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October Newsletter

Cold nights are here!

October has been one amazing month. I took a week off from work for my birthday, I took the InkTober challenge and have been posting my IGTV vids on a regular basis while having a root canal, minor surgery and leaping over the first halfcentury of my life. Whew! I need a vacation! ③ was left behind back in college but has remained as I worked with my book covers and illustrations produced with digital tools and programs. Taking a pen to paper again has been a new struggle I both enjoy and dread. So many people have already given up the challenge in FB and

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That also doesn't take into account the fact that NaNoWriMo is now fast approaching. I fully intend to take on the challenge once again and will go from one form of deadline (Daily drawing) to another (Daily writing) It always sounds simple until I undertake the challenge and find the muscles involved are always going to ache. Drawing has been an old joy for me that although I will not be one of them, I am saddened to see so many give up rather than continue with their passion. In the end, our passions are what make life a joy, regardless of the struggles along the way. I wish all those who have dropped off the best and look forward to the final ten days of this amazing month. Onwards!

Fave Posts

My FB Fave this month is from a question asking "why", a common enough question but one asked most often to a creative. Can I resist answering such questions? Well... no. (3)

Question: How did you get drawn into the genre you write?

My Answer: It all began on the day I was born when a rip in space/time nearly destroyed all of humanity. The event piqued my interest and I decided then and there to seek out the strange and surreal fantasy/scifi stories around me. I suppose that day may have happened a bit differently but I was newborn and hadn't thought to keep a pad and pen handy yet.

Previously: What's going on?

My IGTV vids are rolling along and I am posting daily Instagram pics as well. This is in addition to the InkTober drawings I produce at the end of every day and the writings and notes I put down as I try to plan out the next few years. Did I mention the next year is going to be epic? Oh, yes. I am a glutton for punishment and will not stop producing my works. I'm past 50 years now and the clock is ticking.

My Instagram fave this month is the one posted today. A selfie with a personal thought that I had to share. Onwards!



Never doubt the truth shown in every corner of the world. Greatness exists, thrives and will always be found in our unwavering desire to succeed. Onwards! + My InkTober post for today was also a fun one:

Always seek out and shatter the breakable things in life, like fears, limits and claims of the impossible. Onwards! +



The comic vlog was a fun one as well. Challenges we face will always be a topic of discussion for writers. It is good to find a humorous way of tackling our struggles.



Every IGTV vid short I release is created from the images and words of wisdom I share on a daily basis. Below is a cover of one I have shared. I hope each of them find others who will benefit from the sentiment, ideas and messages shared. Onwards!



Where am I?

Feel free to check out my various social media outlets. I am always happy to share and look forward to every new set of eyes I find. (3)

<u>Facebook</u> <u>Instagram</u> <u>YouTube</u> <u>IGTV</u>