

Melissa's Review

Highlights and stats from author Melissa A. Geary



Memphis is busy napping the day away while the rest of us have to work.

July 2020

The new normal...

It goes without saying that the world as we know it has changed significantly since the last newsletter. It's taken time, but I am feeling adjusted to life as it is now (so that is why things will likely change again soon...). I hope to have more regular updates and possibly new content for

WORD COUNT

23,156

DAYS WRITTEN

9

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WORD COUNT**

169,034



Celebrating

July 6 - My birthday
July 28 - My mother's birthday



Listening - Podcast

Shadows of Saint Fleur (Table Top RPG)



Listening - Musical

Hamilton

you all very soon! July was a productive month as I took a week off from work to write. I was able to complete the first draft of *Consumed by Shadows* and create a detailed editing schedule.

Looking Ahead

Goals for August

My main goal for the month of August is to reread *Born in Shadows* in preparation for editing the sequel. I want to make sure that any details I wrote previously align with the second book, especially considering the large stretches of time between writing and editing BiS to CbS.



A birthday gift from my co-workers which I've kept alive for a month!

Announcements

- While there is nothing big to announce this month, I encourage you to follow me on social media for any new updates between now and the next news letter!

FUN FACT #002

The very first version of *Born in Shadows* had a single protagonist named Talia Harper. She was a well trained vampire hunter who worked with her father to eradicate the monsters who killed her mother when she was still a child. When the two found a young girl, recently attacked and forcibly turned, Talia was forced to second guess all of her training and assumptions and made protecting the girl her top priority.

Those characters ended up becoming Natalya, Arthur and Emeline. The original version never made it beyond a loose plot and short scenes.

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