

Signs Of Cupidity A Fantasy Reverse Harem Story Heart Hassle Book 1

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Loving Writing/Ovid's Amores

Note to my stupid cupid self: The next time I go and anchor myself to a hot covey, make sure those anchors aren't about to compete in a fight to the death. Yeah. Total downer. I have a body now and I don't intend to lose it. I also don't intend to lose the genfins that I've grown so attached to. So it's time to return to the kingdom island and hope like hell that my guys make it through the royal trials of the culling. I also have to hope that the prince of the realm doesn't spot me. If he does, I'm pretty sure I have imprisonment and torture to look forward to. But we can make it through this. I know we can. I'm at least 70% sure we can, anyway. Okay, maybe it's more like fifty-fifty. But after we do? Well, my to-do list is long, but convincing my genfins that they belong with me is pretty high up there. So is dessert. And trying some fairy wine. And skinny dipping. Also sex. Lots and lots of sex. But mostly, I just want what I've always wanted--to have love of my own. Wings crossed that the genfins get on board with that plan. This cupid has her work cut out for her. Author's note: This is the second book of the Heart Hassle Series, so there is a cliffhanger. Be warned. This is a reverse harem story and includes sexually explicit scenes and mature language. Intended for ages 18 years and older.

Conversations with Heaven

I live with a pack of misfit shifters. Freaks. Rogues. Oddballs. Prey. Runts. Deformed. We're all welcome in Pack Aberrant. We aren't going to be winning any popularity contests, but our hodgepodge bunch is more loyal than even the strongest pred packs. I should know. I grew up in one of them. As soon as they realized I was different, I was despised, even by my own family. So I left, joined Pack Aberrant, and I've steered clear of alpha pred assholes ever since. Until my heatwave hits, and I accidentally jump three coyote shifters in a parking lot. Whoopsie. Once they realize what my animal is, they're gonna kick me to the curb just like every other pred shifter has. And my old pack? They come back to haunt me. I'm unwanted by

the three hotties, threatened by my old pack, and to top it all off, I have to find a new job because I attacked a bank robber. Accidentally. Being a misfit really sucks sometimes. Author's Note: Addie's story is book one in the Pack of Misfits series. Every book will be a standalone for that character, but a continuation of the Pack Aberrant story. Book one is a reverse harem with multiple love interests with the main character. However, this is not a reverse harem series. Some main characters in this series will have monogamous relationships. *This is intended for ages 18 and older due to sexual content and strong language.

Can't Fix Cupid

Willa Knight: The saviour of both worlds, or the destruction of everything? Sometimes history lies, and the tales of Minatsol and Topia are no different. Since the birth of Topia, Staviti has woven a web of deceit around the truth of Creation, striving only to maintain his power while destroying anything that gets in his way. Now, Willa and the Abcurses are determined to strip back the layers, to uncover the truth, and to understand the true nature of the two worlds before it's too late. The only problem? Any wrong step in their quest to restore balance might have terrible repercussions. Every single being-living or dead-might have to pay the price. This is a full novel, 90,000 words. Book 5 of 5 in the Curse of the Gods Series.

Claimed by Gods

First comes love, then comes mating, then comes the baby and some cupid training. Cupidville is overrun with new cupid recruits, and it's up to me to train them in time for Valentine's Day. Too bad I have four mates who keep insisting that it's time for me to take a break. Juggling my role as the cupid boss, being a mate, and handling motherhood isn't always easy, but it's sure as hearts worth it. Let's just hope I can get these cupid flunkies trained in time. Author's Note: This is a Heart Hassle novella just in time for Valentine's Day. Books 1-3 in the Cupidity world must be read before this story. Intended for audiences eighteen years and older.

