

This Author Life...



Hey all! I hope you're doing well and getting ready for Fall. I can't wait! This is a pic of me from October or November of last year because I've been so buried in work that I've put on normal clothes a whopping handful of times this month. Most days I look like I just rolled out of bed--and I look like that all day;) Needless to say, I'm excited for October and the last quarter of 2021. So much is coming up! Don't miss the Pre-Order, Book Box, and Goodreads Giveaway info further down in the letter.

I'm currently finishing 75% of my current client editing duties, working on ALL THE MARKETING things for Witch Collector, and prepping for finishing City of Ruin, the second installment in the Witch Walker trilogy, all while my home is a disaster. I'm not sure we're going to recover! I have new floors, mostly. The kitchen and laundry floors can't be done until the cabinets go in and the cabinets had an incorrectly sized drawer, and that apparently means we can't install the other cabinets.

Meanwhile, my pantry has been ripped out, the bead board on my kitchen walls has been torn down, and my fireplace mantle is gone. Also waiting for carpet to go in upstairs. I am not a person who functions well in chaos, so this has been quite the experience.

On the writing front, well, The Witch Collector will be here so soon! November 2nd! I can't wait to hold the paperback in my hands. I plan to use sticky flags to notate a reference copy for editing purposes on City of Ruin. So that means I get to read it yet again. YAY, haha.

Speaking of paperbacks...

The Witch Collector Pre-Order Info...

I get soooo many questions about pre-orders. Sadly, I still don't have a paperback link for you, but it's coming soon. The moment I receive it from the publisher, I'll send out a special email letting you know that you can order. If you haven't heard, the book industry is expected slow shipping times this holiday season--slower than normal. So if you want a book ASAP, order it as soon as you can.

You CAN order the ebook now, however! So if you're an eReader, here are your avenues to purchase!









The Witch Collector Book Box Giveaway...

Three of these boxes will be up for grabs during release week. I plan to run the giveaway from November 2nd through November 9th, for newsletter subscribers only.

The box artwork is in progress. The image to the right is a mockup but we'll see how the final comes out.

A few notes on what the book box will contain (though there might be additional goodies):

- A signed copy of the novel
- A Witch Collector themed candle
- Swag: stickers, giant character art bookmark (and secret goodies)
- Character Art Print (possibly 2!)
- Map Print
- Handwritten note from me



Previously, I'd hoped to do this giveaway before release and ship out about a week after the book comes out. With the book industry's slow shipping times and general shipping delays around the holidays, I might not get copies that fast. So to be safe, I *plan* to ship them out mid-November, but it could be a little later. Then, in December, a limited quantity of these boxes will be on sale on my website.

If you're a Rebel Reader, I'll be giving away a box there too! It will be announced in the FB group and via the RR Newsletter.

Character Art



RAINA BLOODGOOD WITCH WALKER

Isn't this art lovely?? It was done by Katherine Quinn-author, artist, and poet. There's more art on the way, which is so cool. I love seeing how different people interpret the same character.

What Else I'm Working On...

Honestly? Editing. A LOT OF EDITING. I did copy edits for two long fantasy novels in September, along with reviewing copy edits for a contemporary romance. It was pretty mind-bending. By the time I looked over The Witch Collector, I was seeing stars. Being truthful here, but my editing hat is about to be hung up for a while. I've closed to queries, and I'll have to remain closed. I need to be writing!

I also (finally) completed and submitted the foreign rights synopsis for The Witch Collector. Will it sell internationally?? I dunno. Fantasy is hard when it comes to translations. Add in that Raina uses sign language and that might be another added layer of difficulty. I really don't know. Sales and reviews also matter. A lot. On top of market demand. So we shall see!

Something I had to neglect last quarter was my historical fantasy novel, the novel I hope to query next year. The title is An Injustice of Memory. My Rebel Readers might get a sneak peek at that next month!

Books, Books, Books...

My pleasure reads were nil last month, save for excellent <u>The Mars Strain</u> by Alexia Chantel. It's honestly been bugging me that I've had so little time to read whatever book I feel like picking up, and that's how I roll. I read widely, and although I'm writing a trilogy (still can't believe it!), I hardly ever read series of any sort anymore. BUT, there are many books on my TBR list, and I wanted to share some this month in case you might be interested too! Images are linked to Amazon!



















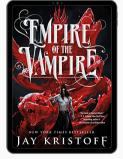


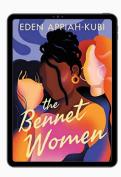


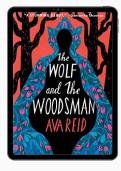






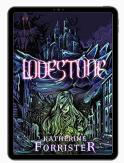












My Current Playlist



Really liking Haux lately. <u>Caves</u> is on my Witch Collector playlist. Other songs tickling my ears right now?

- You Are Mine/MuteMath
- Runaway/Aurora
- Harvest Moon/SYML
- Where's My Love/SYML

Goodreads Giveaway

15 Paperback Copies will be given away via <u>Goodreads</u>! You can enter the entire month of October. All you have to do is 1) have a free account on Goodreads (super easy) and 2) Add the book to your Want to Read list! It's simple! I'll be sending out a reminder when I share the paperback details.



Bookish Giveaways!

I'm participating in a Bookbub builder to reach readers. Click the image and take a look! It's easy to enter!



Thanks For Reading!

Until next time, come chat with me on Instagram or in the Rebel Reader Facebook Group :)

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