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ROMANCE

2019

A year in review.
The good. The Bad.
And what still needs
adjusting.

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Editors Word

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As we close 2019, I want to reflect on my professional and some personal moments. I also want to share some recommendations and celebrate the end of another year.

I want to say a huge thank you to my family and friends for being my awesome support.

*To my Alpha readers Angil, Vera, and Crystal.
 To the Damned Mob of Scribbling Women —
 Audrey Coulombis, Cate Tayler, Laralyn
 Doran, and Shadow Leitner:*

*To my awesome VA, Kimberly who holds me
 down!*

*I hope you all enjoy this magazine. I also hope
 that it brings you a little levity, if not an escape.*

XOXO

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There are so many things I am grateful for this year. I reconnected with my writing and with my family on a deeper level. In a year that's been full of challenges (good and bad) that is an awesome thing to be able to say.

This is my third year published

Just last month during NaNoWriMo, I pushed myself so hard to write and I am so happy to say that I did it. I celebrated by decorating the house for the holidays which is a pleasure. What do you think?

I always decorate with a glass of wine and Elf playing on the background. I'm not a big Christmas movie but that one gets me every time.

Btw, you may have noticed the peonies on the cover and wonder why I have them there. Well, it seems like I spent most of the year waiting for peonies to bloom in my yard. I only got the ones that came with one of the potted plants I bought and ONE lonely bloom that I planted. I was not happy but super grateful for that one. I took so many photos of it. Just like my short-lived begonia. It's sad because I kept saying I have to bring it in and one day it got cold and when I went outside all my plants were dead! Next year, my garden is going to kick major ass!

I had hoped to publish *The Autumn You Became Mine* during this upcoming week but unfortunately, I won't be able to do so. I'm postponing the book because there are things I need to work through before I hand it over to all of you.

But let me tell you, that book has already made me cry, made me look in the mirror, and touched me in a way I wasn't expecting. I always knew *The Winter of My Love* would be emotional to write, this one hits different. I can't wait to share Chase and Lauren with you!

On another note, I did an interview with Zara West for her blog a couple of weeks ago. One of the questions was what characters I miss writing. Boy, did that open a can of "jonesing". There is this certain couple that won't stop talking to me because I owe them a book. Then another couple after that one...let's not talk about that.

Now we move on to 2020, in a quest to finish books and stop the voices in my head. LOL

I want to thank you for your support and to share my year in review. I am grateful for a wonderful family, great friends, and you. I am wishing you a beautiful holiday season and a new year full of love and romance!

Love,

JL





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2019 WAS A LITTLE BIT CRAZY

*I started the year fresh off the tropic after a wonderful Christmas in my native Dominican Republic. Our Christmas 2018 was loud, full of laughter, arguments, dancing, the beach, and family. In one sentence it was awesome. We came back to freezing temperatures. The vacation turned out to be just what I needed. I got right back into writing and rewriting. I was able to get *The Winter of my Love* ready by the end of January. The muse had sprinkled her blessings and I jumped right on it. I have to say when I typed the last line of the book, I bawled like a baby. My poor little heart.*

STARTED SUMMER ON A CRUISE

Spent eight glorious days on the sea, hoping from one gorgeous place to another. I can now say I've been to Grand Cayman, Mahogany Bay (Isla Roatan), Belize, and Cozumel. More later on.

BOSS EN ESPAÑOL

*I had my first release in Spanish in September, *Ella Es La Jefa*. It was a dream come true and now I can't wait for the rest of the Trinity to be out in Spanish.*

A SISTER'S HEA

In October, Sierra Torres finally got her story. I couldn't wait to share this one. She and Matt are so sexy and passionate and so much more! More on this later.



HANGING WITH KICKASS AUTHORS



A GIRL, AN AWESOME SQUAD, AND THE CARIBBEAN

MY MOM, MY BESTIES AND I DID IT BIG IN THE CARIBBEAN. IT WAS SUCH A WONDERFUL TRIP. I AM SO HAPPY AND BLESSED TO HAVE GOTTEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE BEAUTIFUL PLACES WITH BEAUTIFUL AMAZING PEOPLE.

The first part of 2019 was a little on the challenging side. A lot was going on, starting with doubling workloads on the 9-5 and my muse had been emotionally spent on *The Winter of My Love* that she refused to cooperate. She, like me, needed some time away. So I went on an eight-day wonderful Caribbean getaway.

The first stop was Grand Cayman, where I got to confront one of my phobias...lizards. Yes, I know what you're thinking. I was born in the Dominican Republic and lived there for a long time. How could I be afraid of lizards? It's very common actually. Quite a few people in my family are super afraid of them. Anyway, to start the trip on a high note, I spoke to it firmly (not yelling) and it went away. Gasp, yes! It was like it heard me.

Mahogany Bay was our second stop and I have not had that much fun at the beach since...well, six months before that in the Dominican Republic. I love the beach so much. It's one of my favorite places and I got to swim and hang out with my besties. The sun and water were exactly what I needed. I breathed it and got to enjoy it. It's so beautiful there.