Prison Princess

Willa Knight: Dweller? Sol? Accidental evolutionary hiccup? Willa has never been a particularly useful dweller: she isn't very good at chores, she isn't very good at worshipping, she isn't very good at not having opinions, and she isn't very good with rules-but none of that matters anymore. The rules are changing. The dwellers are trying to make their own way in the world, and Willa can't seem to help getting tangled up in their plans. Luckily, she has the Abcurse brothers to help her out-until she doesn't, and suddenly she's alone again in a world on the brink of chaos. With the Abcurses gone, she'll have to rely on her wits, and her sister Emmy, to stay under the radar and survive. Because someone wants her dead. But, really,

what else is new? This is a full novel, 90,000 words. Book 3 of 5 in the Curse of the Gods Series

Addie

Cupid can take the form of extraterrestrials, angel watchers, troll spirits, or reptilians. Through several case histories and identifiable signs and symptoms, Eve Lorgen introduces a new understanding of mystically connected love relationships gone wrong. She challenges readers to enhance their awareness of the possibility of relationship interference and manipulated psychic connections, and offers practical tools for recognizing, dealing with, and healing from these traumatic soul mate connections. Whether you are a fan of paranormal romance, someone seeking your soul mate, or simply want to know how psychic vampirism occurs in a love affair, then this book is for you.

Brothers of the Flame

I'm so fucking scared right now.No, not just scared--I'm terrified.And if you're reading this, you should be, too.I fell through the Looking-Glass; I got back home.But get this: I didn't come alone. Oh, and it doesn't feel like home anymore.Unlike Alice in the original story, this is not my Wonderland.In the original story, the Walrus and the Carpenter didn't follow Alice back.In that story, she didn't bring her harem of lovers with her to meet Dad.Mom, Dad, meet my nine boyfriends; one of them's a faerie who foretells the future--is that what I'm supposed to say?Back in Underland, things are even worse.Betrayal, heartbreak, and death that's all that's waiting for us in Castle Heart.I'm "the Alice", bringer of prophecy, and I'm starting to fall for all nine men in my life.So, can I stop the chaos that's rolling in on black wings?If you're reading this, can you help me, please?Save the world, get the guys, and give me my happy ending.ALLISON SHATTERS THE LOOKING-GLASS (Book 3 of 3 in the "Harem of Hearts" series) -- is a full-length reverse harem/new adult/dark romance novel, a gritty retelling of "Alice's Adventures in Wonderland". Don't expect a children's tale; these characters are nothing like their more innocent counterparts. This book contains: drugs, cursing, violence, sex and love found in the darkest shadows.***THIS IS A COMPLETED SERIES***

Ovid, Amores (Book 1)

Offers detailed reading of the Amores, oriented toward the writer's and reader's pleasure, that reframes the discussion around elegy and identity.

Cradle Of The Gods (The Soulstone Prophecy Book 1)

The gods walk among us. And they just might steal your soul or your heart. I thought I'd survived everything life could throw at me. All I wanted was to keep my distance from the criminals I work for and get my little brother out of the hell that is our mother's house. Then I died and woke up to four stunningly hot gods telling me I'm now a valkyrie. Sly, sharp Loki. Jovial but ferocious Thor. Dreamily compassionate Baldur. Grim and secretive Hod. They all have something to teach me. And around them, my walls start to crack. But the gods didn't summon me just for kicks. Their king is missing, and they need me to find him. The first three valkyries they sent on the job never made it back. More power is awakening in me than I could ever have imagined--and the gods' enemies are more devious than even they knew. It's going to take every trick in the book for me to save myself, my brother, and these divine men who're getting under my skin in the most alluring way. I'm Aria Watson, and Valhalla ain't seen nothing yet.

Seduction

Eminent critic Achille Mbembe reevaluates history and racism, offering a capacious genealogy of the category of Blackness from the Atlantic slave trade to the present to show how the conjoining of the biological fiction of race with definitions of Blackness have been and continue to be used to uphold oppression."

