

My Return to Canonsland

I'm writing the second book in the series of *Dragon in the Mirror* slower than I prefer. I've mapped out major plot points, started to do some research (even with fantasy, sometimes, research is still required), and I've begun to write the first chapter.

At first, I have to say, it was a little awkward between Jayden and me—it was like reconnecting with an old friend that you haven't spoken to in years. But then, it was as if dust had been blown away between us, and as I began to write, the words flowed freely. It was challenging—but it also felt like going home again.

I'm looking forward to revisiting other friends in the second book, such as Wyndham, Enisseny, Laurence, and Eustace. As well, I can't wait to add to Canonsland's landscape and create new antagonists.

Accomplishments in August:

Happy to announce that *Dragon in the Mirror: Into Canonsland* is now available on multiple platforms!

Check out my website for the latest list as to where you can pick up a copy of the first novel at: <http://www.penelopeshawtre.com>

About That Other Project:

As mentioned in the first newsletter, during the early part of 2020, I wrote a new manuscript that's an urban fantasy story geared to adults. Currently, I'm in the process of trying to find a home for the book with a traditional publisher. This can be a long process, so unless there's something to report, I'll probably keep the battle to myself.

If something happens, I'll share any announcements in this newsletter. 😊

And, on a personal note...

I hope everyone who reads this is doing well during these uncertain and challenging times. This is just a reminder that it's okay, not be to okay. In the scramble to the grocery store donning a mask and covered in the scent of hand sanitizer, the fastidious cleaning of doorknobs, groceries, and almost everything in the desire to

protect family, friends, and strangers please, remember to take time to take care of you. Health is the most important thing.

Scratch your dog's head (or cat's), go for a long walk, have a salad for lunch. Stay healthy.

We'll get through this.

Best,

Penelope

"Sweet child, how are you this night?" Wyndham asks.

"Happy," I say.

~ "Dragon in the Mirror" (April 2016)

Author Bio:



Penelope Hawtrey is a Canadian writer of short stories and novels. In the spring of 2016, she released several short stories and three years later released her first children's fantasy novel titled, *Dragon in the Mirror: Into Canonsland*. This is the first book in a planned series. Currently, she's working on the second book with a tentative release date of late spring 2021.

Penelope's happily married, a sunny day runner, and she loves dogs. She continues to weave stories based in reality and fantasy with a cup of earl grey tea never far away.

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