

# Melissa's Review

Highlights and stats from author **Melissa A. Geary**



*Great seats seeing Chris Young for his Christmas Concert!*

## December 2025

### Closing Out the Year

I made the push to complete my reading goal in December and I'm pretty impressed with myself! I got a lot of listening in while getting ready for the holidays and managed to get through the entire ACOTAR series in 12 days which feels like it should be a record. I also maxed out my hoopla borrows which I've never done before, but take as a personal challenge to do again!

**BOOKS READ (DEC)**

11

**BOOKS READ (2025)**

60

**CHAPTERS REVIEWED  
(2025)**

20

**Reading  
Superlatives  
2025**

**Favorite  
Ongoing Series**

The Witch Walker Series by Charissa Weak

**Favorite  
Completed Series**

The Montague Siblings Series by Mackenzi Lee

**Favorite  
Completed  
Duology**

The Shepherd King Duology by Rachel Gillig

**Favorite  
Mystery/  
Suspense Novel**

The Room Next Door by Wendy Walker

**Favorite Audio  
Book Narrator**

Tim Campbell (Witch Walker series, Loom Saga)

## Looking Forward

I am focused on setting smarter goals for myself this coming year. I know I need to keep putting my physical and mental health first and the rest will follow so I'm going to keep with the same theme I set myself for 2025: Do more of what makes me happy.

I think it worked pretty well considering all I was able to accomplish. I'm excited to see what I can achieve in another 365 days with this mindset at the forefront.

More specifically I hope to spend more time on the *Shadow Series* and come up with a timeline for publication for *Consumed by Shadows* (book 2). I also want to spend more time working on my poetry, though I do not currently have plans to publish a second collection. I also have ideas



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to rebrand my small business which I am excited to share once I'm ready!

## FUN FACT #006

Many of the characters in *Born in Shadows* were named after people in my life, though I often changed the name to a variation or to a translation in a different language. Most of those characters are background ones, though a few take more prominent roles in the sequel *Consumed by Shadows*.

Keep up-to-date with me and all of my creative endeavors by following my linktree!

