

The Official Mercedes Lackey &

Larry Dixon Fan Club

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Heyla, Misty fans!

Great news! Misty is SFWA's newest Grand Master! See below.

Into the West is available for preorder and will be out June 21, 2022.

Due to scheduling on our end, we're going to have to go back to Wednesday nights for the QORP starting in January. We may be taking a field trip to Elderwood Manor . . . Hope to see you there!

Development is underway for the Vanyel TV series. I think it's going to be live action. I'll let you know any further details as they cross my screen.

Almost done scanning the books and anthologies (only the stories written by Misty and Larry) for the foods and recipes for the Queen's Own Cookbook. Not sure I can read my own notes, but this is doing wonders for my Goodreads goal for the year. My, Misty writes a lot! Still trying to figure out how to organize it. Like a regular cookbook. By country. By class. By setting. 'Tis a puzzlement. I think I'm going to plug everything in and see if a solution presents itself. Let me know on the QO chat list on Facebook if you have a preference.

Zhai'helleva,

Herald-Mage Adept Danya Winterborn



Here's the link: https://nebulas.sfwa.org/mercedes-lackey-named-the-38th-sfwa-damon-knight-memorial-grand-master/



# **Collegium News:**

We have individual handouts for aspiring Heralds, Healers, Bards, Blues, Mercenaries, Tayledras, Shin'a'in, and White Winds Sorcerers/Sorceresses and instructions on how to work for Herald-Mage status if you are already a Herald or for a Kal'enedral if you are already a Shin'a'in. You can find these handouts online at <a href="http://www.dragonlordsnet.com/qohandouts.htm">http://www.dragonlordsnet.com/qohandouts.htm</a>.

All personae materials should be submitted by e-mail to queensownnewsletter@gmail.com

➤ We have no new persona to announce this month, however we do have several we are hoping will be ready to announce next month!

We have some personae who have not been formally announced yet. Is yours one of them? Let us know!

If you are a returning member who has recently activated your membership in Queen's Own and we have forgotten to list your welcome message, contact Danya at <a href="mailto:Shashtah@gmail.com">Shashtah@gmail.com</a> and she'll make sure you are greeted in the next newsletter.

Special Perk! If you have a Facebook account, you can join the Secret Room to RP with your persona and to attend the QO RP events. The QO RPs are scheduled for the 4th Wednesday of each month at 5:30 PM PST. (Please note we do NOT meet in November or December due to the holidays. Danya is willing to pop into the secret room for an unofficial session if you ask nicely and she has the time.). You are cordially invited!



# Valdemar Merch Announcement

Misty and Larry, in partnership with The Fantasy Network, are soon launching a new line of merch at **High Flight Arts**.



# **Story Prompt:**

As always, if you would like any story published you can submit it to Herald Nalei Rayskeline for Golden Grove: <a href="mailto:sn.keeper@yahoo.com">sn.keeper@yahoo.com</a> with Golden Grove in the subject line.

### November Prompt:

Let's build a new sewer system like the one in the capital, they said. It'll be great, no more bad smells stinking up the market, they said. No one ever bothered to think about the poor sot who would have to repair and clean it.

[If any other fanzine editors would like to send us story prompts, we'd be happy to publish them!]



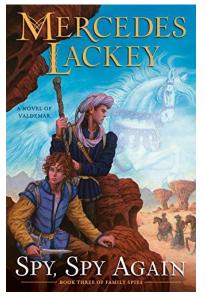


Moonstar

By

Patricia Ash





# **Contest Announcement**

Book Review Contest: Please send along book reviews for any of the Valdemar books, old or new. Please keep the reviews spoiler free. All entrants will be featured within our new book review section of the newsletter, unless requested otherwise. The winner will be announced once we have received at least 3 entries and prize which is a Hard Cover book copy of Spy, Spy Again (Family Spies Book 3). This contest has been extended because we have not had any submissions. Please send in your submissions via email (queensownnewsletter@gmail.com).



### **Book Review**

We don't have any book reviews to share this month. What are you guys reading? Share with us your thoughts we would love to hear it.



## **Publication News:**

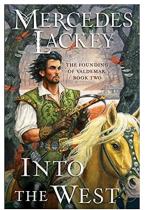


**Boundaries**, is available for pre-release orders at this link

https://amzn.to/3c63XyM

The paperback and Kindle versions will be available on December  $7^{\text{th}}$  .

Note from Amazon: This fifteenth anthology of short stories set in the beloved Valdemar universe features tales by debut and established authors and a brand-new story from Lackey herself.