Belize was a true surprise. We were able to watch iguanas (yes, those huge lizards), monkeys, manatees, crocs, and jumping dolphins! We had some of the best rum punch ever! It was a truly amazing place and the river tour worth every second.

Cozumel was my favorite place. As a good Latina, I grew up on Telenovelas from Mexico and being there, with the infectious smiles, and the amazing people, it was truly great. We did a tour of Kunche Park and I recommend it to everyone. It was the best experience and I'm still singing the songs, drinking the tequila, and making Jamaica water!



The golden Trio

When I started the year my critique partner, Cate Tayler, came by for a writing day. We talked about goals over ham soup and tea and came up with words to represent us in 2019. These three were mine. They represented what I wanted to do.

I wasn't feeling my prettiest. I felt my skin was undergoing an odd process where it looked dull and not pretty. I was also having a hard time connecting to my muse and letting her speak to me. I was not feeling like a writer.

So these were the three words that set out a new path for me. I needed to use them, beat them, and accomplish them to have a successful year. We came up with them together and I got them engraved in wooden letters. This trio accompanied me all year long.

Whenever I felt like things were not going the right way, I would go back to them. It wasn't that they made things easier. They reminded me of what my goals were.



WHAT WORD ARE WE CHOOSING IN 2020?

THE RULES ARE SIMPLE

**DETERMINE THE GOAL YOU WANT TO ACCOMPLISH.
WHAT WILL IT TAKE FOR YOU TO DO THAT? MAKE
YOUR WORD THE DRIVING FORCE.**

Don't break your head. That's not what the word is meant to do. It's simply a roadmap to make you reflect and visualize.

- 1-Make a list
- 2-Grab a dictionary
- 3-Play with meanings
- 4-Refine it until you got it
- 5-Stick to it

Reconnect

"From the very first chapter, you are going to be completely captivated."
AMY STEPHENS



Writing this book was deeply emotional. I think my muse recognized how important it was to me to tell this story in exactly the right way. To be authentic and true.

#SOAMAZING

"I'm highly addicted to her stories, but seriously, the level of amazing that *The Winter of My Love* was incredible."

It completely intimidated me.

The block, the fear, the daring, it was scary as hell. It brought out so many insecurities. It was well worth it in the end.

JL

Jennifer

The Power of Three Readers Blog



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 Bold, Sexy, and Sophisticated

"STRONG CHARACTERS THAT YOU WILL LOVE"

Ladies, you are going to fall in love, maybe a little lust too, for Spencer Grayson. No only is he a self-made billionaire, he's a good man. A man who follows through with promises. A man who is naturally dominant but also gentle and loving.

Rene' Seals

ROMANCE AND THE SINGLE MOM

Writing the sister story

Single moms have hard lives. Most times, they have to be their own heroes, picking themselves up and doing what's needed. They're strong and resilient because they have to be.

They're not perfect people—no one is—and they make mistakes like everyone else. They're also the hardest working and most loving women I know who never give up. Never give up fighting to give their children a better life.

Single moms deserve a love that lifts and uplifts them. Desire that burns in their hearts and in the sheets.

Sierra, my heroine in *Some Mornings*, is a single-mom-throwback to the girls I grew up and the women in my who raised me. In her sister's book, *Some Nights*, she gave us a few laughs, epic phrases, #BFF and #Squad goals. She was there for her sister, Saona, with love and advice but was ready to kick mayor ass for her family too.

Yet Sierra had to be more than a sidekick because the women who inspired her are so much more. They're fighters that unfortunately, sometimes don't find the love they deserve.

It was important that Sierra's story would be different. That she got a dreamy-sigh type of love story. One that's as real as she is.

She was going to get a hero worthy of her. She finds it in the boy she loved so long ago. That boy's now a man and a police officer. Who better to love a fierce lioness like Sierra than a man who has sworn to serve and protect? Matt's a man that's been scarred by his past and stuck in his reality.

When Matt and Sierra meet again, the air sizzles like a drum snare. They also take each other back to a love that was pure and unfulfilled. She's been hurt a lot and all she wants now is a good time. But hearts have a mind of their own. Find out if Sierra's heart got its way.

"ONE FABULOUS ADVENTURE!!!"

The characters chemistry sizzles from the pages and suck you in so deeply until you feel the heat and electricity thrumming through your veins. The characters personalities are authentic, genuine and realistic with depth and qualities that are well blended and balanced. With 100% on point realism along with amazing scenarios that are so colorfully described its like you're living it with them instead of on the sidelines."

Kaye

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MY FIRST BOOK EN ESPAÑOL
a dream come true

*E*stoy orgullosa de Ella Es “La Jefa” sea mi primera novela en español. Es el primer libro de mi serie “La Trinidad” con la que comencé como una autora publicada. Los próximos libros en la serie será publicados en un futuro muy cercano.

*I*am so proud that Boss is in Spanish. It’s the first novel in my Trinity series and it got me started as a published author. The next books in the series will be coming out in Spanish in the near future.

La dejaron sin opciones ...

