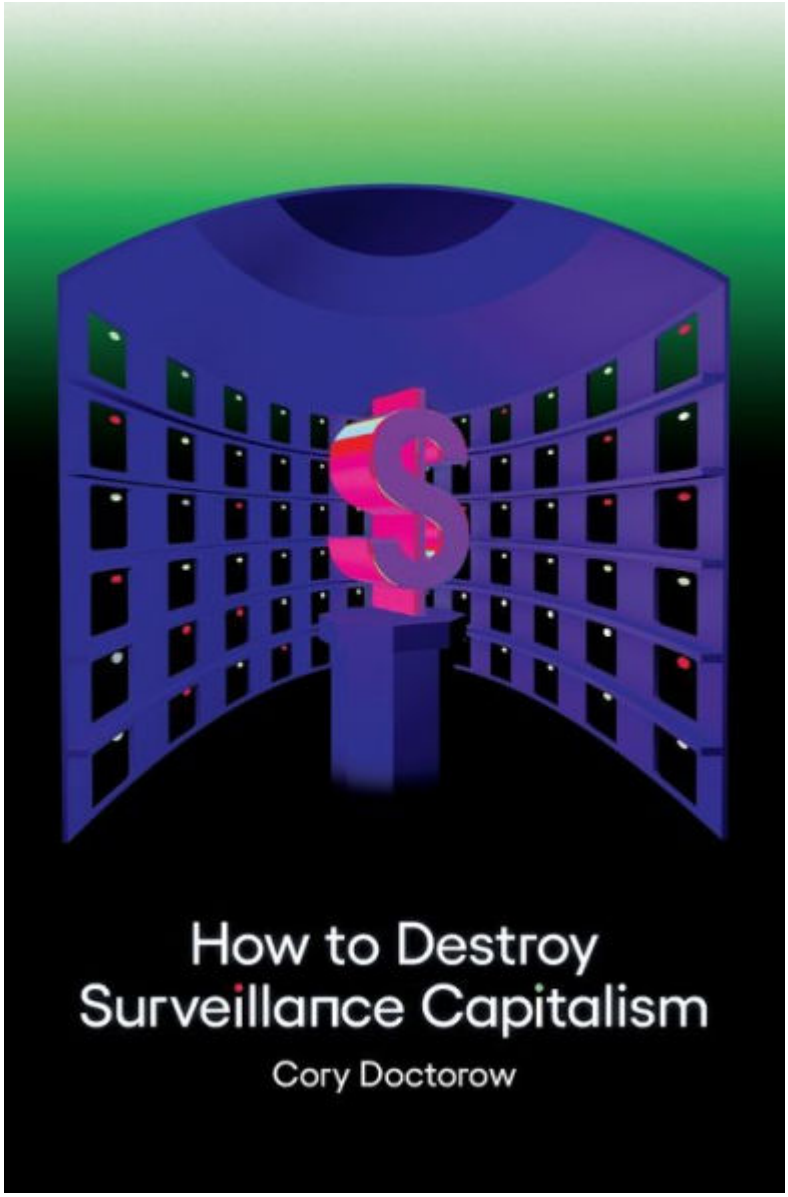
My 2020 book "How to Destroy Surveillance Capitalism" is a critique of Big Tech connecting conspiratorial thinking to the rise of tech monopolies and proposing a way to deal with both:

https://t.co/Us0SPxlcmD

Now, it's available in paperback!

https://t.co/x2eXIkUY64

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Upcoming appearances:

* Boskone, 58, Feb 12-15, https://t.co/2LfFssVcZQ

* Keynote, NISO Plus, Feb 22, https://t.co/neeqzKaZp0

* Technology, Self-Determination, and the Future of the Future (Purdue CERIAS), Feb 17, https://t.co/po5IivZyr4

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Recent appearances:

* Chop Shop Economics https://t.co/N2coD3DoiY

* Monocle Reads https://t.co/ENWPDLYVXg

* Hedging Bets on the Future (Motherboard Cyber): https://t.co/7YeNDAjLfc

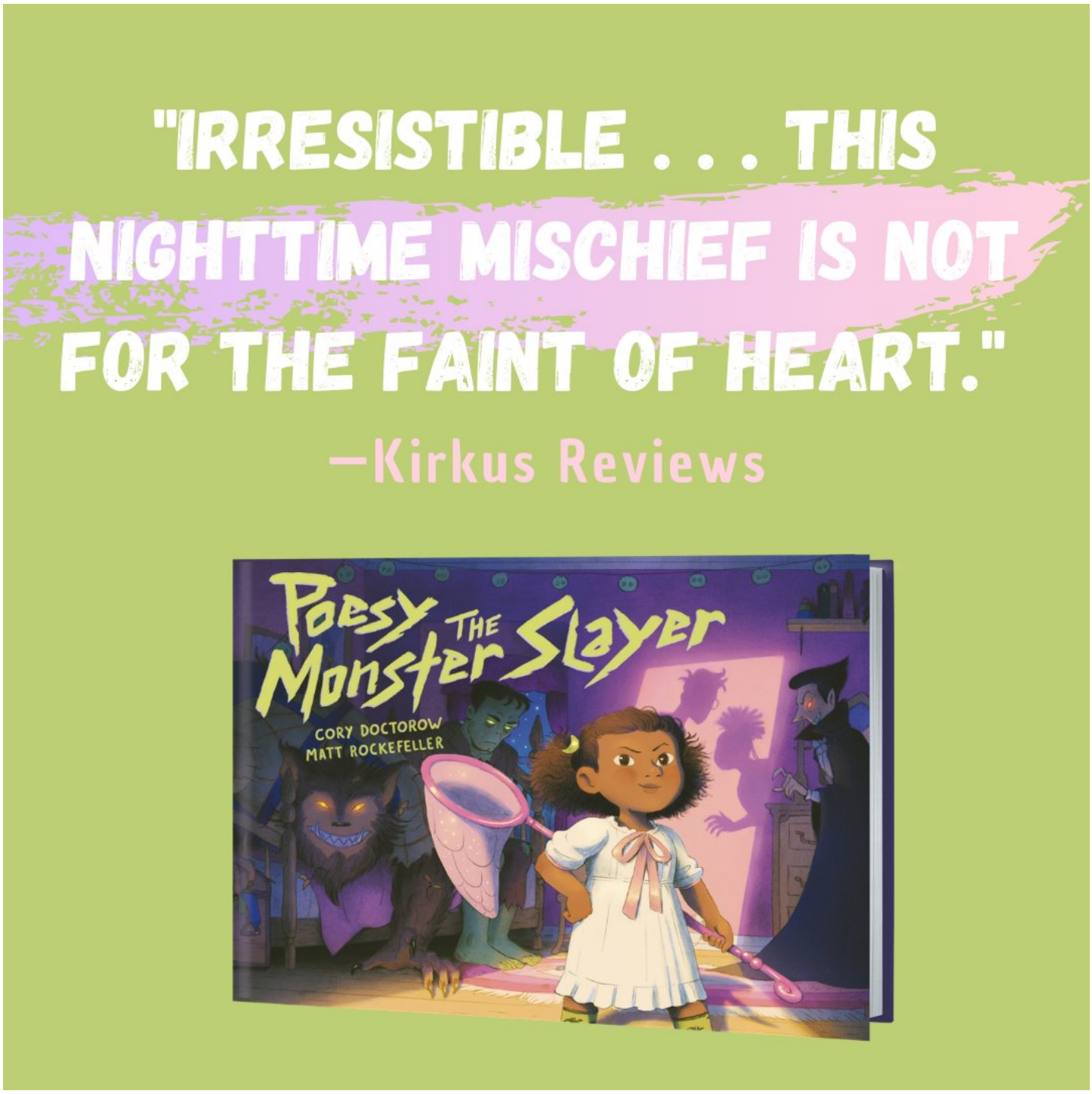
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My first picture book is out! It's called Poesy the Monster Slayer and it's an epic tale of bedtime-refusal, toy-hacking and monster-hunting, illustrated by Matt Rockefeller. It's the monster book I dreamt of reading to my own daughter.

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