JOSS WALKER'S MARCH DISPATCH

Getting Back to Normal

Hello you glorious creatures,

I will admit to a wee bit of panic this morning when I realized it was time to send you another dispatch. Sometimes the weeks fly by, and nothing happens that feels important enough to share. My alter ego has been on tour and focused 100 percent on the non-fantasy world. Though traveling is its own form of fantasy, isn't it? You leave your home and put your life in the hands of strangers, and a few hours later, you appear in a different world entirely. It's portal magic, with attendant delays, crying babies, and grumpy people who seem to forget their manners the moment they get in the air.

What I would not give for a portal... of course, we can just open a book and have the same experience, in many ways.

Speaking of portals, though, now that I'm home, I've gotten back to work on the edits of book 3, **The Keeper of Flames**, and also am editing two Guardian shorts stories. R.L. was here in February, and we plotted out two stories, **Guardians of Power** and **Guardians of Fury**, and built the framework and outline for Jayne's fourth adventure, which I don't think we've shared the title for yet but will soon. Its acronym, though, is POW, which makes me giggle every time I see it written down or say it aloud. Reminds me of the old Batman and Robin comics. POW! Kablooey! Shazam!

And... I've just dated myself.

While I'm busy working with RL to fill the pipeline, there is some fun news to share—for you collectors out there, signed hardcovers of Tomb of the Queen and Master of Shadows are available from **The Signed Bookshop**! This is the coolest endeavor, and I can't wait to get you some special editions as we get further into the series.

I've also been in a reading slump, and when that happens, I treat myself to a great fantasy read. I've just started **An Ember in the Ashes** by Sabaa Tahir, and holy cats, it is fabulous! Have you read her yet? I'm so excited to have found a new series to dig into.

And with that, I'll bid you adieu for now! Have a lovely transition through the vernal equinox.

Last month, you let me know that you primarily prefer giftcard givewaways, though more than 52 percent of you never win anything! (Me, too.) In light of this, I'm going to start giving away a \$10 digital giftcard every month. The

winner will be contact before the next dispatch. Enter below, and may the odds be ever in your favor.

HURRAH, GIFTCARD!

R.L. is running another <u>Kickstarter</u> for some beautiful special editions of her novels, and that's something I wanted to ask you. Would you be interested in special editions of the Jayne books, done through Kickstarter?

Yay or Nay - I want special editions!





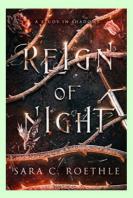


I'm so excited to be a part of this cool giveaway! Ten hardcovers, ten authors, ten amazing stories. **Hop on over to Instagram** to enter!





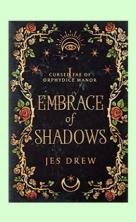






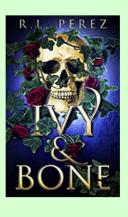












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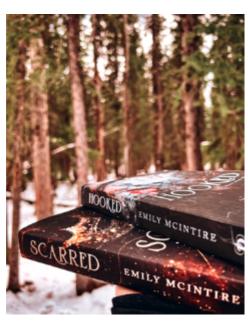
READER OF THE MONTH

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 <u>@thebookish.aesthetic</u>

Oh my goodness, the snowy mountainous forest aesthetic of this feed is just to die for. It makes me want to curl up by the fire with a warm mug of hot cocoa and a good book!

Give her a follow!



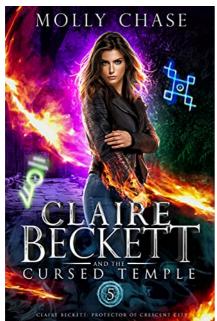






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Goal #1: Find the Codex.

I thought ridding myself of Lee Vance would mean I could sleep better at night, but I'm running on fumes. Bodies are dropping around the city, all with the same MO. It's a regular serial killer case until my name pops up at multiple crime scenes.

Enter my ex-boyfriend, Stetson Vanderberg, and my grumpiness is off the charts. Turns out he is part of the PFBI - Paranormal Federal Bureau of Investigation and he never said a word to me about it.

When a second case pops up dealing with mind control, I know I've got to figure out where my mother hid the Codex.

Alone, because of whoever is in charge of the Sparrow's Army. Another thing I'm in the dark about.

The only thing that will help me get through this would be to find the Codex. It's my last hope.

SOUNDS COOL!

I already have three fated mates—so why is my world turned upside down when the guy I crushed on years ago suddenly appears in Smoky Falls, Tennessee?

As if I don't have enough problems with classes, Homecoming, pack politics, and claiming my fated mates, Derrek showing up here puts everyone in an uproar.

I haven't seen him in over a year, and something about his explanation just doesn't add up. Even so, we have a connection I can't deny.



Of course my fated mates don't like him, and no one in the pack trusts him at all. They say I'm crazy for listening to his ideas, but they're nuts if they think I'll

just lie down and accept being cursed for the rest of my life.

There has to be a way to break the curse, and if Derrek is the only one who will help me, maybe he's the only one I can trust.

Even if it costs me the love of my fated.

I'M IN!



A girl with a monster in her shadow. A warlock believed dead four years ago. A werewolf outcast from the London packs.

Rob wants a good job, friends to head to the pub with and a solid cage to lock himself in three nights a month. Julian dropped off the face of the Earth four years ago. He's back and trying to stay under the radar. Can they learn to work together in time to survive the dangers that prowl the London night?

Fiona has a monster in her shadow but she doesn't know how it got there. A creature in the shape of a man is on her trail and he knows

things about Fiona she doesn't know herself. Along with her inventor ten-year-old sister Jessica, can Fiona unravel the web of lies that surrounds them both?

All the while, beneath their feet the plague dead of centuries stir in their graves, waiting for the spell that holds them to break...

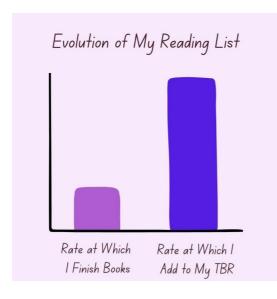
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