Into the West, is available for pre-release orders at this link

https://amzn.to/3qw0JwI

Due out June 21, 2022! Available for preorder now!

Please send us reviews of any of Misty's works, old or new. We love to hear from you!

We have found a link to buy used copies of Misty's books for reasonable costs:

https://www.thriftbooks.com/

We have found a link for purchasing Misty's books: <a href="https://www.bookbub.com/authors/mercedes-lackey?list=author\_books">https://www.bookbub.com/authors/mercedes-lackey?list=author\_books</a>

This link can buy all Misty's books in any format you would like. When I selected one of her books, I was given the link to several online shops: Amazon, Barnes & Noble, Google, Apple and Kobo. I like that I have the option regardless of my personal preference of tablet, paperback, hardback, new, used, audiobook. Check it out and let us know what you get, we are always looking for more reviews!



Note from our very own Gryphon King:

Friends,

This is everything I really wanted for Misty. Misty doesn't really win awards because she and I write series & no one book stands out. But 50 years of work—that adds up. This recognition is a dream made real. Thank you @sfwa & all involved.

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## From Herald-Mage Adept Danya Winterborn:

Well, my mother fell and broke her hip, so I was no longer able to take care of her. She's recovering slowly (She's almost 95, so it's a bit of a challenge.). She's now living in Arizona near my sister. I doubt I'll get to see her again except by Zoom, so it's been rough.

I landed a job writing a script for a YouTube video about King Arthur. Haven't done screenwriting since the 1990s, but I imagine it's like getting back on a bicycle. Should be fun.

Development for the Dragonlords TV series is proceeding apace. The screenwriter and I have a great working relationship. Thanks to Atchity Productions for backing the project.

The book I coauthored with John Matthews, *Lucius Artorius Castus: The Roman King Arthur*, should be out in March 2022. It truly is amazing how much work goes into getting a book to press even after it's been sold. I don't know how Misty fits everything into her schedule.

This is our last newsletter until January, but the Queen's Own Chat List on Facebook is active and ready for questions. If you have an approved persona and want to do a little unofficial RPing, I'm up for that as well. See you in January!

Zhai'helleva,

Danya



#### **E-Resources:**

Misty's official page: http://www.mercedeslackey.com/

The Queen's Own website is at <a href="http://www.dragonlordsnet.com/qo.htm">http://www.dragonlordsnet.com/qo.htm</a> (I do need to update it, but a lot of good information is available there and some is actually current!)

The Queen's Own Facebook page is here:

https://www.facebook.com/queensownfanclub/

The Queen's Own Facebook group is here:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/1607409292715707/

Misty's Facebook page is here: https://www.facebook.com/MercedesLackey/

The Mercedes Lackey Fanclub group on Facebook is here:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/2205058863/

The Queen's Own (Valdemar Fan Club) Facebook group is here:

https://www.facebook.com/queensownfanclub/

Mercedes Lackey Discord Server (over 5k followers)

https://discord.gg/bookclub

Amazon has a Mercedes Lackey page: <a href="http://www.amazon.com/Mercedes-Lackey/e/B000APZNR0/ref=sr\_tc\_2\_0?qid=1459664793&sr=8-2-ent">http://www.amazon.com/Mercedes-Lackey/e/B000APZNR0/ref=sr\_tc\_2\_0?qid=1459664793&sr=8-2-ent</a>

Barnes and Noble has a page for Misty here:

https://www.barnesandnoble.com/b/contributor/mercedes-lackey/\_/N-2khg

If you know of any other e-resources, please let us know!



# Chapters & Zines:

Fanfiction can now be published long as you designate that you are doing so under a Creative Commons license. You may not make any money off your fiction, and you may NOT write a Valdemar novel.

- Children of Velgarth: Editor: Kendra Hosseini, aka Healer Adept Moonstar; E-mail: Queensownnewsletter@gmail.com. I publish new and old personae, even previously published persona if asked by members in this new, official QO zine. I will only accept what was sent in for your persona to Queen's Own to be recognized. Any fan fiction written later should be sent to one of the other zines who need it to keep their zines going. This fanzine will be published periodically when it reaches 80 pages or so. Zines will be available online only, and completely free. The zines will be in PDF format, which use adobe reader available for free from the Adobe website. We have the first 6 vols. available!
- **Golden Grove** is now being published on a quarterly basis. For new subscriptions and to submit stories, poetry, personae requirements or other works-based Misty's stories please e-mail them to <a href="mailto:sn.keeper@yahoo.com">sn.keeper@yahoo.com</a> with Golden Grove in the subject line. I am more than happy to help with any editing or beta reading. If anyone has old issues of Golden Grove and can get them to me, you can contact me at the email above. If you can scan them and get me digital copies that would be great, if not and you are willing to part with your copies, I'm willing to pay postage.
- Queen's Own (Valdemar Fan Club): Here's the Facebook page: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/2202088363/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/2202088363/</a> (This is one of our more active chapters at the moment. Let us know if you see any posts from Misty. "Like" Misty's Facebook page while you're at it!)
- The Vanyel Fan Club: Contact: Herald Bastian. Website:
   http://www.dragonlordsnet.com/vfcindex.htm. E-mail:

  Herald\_Bastian@hotmail.com. The Vanyel Fan Club is a chapter of QO that started out as an independent fan organization. The chapter is devoted to fans of Herald-Mage Vanyel Ashkevron from The Last Herald-Mage Trilogy by Mercedes Lackey.



#### Personals:

- O Cookbook Project! The collection of data is almost complete! Now we're down to trying to figure out if some of the ingredients are real or something that Misty made up. Watch for discussions on the Queen's Own Facebook list. Please send suggestions to Herald Mage Danya (shashtah@gmail.com).
- O Waystation Network announcement! Traveling abroad and looking for a bunk to sleep on without having to fumigate your waystation first...? I have a fold-out couch on offer as well as floor space with extra (air) mattresses, available for wandering Bards, Heralds on Circuit or Hawkbrothers in search of an *ekele* (6<sup>th</sup> floor apartment ⓒ). So, if you're in the neighborhood (Leeuwarden area, The Netherlands, ± 2 hours north of Amsterdam by train − less by car) just contact me. Hanna B. Email: hannab@online.nl, Phone: +31(0)58 2665915 / +31 (0)6 25422809. And wouldn't it be nice to have a whole network of Waystations? If more of you are willing to offer spare beds and couches, I'm willing to set up a list to be available through QO.
- O Ellen Million Graphics Long-time Queen's Own member Ellen Million is writing shifter paranormal romance as Elva Birch! Check out her series The Royal Dragons of Alaska with the first book, The Dragon Prince of Alaska. Reluctant royalty, relentless enemies...plus dogs, camping, romance, and magic in an alternate world where dragon shifters rule a collection of Small Kingdoms and a magical compact dictates succession! Ready for a buckle-your-belt binge-read? She also wrote Shifting Sands Resort under the name of Zoe Chant. Thrilling tropical adventure and hot romance wait at a mysterious island resort in this complete 10-book series with two bonus collections of short stories. Start with Tropical Tiger Spy, or save money with the first three-book box set. Don't miss a release! Sign up for her newsletter and get a free collection of flash fiction!
- O Northwest Visions Studio--Art by Laura Cameron. Mixed Media Paintings & Drawings, Fine Art Prints, Commissions, Illustration. Visit her website at: http://www.lauracameron.net/
- **O** *Dragon Visions* by Linda A. Malcor is out in paperback and eBook! Art by Laura Cameron. You can find it on Amazon and Barnes and Noble

as well as at other online outlets. Get updates on the series at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/malcor.dragonlords/">https://www.facebook.com/malcor.dragonlords/</a>

**O From Angela K. Scott**/ Herald Alora Vadel (Angela Rip Scott-Cox-as formatted on Facebook): I continue to sell off everything I own & make, many misc. items (including Misty related) on eBay, as I am in crisis & this is my only source of any inadequate income & truly in desperate need!

http://www.ebay.com/usr/affliktedangel?\_trksid=p2047675.l2559 Things under my business name "AKS Creations" -card packs, stationery, bookmarks, art prints, jewelry & etc.! Also, I'm still available for commission work. You can contact me at UnicornAlora@gmail.com.

- **O From Marianne D-B**: My sister, who died a few years ago, was a huge Mercedes Lackey fan. I used to read the books with her, and we loved discussing them. She has a number of prints of Larry Dixon's that I imagine some fan would like to have. I'm happy to sell them reasonably. They are all framed prints, each about 9 1/4" x 12" (framed size). Here's what I have:
  - Darkwind & Vree, 1991
  - Firesong, 1991
  - > Darkwind & Elspeth, 1991
  - > Starblade & Hyllar, 1991
  - Tre'valen & Dawnfire, 1991
  - ➤ Silverfox & The Returned Tribe, 1991
  - Elspeth & Gwena, 1991
  - > Iceshadow, 1991

You can contact me at duddyburkem@aol.com.



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