Sin ningún otro recurso, Carissa Elliott hará lo que sea para escapar de la obsesión de un capo. Pero convertirse en jefa de un poderoso cartel para salvar su vida y la de sus seres queridos es más peligroso de lo que ella imaginaba.

Sin embargo, Carissa es “de guerra” y peleará con uñas y dientes para obtener lo que quiere. Aunque eso signifique enfrentarse al hombre más peligroso e irresistible que haya conocido. Alec McLean tiene una agenda matizada por el deseo de venganza personal. Y Carissa es su instrumento clave.

Ahora, esta chica de pueblo se verá forzada a demostrarle a todos, incluso a Alec, que es tan implacable como cualquier hombre. ¿Podrá realmente imponerse como la jefa?



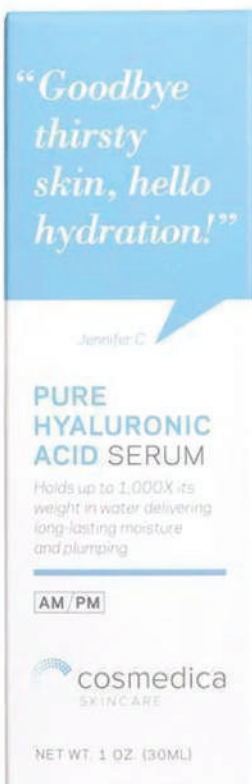
Beautify

Two years ago, my skin became dull and I had these dark spots around my chin. I never had that before. Until then, I had been a soap and water girl mostly. so I began a quest to reclaim the glow.

I tried all sorts of products, from very high end to mid-range ones. The solution was in the middle and natural.

SKIN CHANGER!

During a facial I was told my skin was dehydrated. They recommended products that didn't do very much for it. It still looked dull. And they were very expensive. Doing research on on Google, I came across this baby. All I can say is wow. The results were almost immediate. My skin is now softer, supple, and more hydrated. I've begun to gift HA to people. I highly recommend it. It's also great for when you have lot of sun exposure.



- Non-greasy
- Light and won't clog your pores
- Natural SPF 5
- Softens your skin
- Clears your complexion
- Makes your skin ultra glowy



Incredibly hydrating!



*Helps with radiance
Gives you a flawless finish*



*Don't forget your lips.
They need moisture too.
This one came as a gift.
I'm not letting it go!*

THESE ARE THE PRODUCTS THAT MADE ME STEP UP MY MOISTURIZING GAME AND REVOLUTIONIZED MY SKIN CARE.

I use Sweet Almond Oil as my daily moisturizer. At night, i use a few drops of the Korres oil in my forehead, cheeks, chin, and problem areas and follow it with CeraVe's Skin Renewal night cream. It's done wonders for me.

I do not own any of these images. Just letting you know I love these products.

LIFE WITH A SUPERSTAR

all about ~~Am~~ Trin

If you follow me on Social Media, you know all about my little boo aka my ride-or-die kitty aka my writing partner aka the Teeny Tiny Terror (T3). She sits by my side in my office as I sort out all the voices in my head and make it make sense.

She is a motivator and a great snack alert. She loves to hug the sheets and to be petted for long periods of time until she's had enough.

Trin (named Trinity after three badass women) is my adored rescue kitty. She came to me through the most wonderful people and has made my house and life her own.

She is a motivator and a great snack alert. She loves to hug the sheets and to be petted for long periods of time until she's had enough.

*Trin is also a book star on her own. She debuted on *The Winter of My Love* under her stage name Nin. When she jumped on to Winter's bed and stared at her until she woke that was a 100% true to character action. So was her demand for Grayson's petting.*

Her fetching skills are on-fleek and she loves to show them off. When Grayson balls up a paper and sends it flying, Nin doesn't hesitate but jumps to go get it. This is a skin Trin has been honing since her second week at home.



Shine

#amReading Romance

We live in a world where we're constantly bombarded with negativity and sadness. Reading is the most wonderful of escapes. For me, reading, especially romance, is going into a world where it will work out.

But there are also other wonderful benefits to reading. It stimulates your mind, reduces stress, expands your vocabulary. When I was learning English, romance novels helped me pick up the language faster. I was reading three novels a week. It helped with my mental agility and got me to where I no longer had to translate in my head before I responded to someone speaking to me.

Looking For a Great Read?

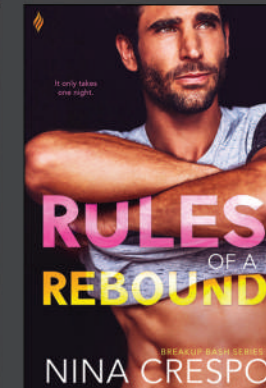
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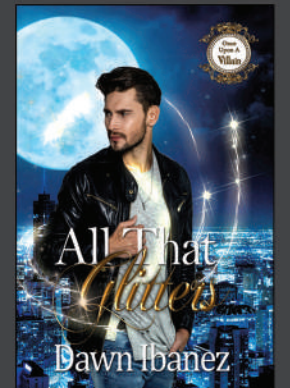
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