The Girl Who Cries Colors

It's never a good combo to be broke and desperate. You do stupid things. Like accidentally sign your soul over to Hell. When I interviewed for a new security job, I didn't bat an eye that it was for a literal graveyard shiftheadstones and all. I mean, at the hourly rate they were offering, who cares? I got this. Turns out, I'm not guarding a graveyard like I thought. It seems I've just walked my broke ass into protecting a Gate to Hell. Yeah! don't got this. Now I'm stuck in a terrifying new reality: a group of hot demons who act like I can solve all their problems, and a battle between good, evil, and balance. This will seriously teach me to read the fine print on Help Wanted ads. Good thing this job comes with a scythe. Maybe I can use it to stop them from dragging my ass into Hell.

Allison Shatters the Looking-Glass

Ariel Kimber is a 17-year-old girl who, thanks to her mother, has had a life full of unpleasantness and abuse. And it's about to get a whole lot worse. After her mother meets a man online, Ariel is forced to move to a different state, leaving all that she has ever known behind. Any teenager's nightmare. But Ariel isn't like most teenagers, she's different, and she has literally nothing to leave behind. No friends, no nothing. They move next door to a house that remains empty all summer long until the day before the first day of school. A school where the other kids treat Ariel like garbage because of who her

mother is and the fact that she's different from them, save for a few - her neighbors. Tyson, his mysterious Uncle, Quinton, and twins, Abel and Addison. They quickly become her only friends, but Ariel soon finds out they are hiding things from her, keeping secrets from her. And she wants answers. Surprisingly, they give them to her. What do you do when you find out you're not who you always thought you were and your whole world gets flipped upside down? Ariel Kimber stumbles into a world she didn't know existed, a world of magic and nothing is as it seems. Thankfully, she has the guys to guide her, to hold her hand along the way and she is going to need a whole lot of hand holding.-This is a Reverse Harem series.- There is adult language and some mature content so be warned of that.

Crimes of Cupidity

Based on her own personal experiences and the experiences of ordinary people, bestselling author Theresa Cheung gathers together a collection of comforting and startling stories about contact with the departed. The theme that runs through this book is that the world of spirit is ever present in our lives, and it is possible to reconnect with those we have loved and lost. Using first-hand accounts from people whose lives have been transformed by communication from those who have passed on, Theresa shows that you can begin your own dialogue with heaven, offering comfort to those grappling with the loss of a loved one. The book concludes with a 'how to' section to help readers find their own way to talk to heaven.

Mrs. Harkness and the Panda

From Catullus to Horace, the tradition of Latin erotic poetry produced works of literature which are still read throughout the world. Ovid's *Amores*, written in the first century BC, is arguably the best-known and most popular collection in this tradition. This book contains embedded audio files of the original text read aloud by Aleksandra Szypowska. Born in 43 BC, Ovid was educated in Rome in preparation for a career in public services before finding his calling as a poet. He may have begun writing his *Amores* as early as 25 BC. Although influenced by poets such as Catullus, Ovid demonstrates a much greater awareness of the funny side of love than any of his predecessors. The *Amores* is a collection of romantic poems centered on the poet's own complicated love life: he is involved with a woman, Corinna, who is sometimes unobtainable, sometimes compliant, and often difficult and domineering. Whether as a literary trope, or perhaps merely as a human response to the problems of love in the real world, the principal focus of these poems is the poet himself, and his failures, foolishness, and delusions. By the time he was in his forties, Ovid was Rome's most important living poet; his *Metamorphoses*, a kaleidoscopic epic poem about love and hatred among the gods and mortals, is one of the most admired and influential books of all time. In AD 8, Ovid was exiled by Augustus to Romania, for reasons that remain obscure. He died there in AD 17. The *Amores* were originally published in five books, but reissued around 1 AD in their current three-book form. This edition of the first book of the collection contains the complete Latin text of Book 1, along with commentary,

notes and full vocabulary. Both entertaining and thought-provoking, this book will provide an invaluable aid to students of Latin and general readers alike. This work was published by Saint Philip Street Press pursuant to a Creative Commons license permitting commercial use. All rights not granted by the work's license are retained by the author or authors.

