
THE REBEL READER GAZETTE

A LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Dear Reader,

What an unexpected start to the year! But we're moving onward, right? I've done my best to handle the publishing disaster that began in January with grace, though it's been plenty difficult at times.

I hope you all know that the very last thing I want is to not be working on the Witch Walker series, but sometimes we have to hit pause and deal with business first. And this business—the publishing industry—is wild.

I've learned so much over the last three months, but I can't say I wish it never happened. Other authors being brave enough to bring facts and evidence to light made me take a much closer look at my situation, and I didn't like what I saw.

So here I am, trying to reach a compromise with the Witch Walker series so I can move on with that story. In the meantime, I'm moving on in other ways, as you'll read on the next page! I'm a writer, and writers write. I also have way too many ideas and too much love for my readers to spend another three months in limbo.

Thank you all for your support. I appreciate all the messages, comments, and texts. You have my eternal gratitude!!

I hope you have a gorgeous spring and that you enjoy this newsletter. Be sure to grab your downloadable gift inside!

~ Charissa



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CHARISSA HAS AN AGENT! OR TWO!

As you might have seen last week, Charissa signed with Bookcase Literary Agency!

We've been asked many times if this means she can continue with the Witch Walker series now, but while it's great news, we aren't quite there yet.

Having Flavia and Meire on Charissa's team, along with her amazing entertainment attorney,

Maggie Marr, means she not only has excellent legal and publishing counsel now, but that these three ladies are working behind the scenes so Charissa can actually focus on writing.

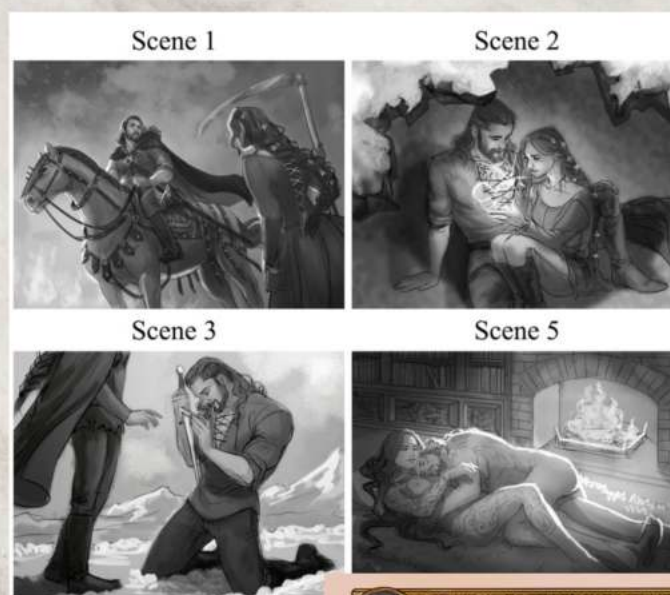
A lot is happening, much of which our author simply can't deal with alone (and can't talk about yet), so having this important level of support has been a nice change.

All that said, while Charissa's team is working on ALL THE PUBLISHING THINGS, she's working on a series proposal. If you're a member of her Patreon or follow her Instagram, you've likely seen posts about the Seekers of the Last Light series. Charissa is currently hammering out the series arc, worldbuilding, character list, and general story details so she can begin writing book one while Flavia, Meire, and Maggie weave their magic.

Charissa is excited to see what the future holds. She's in good hands!



FRENCH EDITION OF THE WITCH COLLECTOR, RELEASING MAY 15TH



We know many of you have pre-ordered or plan to own a copy of the illustrated French edition of The Witch Collector, so we wanted to share a sneak peek of the interior art. Here's what we know so far!

THIS EDITION INCLUDES:

- Exclusive Illustrated Hardcover
- Digitally printed edges
- Five interior illustrations in the hardback
- Colorized map
- Exclusive Paperback Cover Design

Since Charissa will be in Paris soon for book signings, she gets to view early copies of this edition and will share photos on her social media. Please note that this edition must be ordered through the [French Amazon website](#). As far as we know, the hardback is otherwise exclusive to bookstores in France, though we will update if that changes.

