

New series by Rick Riordan: Disney

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Rick Riordan, creator of the 7 million copy-selling blockbuster Percy Jackson & the Olympians series, introduces readers to The Kane Chronicles, a new fantasy bringing ancient Egyptian mythology to life in a vivid modern-day setting.

The Disney Book Group has announced that the first installment, The Kane Chronicles, Book One: The Red Pyramid, comes out in May.

When a magical accident unleashes the Egyptian gods on the modern world, siblings Carter and Sadie Kane discover that they are the only ones who can put things right.

As descendants of the greatest Egyptian magicians, they must find a way to defeat the evil god before he can destroy them.

Last summer, Rick Riordan's best-selling Percy Jackson & the Olympians series concluded with the fifth and final installment, Percy Jackson & the Olympians, Book Five: The Last Olympian.

To date, the series has sold more than 7 million copies in the US and has been sold into 32 different language markets.

Based on the first book in the series, Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief will hit theaters on February 12, 2010.

Rick Riordan is the author of the New York Times #1 best-selling Percy Jackson and the Olympians series: The Lightning Thief; The Sea of Monsters; The Titan's Curse; The Battle of the Labyrinth; and The Last Olympian.

His previous novels for adults include the hugely popular Tres Navarre series, winner of the top three awards in the mystery genre.

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