Critique of Black Reason

You'd think that basically being in charge of love would be an epic job, right? Wrong. Sure, I can blow some Lust into people's faces and watch the show, but I can't actually participate. It gets old, trust me. Same goes for love. I can pass it out like sugar-free lollipops at a dentist's office, but I can't get any love for myself. It totally sucks. I used to consider myself a hopeless romantic, so why wouldn't I choose to become a cupid? Sounds like a good idea, right? Wrong again. They don't call us stupid cupids for nothing. I'm stuck in this never-ending afterlife where I'm invisible, lonely, and bitter as hell. And yeah, I'm probably responsible for some terrible matchmaking out there. Sorry, not sorry. All my bad cupid'ing might be why I was exiled from the human realm. You can only do so much before the cupid bosses get all huffy. Unfortunately, my bitterness carried over into the new realm, and then I attacked a fae prince with Love Arrows. Accidentally. Okay, not accidentally. But hey, he deserved it. What I didn't expect was for him to retaliate and hit my ass with some crazy magic mojo strong enough to push me into the physical realm. Whoa. That's right. This cupid just got a real body. And you know what that means Now, it's my turn to get some. Love, I mean. Get your head out of the gutter. Wink, wink bitches. Author's Note: This is a medium-burn reverse harem story. It includes explicit language and sexual situations. Intended for audiences 18 years and older. As this is a series, there will be a cliffhanger.

Queen Victoria's Book of Spells

What do you get when you have four mates, one psychotic prince, a horde of rebels, and a cupid who just got yanked out of the realm? A big freaking problem, that's what. I was supposed to take on my first real mission as a spy. I was supposed to go find my missing mate and discover who our real allies are for the war that's brewing in the fae realm. Instead, I'm thrown back to where I was first created. Cupidville. And, judging by the look I'm getting from the Head of all Cupidity, and the big Terminate button that he's holding, this problem is about to get much worse. The thing is, I'm more of a lover than a fighter, but when it has to do with staying with my mates, this cupid might just cut a bitch. I've waited my entire existence to find love, and now that I have it, I'm not going to give it up without a fight. Author's note: This is the third book of the Heart Hassle Series. This is a reverse harem story and includes sexually explicit scenes and mature language. Intended for ages 18 years and older.

The Dark Side of Cupid

"We were both steel butterflies, emerging from our cocoons in spiked armour, ready to tackle the skies." Beatrice Harrow grew up in a world where there wasn't a single place that she belonged, but the world is changing. Now, there is an entire kingdom and an actual ghost-with possible bad intentions-under her care, and she doesn't know what to do with either of them. Exiled and separated from her friends, she finds herself swept up in the politics of her unwanted kingdom, with mysterious forces working against her at every turn. It will not be long until the whisperings of war on the horizon become a reality, but the question remains Where will she stand? And who will stand with her?

Grave Mistakes

In the world of Allwyn, a war has led to the downfall of humanity. Thousand years later, the survivors live on the fringes of a vast dwarven empire. Ghile, one of the last humans, is preparing for his Rite of Attrition in a settlement known as the Cradle of the Gods. Meanwhile, Almoriz the Sorcerer and his apprentice Riff arrive in Ghile's village for their annual visit. Their meeting sets forth a series of events that changes Ghile's life forever. He is marked as the Stonechosen, and wields powers of the gods themselves. But Ghile is not alone; others chosen to fulfill the prophecy are also traveling to the Cradle, seeking to destroy him. The time of the Stonechosen has come.

Stupid Cupid

"Gaslamp Fantasy," or historical fantasy set in a magical version of the nineteenth century, has long been popular with readers and writers alike. A number of wonderful fantasy novels owe their inspiration to works by nineteenth-century writers ranging from Jane Austen, the Brontës, and George Meredith to Charles Dickens, Anthony Trollope, and William Morris. And, of course, the entire steampunk genre and subculture owes more than a little to literature inspired by this period. Queen Victoria's Book of Spells is an anthology for everyone who loves these works of neo-Victorian fiction, and wishes to explore the wide variety of ways that modern fantasists are using nineteenth-century settings, characters, and themes. These approaches stretch from steampunk fiction to the Austen-and-Trollope inspired works that some critics call Fantasy of Manners, all of which fit under the larger umbrella of Gaslamp Fantasy. The result is eighteen stories by experts from the fantasy, horror, mainstream, and young adult fields, including both bestselling writers and exciting new talents such as Elizabeth Bear, James Blaylock, Jeffrey Ford, Ellen Kushner, Tanith Lee, Gregory Maguire, Delia Sherman, and Catherynne M. Valente, who present a bewitching vision of a nineteenth century invested (or cursed!) with magic. A Kirkus Reviews Best Fiction Book of 2013 At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