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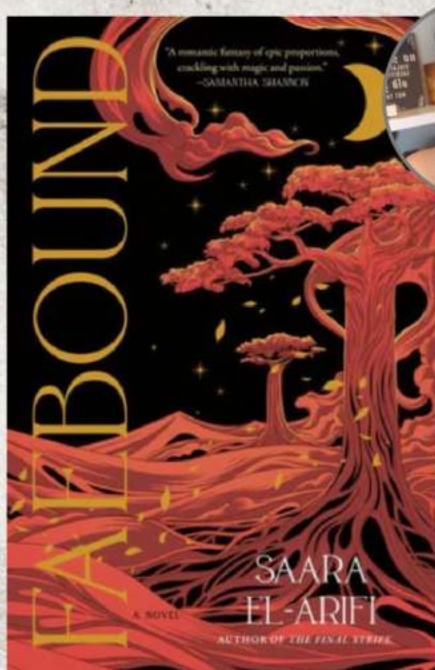


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WHAT WE'RE READING



CHARISSA: The cover got me! I don't have a ton of time right now to lose myself in another world since I'm currently building my own, so I'm slowly working through this novel. A quick blurb: Two elven sisters become imprisoned in the intoxicating world of the fae, where danger and love lie in wait.



NICKI: I have seen and heard nothing but good reviews of this book and it was bumped up my TBR immediately. This book has all the elements I adore: fae, spice, enemies to lovers, grumpy/sunshine, and so much more. I cannot wait to fully immerse myself in this new fantasy romance series.

DAMSEL



A new movie featuring Millie Bobby Brown dropped on Netflix this month, *Damsel*. An action packed fantasy movie mixed with fairytale themes, but with a darker undertone. A young girl agrees to marry a prince only to find out she is a sacrifice.

It was released on 3/8/24 exclusively on Netflix streaming if you want to go check it out. On Tiktok earlier this year creators were saying it appeared to have beloved *Throne of Glass series* style and feelings. Charissa enjoyed it!

CITY OF RUIN AUDIOBOOK SALE

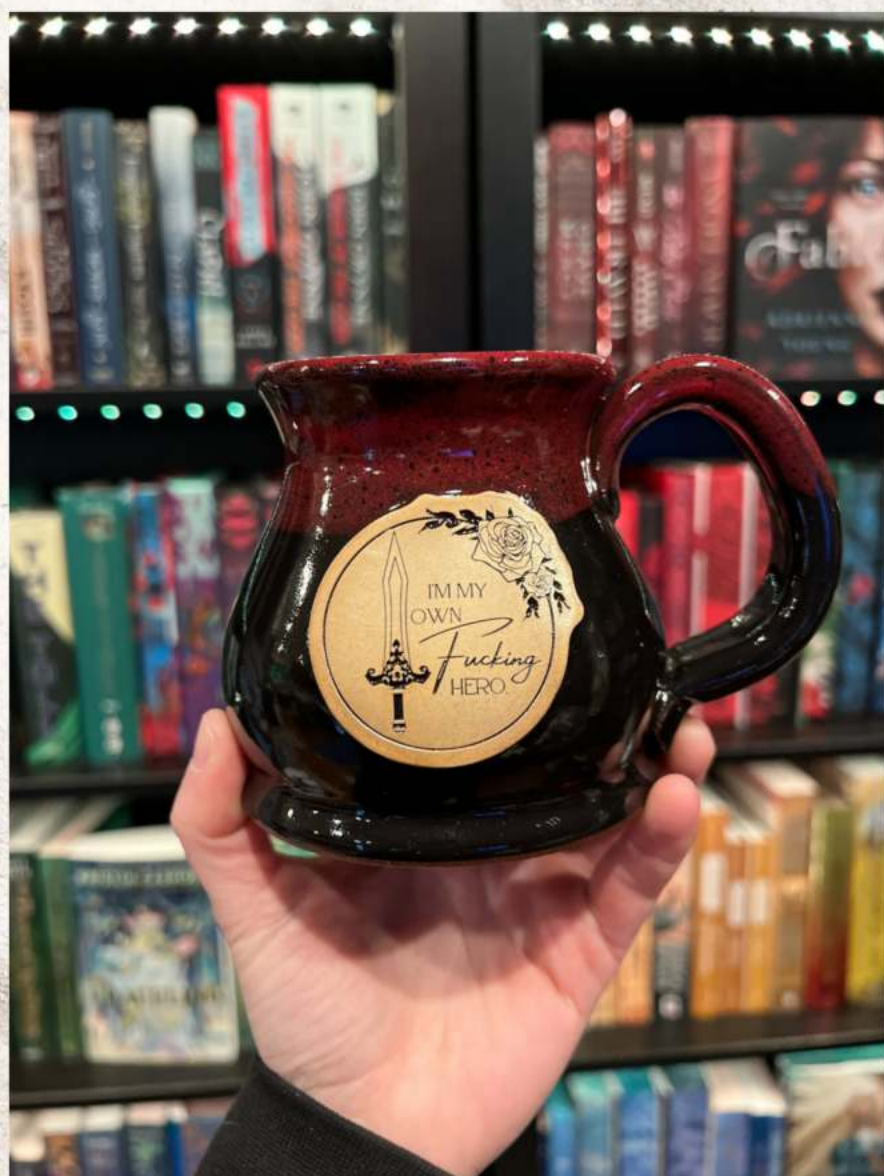
The City of Ruin audiobook is **60% off** right now through 3/31. You can also pre-order The Wolf and the Witch, releasing May 14th.

