

JOSS WALKER'S FEBRUARY DISPATCH

Athena, Fantastical Libraries, and Tons of Goodies!

Hello, you glorious creatures,

I am so grateful for how quickly this little newsletter is growing, and I would love to know a little more about you. Would you mind participating in this short poll?

Which of the following best describes your reading preferences?

I only read fantasy and/or
sci-fi

I like both fantasy and
real-world stories (crime
thrillers and literary
fiction)

My alter ego did a [short post recently about the joys of ASMR rooms](#). There really is nothing like writing while escaping into these worlds, and, as I wrote the piece to the dulcet tones of a proper thunderstorm, no tornado threat possible, it struck me my love of the ASMR might be one of the reasons I adore fantasy so much.

Fantasy as a genre has been a part of my life since I was a child, not only in space travel and elvish lore but also in the form of a small obsession with mythological stories. As a thriller author, many of my cohorts look at me sideways when I wax on about how much fun it is to write fantasy, but it's true. There is something very special about being able to alter our world, our day-to-day existence, into something magical. That's why I love the Chosen One story trope so much. It feels almost possible, like somewhere out there, a different destiny awaits.

My absolute favorite sub-trope of this is women who find their powers, and are thrust into a leadership role, the role of a hero, and interestingly, I write those themes in both fantasy and thriller stories. I suppose that's where my mythological background comes into play. Athena was always a favorite of mine, and I seem to be recreating her on the page in a variety of forms. Do you see Athena in Jayne? I sure do ☐

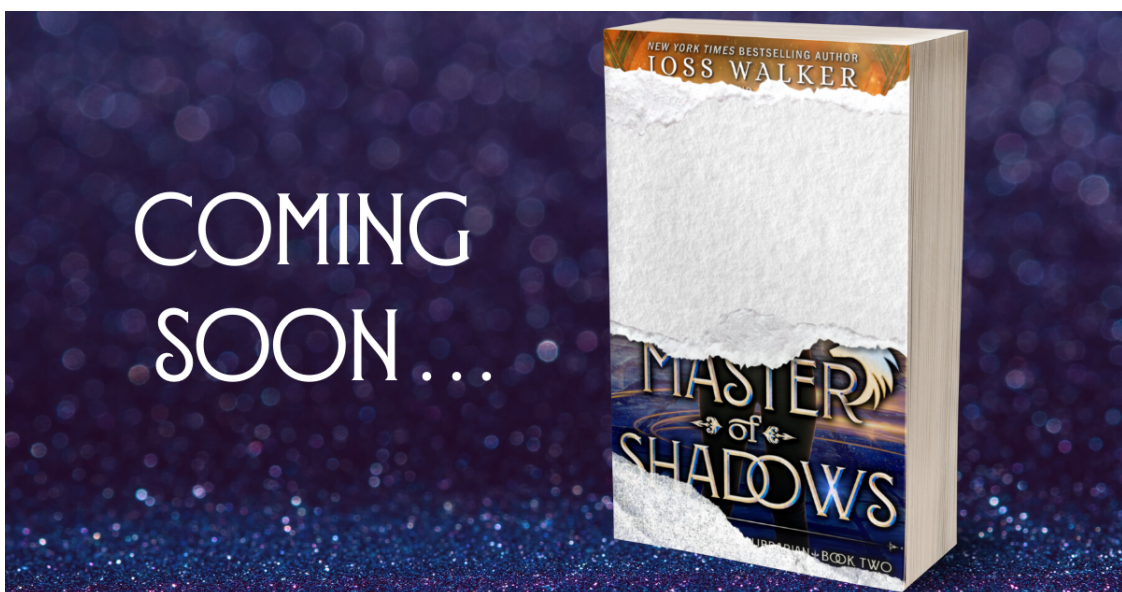


Congratulations to our audiobook winners! I hope you adore the wonderful audio of [TOMB OF THE QUEEN!](#)

WINNERS:

- leung.rita
- valdscott
- beba.andrich
- aumick6

The winners should have received an email from me with instructions for your free download. If you're listed above and haven't gotten your email, please let me know!



Not to be a tease—well, yes, this is a pretty big tease... but the cover of [Master of Shadows](#) is done, and over the next couple of newsletters, I will be revealing it, bit by bit.

Thanks for being a part of my fantasy family! Read on for some amazing opportunities to score some more cool stories!

READER OF THE MONTH

Each month, I feature a bookstagrammer who's caught my eye! If you'd like to participate, be sure to use the hashtag #josswalkerbookstagram and tag me at @josswalkerbooks!

This month's pick is [@reading.dragonfly!](#)

I love the simple yet elegant way she displays her books, especially alongside the bookmarks! Give her a follow [here!](#)



FEATURED BOOKS & BARGAINS

Book recommendations, promotions, and giveaways just for you!



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JOSS WALKER'S READERS & ROGUES

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