The Soulstoy Inheritance

He's mythologically hot, a little bit wicked, and almost 100% immortal. And he'll hit you right in the heart . . . "Miss Black, we have a big problem." Lila Black doesn't believe in matchmaking, let alone soul mates. So then why is she constantly being hassled by the Cupids Matchmaking Service? But this gilded, cherub-bedecked dating agency isn't exactly what it seems . . . and it's about to turn Lila's entire world upside down. It turns out that Cupids Matchmaking is the real deal. As in, it's run by actual cupids—who don't look at all like they do in the paintings—and they have a serious problem with Lila's "match." Because this guy shouldn't be in the system. He shouldn't have a match. And while he's irresistibly hot, he's also incredibly dangerous. Because Lila's true love match is Cupid. The original bad boy of love. And he wants her. Now Lila's once-normal teenaged world has exploded into a mythological nightmare overrun by crime-lord sirens, wrathful cupid hit men, magic arrows that cause no end of trouble, and a mischievous, not-so-angelic love god she can't seem to stop herself from falling for . . . Adored by 50 million readers on Wattpad, Lauren Palphreyman's smash-hit book is now in print for the first time.

Quit It

Imprisoned, tormented and forgotten I've never seen the outside of these four walls. I was born in Nightmare Penitentiary, and I'll probably die here too. Or so I thought. When an assassin captures me, I realize I'm far more powerful than anyone knows. I'm a princess. A Druid. The last of my kind. I command the earth and the moon speaks to me. There is royal blood running through these veins. Tasked with bringing me back to my family, my captor is stuck by my side. The more time we spend together, the more I learn about the birthright stolen from me and the enemy who stole it. And the longer I'm with my assassin, the more my heart softens. I never imagined that a harsh, lonely man would bring help. I never thought that leaving Nightmare would put me on a much different path. A path full of hope. Of freedom. Of love. A path that leads to accepting my birthright, with an assassin by my side. But the future is blurry. There are two roads. One leads to happiness-to love. The other leads to demise. And even I can't see which one wins.

Pain

Traces the story of a 1930s female adventurer who brought America its first panda bear, describing how she inherited a seemingly impossible expedition from her explorer husband and defied period conventions to travel up the Yangtze River and into the wilderness to bring back an adorable panda cub she named Su Lin, which means "a little bit of something cute." Illustrated by the Caldecott Honor-winning artist of *A River of Words*.

Hotter Than Hades

At a quick glance, Carrie looks just like everybody else in her seventh-grade class. She gets good grades, acts in school plays, kicks a pretty decent soccer ball, and is a sensational Game Boy champion. But watch her a little longer and Carrie looks very different. She shrugs her shoulder a little too often, jerks her head, coughs and sniffs in uncontrollable bursts. She has Tourette's syndrome. And at a time when all a kid wants to do is blend in with the crowd, she stands out like crazy.

Down and Out in Paradise

The epic story of the migration of the Huns and Magyars from Asia to Europe.

Speak

Thousands of years ago, I fell from Heaven to love a human woman. I willingly gave up my wings. Shunned my place in Heaven. Because she was all I needed. Then I lost everything. Forced to live on inside the body of a vampire, I searched for her, knowing she'd return to me in another life. But I finally gave up hope of finding my love, as so many of my fallen brothers had also done. I went dormant. Gave over control to my vampire host, Galen. Until Reese woke me and my search began again. My soul mate is here, somewhere, waiting for me to find her and claim her. But Heaven and Hell are on the edge of war, and I'm the only one who can stop it. This is a boxed set of the complete Fallen Angel Trilogy Contents include: Waking the Watcher (Book 1) Denying the Watcher (Book 2) Releasing the Watcher (Book 3) Plus exclusive bonus content.