Listen to CoR HERE



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FABLE GROUNDS COFFEE MUG PRE-ORDER



NEW MERCH ALERT!

A new stoneware mug is available for preorder from Fable Grounds Coffee. In addition, the vendor will have limited quantities available at Apollycon 2024 for purchase. Do not miss out on your new go-to daily coffee/tea mug with Nephele's signature quote.

[PRE-ORDER NOW](#)



SIGNED BOOKS & NEW MERCH



Signed books have recently been listed on Etsy! You can also find signed bookplates and lots of new merch items with two new designs. The book pre-order runs through 4.15. The books will ship in May.

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TRAVEL & LEISURE

Visit Paris With Charissa



Charissa leaves for Paris on April 2nd! This is her first time visiting France, and she is super excited. Charissa plans to document her two-week trip, which includes not only Paris but places like Versailles and Giverny as well, on Instagram. If you aren't on Insta, she will share lots of photos via her newsletter in May.

Once Charissa is home, she plans to **give away** a French edition of TWC and a couple of copies of her friends' books (also illustrated) via her newsletter:

The Serpent and the Wings of Night by Carissa Broadbent and
A Promise of Fire by Amanda Bouchet



[Click here to check out Charissa's list of events, now scheduling into 2025](#)



LIFE & STYLE

Three of Charissa's (Current) Favorite Things



1. This makeup bag! Charissa grabbed this bag (large size) off Amazon to take on her upcoming travels and loves it. Comes in multiple colors.
2. Charissa recently tried a eucalyptus cleansing balm from Versed and will never stop using it. She even uses it when she doesn't have makeup to remove, which is most every day. This balm can be purchased at Target and also Costco!
3. This adorable little retro Bluetooth speaker! Charissa has one of these in her kitchen and one in her office. They come in multiple colors and are a steal at under \$20.

Eras Party Drink by Nicki

Nicki and her friends had a Taylor Swift Eras Tour watching party and made some festive drinks to celebrate. They are perfect for spring and can be crafted with or without alcohol!

Miss Americana & The Heartbreak Prince drink:

- 1 shot of vodka (optional)
- 1 part lemonade
- 1 part sprite
- raspberry syrup
- garnish with pink cotton candy
- add sugar to the rim if you're feeling fancy



FANTASY AUTHOR FEATURE: VANESSA RASANEN

Who loves relatable characters, swoony romance, and cozy vibes? Have you met Vanessa Rasanen yet? While some have discovered her through her Aisling Sea series, it is her latest book, *Until the Stars Fall*, that is sure to win the hearts of fantasy romance readers. The first in

the Immortal Reveries series of interconnected stand alones, *Until the Stars Fall* is a loose retelling of the classic movie, *Sabrina*, combining many of our favorite romantasy tropes from fated mates to fake dating in a magical mix of old hollywood-style romance and fae fantasy.

