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Five Months On!

Happy August and Happy Saturday, ! I hope that your summer has been more forgiving than ours here in Louisiana.

It's surreal to think that five months ago today, *Stone and Flesh* was released to the world. While it wasn't the start of my author journey, it's one of the most significant chapters. My voluptuous lady of a book is now sitting (on Goodreads) at fourteen four- or five-star ratings and thirteen reviews, including the lovely one below from Jack:



Thank you so much, Jack!

I'll be using the next month or so to reflect on what's worked and what I can do better: how best to bring you the story you love and how best to cultivate the life I love.

Reflections aside, writing continues apace, so this issue is also brief!

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August Flash Sale!

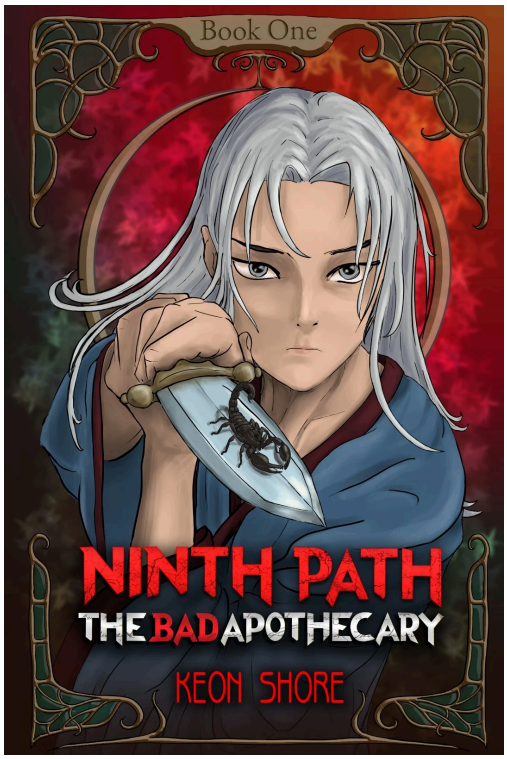
If you haven't grabbed an eBook copy of *Stone and Flesh* (or want to grab one for a friend), good news! If you missed the sale back in July, there will be another: from the **29th to the 31st August** only, and everywhere it's sold! Yes, everywhere!



This sale is hosted by Narratess, a.k.a. the lovely Tessa Hastjarjanto, and you should absolutely check out her work while you're at it. Her sales are well-known in our community and a great way to discover new speculative fiction authors, so mark your calendars!

New Indie Author Interview!

After a brief pause in the series last month, I've resumed my series of interviews with my fellow indie authors! Not only are they a way for me to support my peers and gain juicy insights into their process, they're yet another way for you to find your next favorite!



This time, I talk with the passionate and well-traveled Keon Shore, author of *The Bad Apothecary*, the first book in an Asian-inspired cultivation fantasy adventure.

Read the interview now on my blog, Harken!

What's on the horizon?

As part of my Summer of Reflection, I've been assessing my next goals. Here's a peek at what I want to achieve next (outside of completing *Nectar for Wasps*, of course):

- **Character art!** I'm very particular about this, to say nothing of budget restrictions (I'd like all of the main cast depicted, and eight full-length portraits is a tall order), so I've been researching artists for months now. We'll be starting with Fîeron, and you'll be the first to see it.
- **Finding a international, independent bookstores to stock copies!** Shipping costs to the UK alone have increased by over $20 since I launched, which has made international shipping practically impossible. While big retailers are one solution, I'd like to keep to my small business ethos. If you know of any independent bookstores in your country that might consider it, please reach out!
- **Experimenting with non-FoW side projects!** I promise this isn't the blasphemy it might appear. It's actually an important part of the process, because it helps me stretch, creatively, and acts as stress relief! In the long run, it'll make for a healthier me and thus, a healthier *Fruit of War*. While I can't divulge much at this stage, rest assured they're both (yes, both) fantasy.

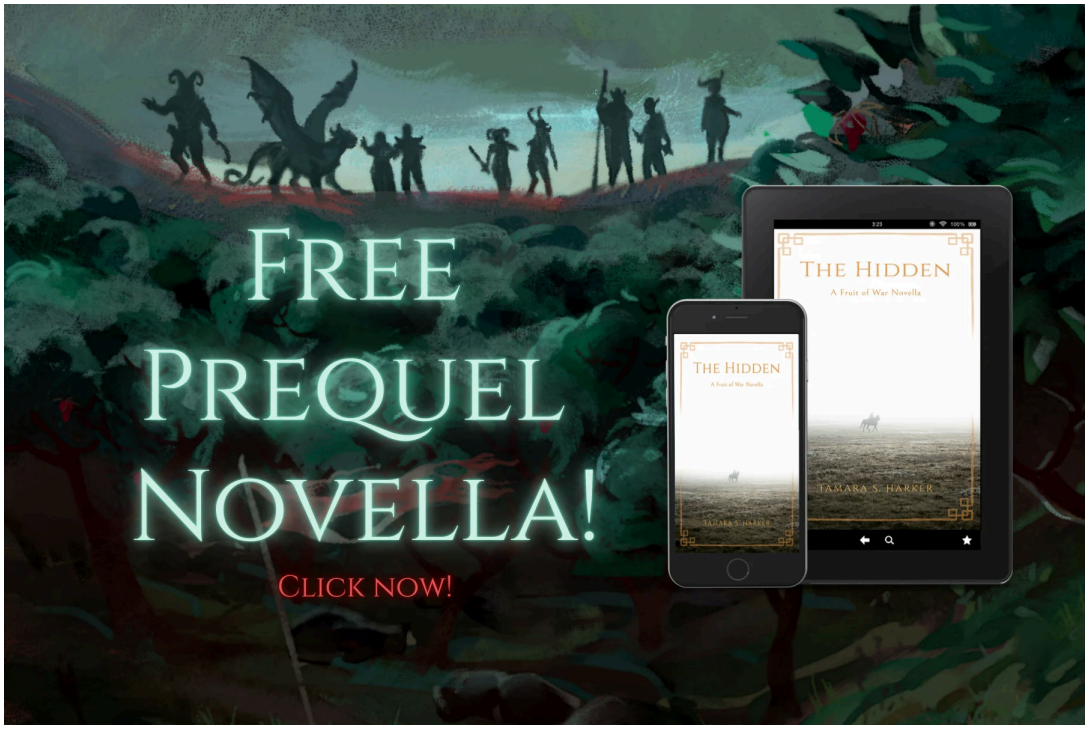
If you'd like to help with any of the above goals, the best way continues to be to spread the word about me and *Stone and Flesh*: reviews/ratings, recommendations, and anything you can do to help me get in front of more readers! Additionally, if you're so inclined, you can also buy me a coffee!

I'm excited to bring you these new things. While this is my career and my dream, knowing I can share it with you gives it that extra bit of magic.

Don't forget *The Hidden*!

Finally, a quick reminder to click the image below to grab your **free** eBook copy of *The Hidden*, a short prequel novella focusing on the infamous Hidden Company led by Iknaïs, set eighteen years before the events of *Stone and Flesh*. And no, you don't need to have read *Stone and Flesh* to enjoy it!

Join Andras and Amathara as they sign up for what appears to be a routine mercenary job: find and rescue the kidnapped son of an ambassador. But of course, matters are never that simple if warlocks are involved.



That's all for now!

Household tasks call, sadly, and I need to steal figs from the tree before the birds get them. Thank you as always for reading, reviewing, clicking, and otherwise keeping me in your thoughts.

Uushbaht ru'onrel – be safe as you go. With love and gratitude,

Tamara S. Harker

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