Gypsy Blood

Anecdotes of the author's experiences with dating mostly men from online dating sites.

The Art of Game Design

"You see, there is safety in simplicity in a life of simple peace, where the electricity doesn't dance across the backs of my eyelids, and the sparks don't slither over my consciousness. Only asinine peace, where my paintings don't seem to paint themselves, leaving me with terrible feelings of premonition and a chill beneath my fingernails." Seraph Black used to think that she was prepared for anything. She could last days without eating and she always walked away from the violent altercations with her father relatively unharmed. She survived working at the club and the drive to school every day in her mother's rust-bucket of a car but it all changed when Noah and Cabe came bulldozing into her life, careless of the precious secrets they picked apart in their quest to take over her world. She was even less prepared for the mysterious Miro and Silas, and nothing could have prepared her for the bond. The connection. The reason for it all. Someone wanted her to stay

away from her new friends, but she wasn't willing to do that. Everyone had secrets. She wanted to know theirs. They wanted to own hers. And the stalker? He seemed to know everything already. This is a full, 100,000 word novel. Book 1 of the Seraph Black series.

The White Stag

The Gods Are Back in Town. Well, to be precise, they never left. Just because people stopped believing in them, didn't make them disappear, and Hades, Apollo, Ares, Poseidon, and Zeus are all about town as they ever were. They just have different names. Ziel Dearil is the God of the dead and the King of the Underworld. With his guardians at his side, demi-god Orpheus, and hero Icarus, he's been ruling his rather boring realm with an iron fist since time began. Then, everything changes when Cressida Jonas walks into their world. When Hades informs the multi platinum-selling, multi award-winning singer that she's his wife, any normal woman might have run screaming for the hills. Cressida, on the other hand, sees this as an opportunity to get revenge on the man who wronged her eighteen months ago. Falling for three guys was never a part of the program, just vengeance, but of course, the Fates have a way of messing with the best laid plans. See what they have in store for Cressida, Hades, Icarus, and Orpheus in HOTTER THAN HADES!

The Sapphire Scythe

A fiercely authentic, critically acclaimed and award-winning modern classic. 'Speak up for yourself - we want to know what you have to say.' From my first day at Merryweather High, I know this is a lie. Nobody will even talk to me, let alone listen - all because I called the cops on an end-of-summer party. But if I could only tell everyone why I called the police that night if I could explain what happened to me if I could speak then everything might change. 'With the rise of women finding their voices and speaking out about sexual assault in the media, this should be on everyone's radar Powerful, necessary, and essential.' - Kirkus

Inspector of the Dead

Now reissued with a substantial new afterword, this highly acclaimed overview of Western attitudes towards the East has become one of the canonical texts of cultural studies. Very exciting! His case is not merely persuasive, but conclusive. John Leonard in The New York Times His most important book, Orientalism established a new benchmark for discussion of the West's skewed view of the Arab and Islamic world. Simon Louvish in the New Statesman & Society Edward Said speaks for interdisciplinarity as well as for monumental erudition! The breadth of reading [is] astonishing. Fred Inglis in The Times Higher Education Supplement A stimulating, elegant yet pugnacious essay. Observer Exciting! for anyone interested in the

history and power of ideas. J.H. Plumb in The New York Times Book Review Beautifully patterned and passionately argued. Nicholas Richardson in the New Statesman & Society

For the Love of Cupidity: A Valentine's Day Novella

Luke Williams flies to Kuala Lumpur coming down off crystal meth without plans or much cash. He is in Asia for three years. He spends time working as a prostitute in Pattaya, eats snake heart in Vietnam, consults an American medium in Ubud, and explores the eye-popping red light scenes in Jakarta and the Philippines. Along the way, he encounters other Westerners who go to Asia for the things they can't find at home - riches, wives, ladyboys, cheap living and even cheaper drugs, cults, spices, mountains, tropical beaches, beach gigolos, 'self-esteem' necklaces, and ascended masters. Luke fully immerses himself in every environment and encounter, going far beyond reportage, while aspects of his own history - his dreams, disappointments, urges, and his inherited struggle with mental illness - begin to catch up with him. He becomes addicted to Valium, is haunted by the past, and ends up in jail. Ultimately, Luke is confronted by what is and what was, and his own footprint upon it all.