Full of tasty tension and heartwarming moments, *Until the Stars Fall* follows the paths of Connor, a stressed fae prince tasked with protecting his kingdom, and Lieke, a headstrong human who foolishly loves his younger brother. When she finds herself sentenced to death for the killing of a fae noble, it will be Connor—not the younger brother she loves—who finds a way to save her with a solution neither of them is thrilled with.



Each installment in the Immortal Reveries series will focus on a new couple in a different kingdom within this fantasy world. While the books do not have cliffhangers, there is an underlying mystery that spans across them with questions remaining unanswered until the very end.

Whether writing about morally grey pirates or hopeless romantic fae, Vanessa has been lauded for giving us characters we can't help but love—no matter how small their role—and rich fantasy worlds that pull us in without drowning us in complexity. Originally from Kansas, Vanessa now lives on the windy plains of Wyoming with her Army pilot husband and their four kids. Both her [Aisling Sea pirate series](#) and [Until the Stars Fall](#) are available in paperback, hardcover, audiobook, ebook, and kindle unlimited.

VANESSA'S BOOKS

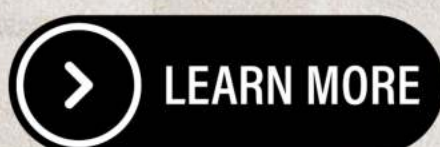
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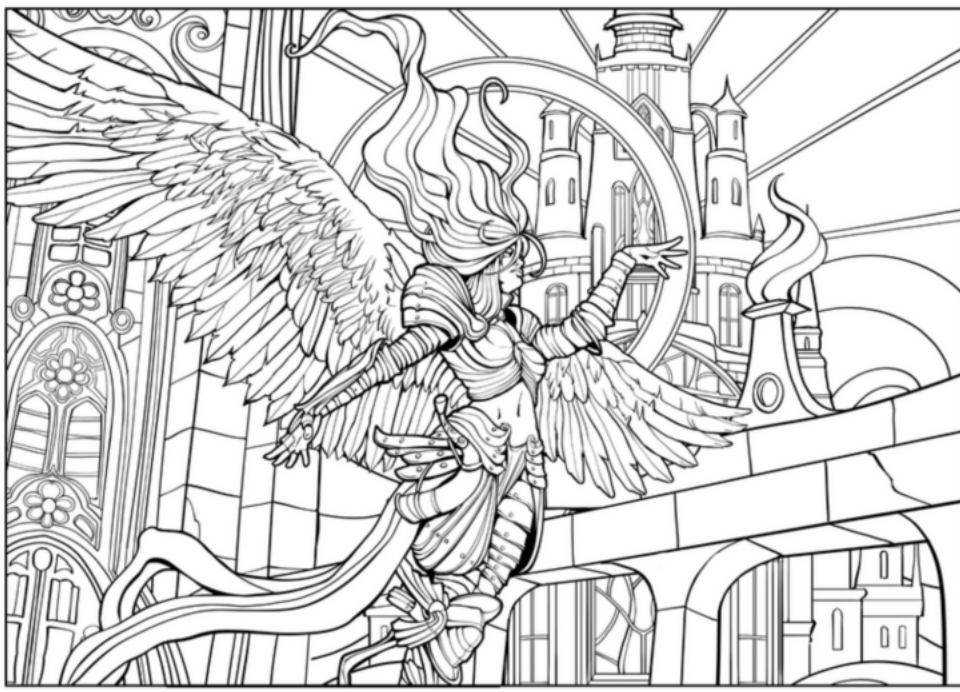


Learn more about Vanessa here!





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EMINA ANNIA - BRIGHTBLOOD EMPRESS

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Coloring isn't just for kids y'all! Charissa has adopted coloring as a creative way to relax. She thought you might want to give it a try!

She found this artwork on Shutterstock which reminded her of the Seekers of the Last Light world, specifically Emina Annia, the Brightblood Empress, who is not as angelic as she appears.

If you **do** color this piece, Charissa would love to see your end result!!

SMALL BUSINESS HIGHLIGHT: WHERE CAN YOU FIND WITCH WALKER MERCH?



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- [Crab Apple Books](#)
- [Coco's Common Room](#)
- [Between Pages Jewelry](#)
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