Strength

The Jungle Book

I'm not all that special, really. Or uncommon. I'm sure there are a lot of girls with old gypsy blood who see the dead, have killer cults hunting their family, and turn into something that gets scary when they panic. Yep. Completely unoriginal, if I do say so myself. Move along. Nothing to see here. Nope. I'm just an ordinary girl. I wish people would believe that. I've been labeled as one thing or another for most of my life: Death Girl. Crazy Gypsy Girl. Gothic Chick. Monster. It took my mother's death for me to finally start getting answers about what's really been going on. Unfortunately, most of the answers come from men who aren't just men. Somehow, I've gone and landed myself in a world truly filled with monsters, and I'm starting to think this is where I should have been all along. Only I don't understand what's going on. I'm walking into the middle of a story that's thousands of years old, and I'm the new girl on the block who doesn't have a clue how this world even works. My only guides happen to be the most lethal of the bunch. They decide who lives or dies. They decide who gets stabbed or tortured. Yeah! I've gone and drawn attention to myself, and the ones paying attention are the ones everyone else seems to fear. How do these things always happen to me? **Reverse Harem** Language warning **Sexual content** Dark Humor

The Fallen Angel Trilogy

Anyone can master the fundamentals of game design - no technological expertise is necessary. The Art of Game Design: A Book of Lenses shows that the same basic principles of psychology that work for board games, card games and athletic games also are the keys to making top-quality videogames. Good game design happens when you view your game from many different perspectives, or lenses. While touring through the unusual territory that is game design, this book gives the reader one hundred of these lenses - one hundred sets of insightful questions to ask yourself that will help make your game better. These lenses are gathered from fields as diverse as psychology, architecture, music, visual design, film, software engineering, theme park design, mathematics, writing, puzzle design, and anthropology. Anyone who reads this book will be inspired to become a better game designer - and will understand how to do it.

Charcoal Tears

Born in battle, my birth brought peace. But peace is boring and so is the warlock I'm betrothed to. Real Name: Aria Emanuele Code Name: The Sapphire Scythe Supe Status: First vampire/Succubus hybrid. Heir to the Aeternae clan. Military status: Top spy and assassin for the Universal Army. I've been running from my duties as the heir to the supe kingdom to marry Cade, my intended, and create more hybrid children for centuries. I've been playing soldier, spy, assassin, or whatever takes me close to the action instead. My parents and my people think I just need time to sow my royal oats, but I love this too much to give it up. Humans have brought themselves to World War Three. My mission in the Universal Army is to get close to the dictator who caused it. I already suspect he's got a supe close to him, but I'm keeping it to myself for now. I want to do this myself. I had a mark close to Zimin, the dictator. My mission was simple. Extract information, then kill him. Something went horribly wrong that night. I wake up in a hotel room with a Lycan, a vamp, and a warlock. All trained assassins like me. Seems my dear parents sent them here. There's also a little catch in there. According to the men in my hotel, nature has given me three mates instead of one. Nature and my parents expect me to pick. Nature has sick sense of humor and seems to know my horrible taste in men. There's Ronric, the huge Irish Lycan, Rainer, the dark Egyptian Warlock, and Kalon, the swarthy Bulgarian vampire. I had a lot of fun in all three countries before swearing off men from any of those places and refusing to go back. Now, I've got 3 beautiful men in front of me with all the qualities I want in a man and I have no idea how I'm supposed to pick.

Orientalism

LEGENDARY THRILLER WRITER DAVID MORRELL TRANSPORTS READERS TO THE FOGBOUND STREETS OF LONDON, WHERE A KILLER PLOTS TO ASSASSINATE QUEEN VICTORIA. The year is 1855. The Crimean War is raging. The incompetence of British commanders causes the fall of the English government. The Empire teeters. Amid this crisis comes opium-eater Thomas De Quincey, one of the most notorious and brilliant personalities of Victorian England. Along with his irrepressible

daughter, Emily, and their Scotland Yard companions, Ryan and Becker, De Quincey finds himself confronted by an adversary who threatens the heart of the nation. This killer targets members of the upper echelons of British society, leaving with each corpse the name of someone who previously attempted to kill Queen Victoria. The evidence indicates that the ultimate victim will be Victoria herself.

Signs of Cupidity

When Rebecca St. Claire turns down a proposal of marriage to a potential senator in public, she knows it's going to be all over the news. However, that's not her worry right now. Instead, she has to deal with the cops at her door, telling her to move her car for the neighbor across the street. As soon as they leave, she heads outside, promptly locking herself out of her house. Realizing her mistake, she digs in the snow to find a spare key. Dr. Zane Forrest watches the lady across the street dig in the snow. All he asked was for her to move her car so the moving van could deliver his furniture. He needs to meet this lady and find out if she's crazy. When they meet and he hears her story, he proposes that she use him as a rebound guy, to get rid of the senator and any reporters that want her story. She considers the thought, because it would also give her a date for Christmas at her parents' cabin in Mistletoe, CO. * * * * * The cupid crew is on the case, trying to make this relationship work. With their bad track record and the fact that they're turning it into a competition, it could be worse than disastrous.

Cupid's Match

Here's what I know. Being a cupid is hard work. Love Matches, Lust Breath, Flirt Touches, not to mention having to meet my quotas every month. And hitting your target with arrows? That shit is not easy. But all of that I could handle. Gladly. If only my cupid powers would actually work. But nope. Turns out, I'm a dud. Unless I want to get sucked out of existence, I need to spread some love around fast. The clock is ticking, but I have the perfect candidate to start with. Warren Knight. Smart, hot as hell, rich, bachelor-dud extraordinaire. No matter how many dates he goes on, he just won't seal the deal. It's time I fix him. And fix me too. Of course, the asshole doesn't want to fall in love, so I have my work cut out for me. They say there's no rest for the wicked. Well, they should try being a cupid, because this shit is exhausting. Here goes nothing.

Wishing on Mistletoe Mountain

A painter with a spark in his hands. A muse who holds all the colors inside of her. Together, they will go on a tumultuous path of pain and love. Fate brings them together, but life will rip them apart. This is a dark romance filled with lyrical words of heartbreak, magic, and violence. The powerful prose in this love story will show you the real meaning of colors. Because

he's the prodigal painter who creates beauty, and she's the storm that carries the rainbow in her eyes. Together, their colors will coat the world, and you will never see them the same way again. Author's Note: This book is intended for mature audiences only. Trigger Warnings: It does include scenes of violence, substance use, and non-consensual sex.

Bonds of Cupidity

Willa Knight: Dead? Alive? Damned to a state of eternal bad luck? Willa and the Abcurse brothers are back, and more determined than ever to stick by each other. Unfortunately, Staviti has other plans, plans that threaten to change the natural order of the worlds-though nobody really understands why. His agenda may very well affect all beings on Minatsol, even those that thought themselves safe in Topia. Even Willa-invincible-Knight. Unsure with her new place in the worlds, Willa must follow the Abcurses to their new post: Champions Peak, a secluded mountain far from civilization, where the most powerful sols have been summoned to hone their abilities through direct contact with the gods. There is a chance that she might survive her time on the mountain, but it seems like staying alive amidst the powerful occupants of the Peak is the least of her concerns. Her real problem is staying on the mountain at all. This is a full novel, 90,000 words. Book 4 of 5 in the Curse of the Gods Series

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