



# Ink Moments



## 2019 Writing Goals!

We are excited for 2019! With a new year brings a lot of new possibilities. So, what are the goals for us here at Flint Area Writers?

Chris— In 2019 I hope to further distance myself from adherence to workshop strictures and traditional forms in short fiction.

Gerald—I am hoping to finish my second novel and to write a few more short stories.

Holly— I'm planning on writing a YA royalty series in 2019. I'll also be writing an Aladdin retelling for multi-author box set.

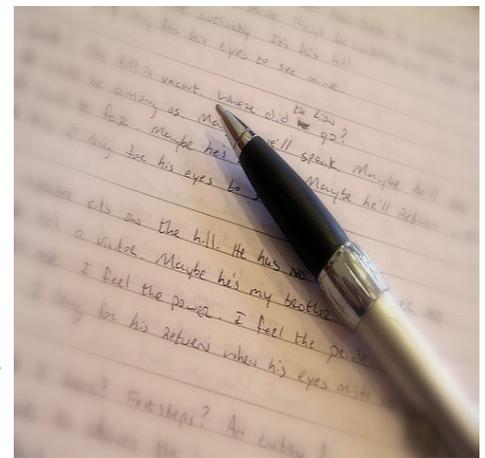
John—I want to finish the first draft of my manuscript and publish at least three short stories.

Kayla— I am currently working on several stories. *His Guarded Heart* is about the spoiled son of a tech tycoon, Shiloh, and the bodyguard hired to protect him from his

stalker... Unfortunately, the real danger to Shiloh lies much closer to home. Tentatively titled, *His Painted Heart*, tells the story of Riley, who was kicked out of his home as a young teenager for being gay, and Lennox, who hides his sexuality in fear of the same fate. *Copper and Blood* is an epic Dark Fantasy. How do you overthrow a king who can't die? And then there's *A Grim Start*... what do you do when Death dies? And of course, there's *Brink of War*, being published under the penname Kaylie Lanshaw, furthering the *Ruins of War* storyline.

Nancy— I am putting my novel on hold and just working on personal essays this year.

Tiffanie—For 2019 I aim to finish my novel *Mine* as well as finish the second book in my series *Bound in Blood and*



*Shadows*. This book is co-written with fellow author Kayla and will be two books: *Brink of War: Breaking Ice* and *Brink of War: Feed the Flame*. I am also working on a collection of short stories which will be in one volume titled, *Knowing*.

With so many goals, we here at Flint Area Writers will be working hard to reach them. Some may be accomplished while others might need to be given extra time. Check back in our October newsletter to see how our members are doing.

### Special points of interest:

- Flint Area Writers Meet Every Other Friday at 7pm check our website for dates.
- Check out our blog every other Wednesday at noon. Blogs post on the group week.
- Newsletters will be published the first Monday of January, April, July, and October

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## Book Spotlight—Double-Edged War



Double-Edged War is the first set of books co-written by authors Kayla Langmaid and Tiffanie Shaw, under the pen name Kaylie Lanshaw. It is a dystopian fantasy that takes place in a crumbling America.

The year is 2044 and the American States are struggling from a war years before. In an attempt to rebuild, America began to sell off States.

When the supernatural begin to buy their own land, hu-

mans begin to fear for their safety. With the dragons at war with the State of Utah, the vampires are trying to show that co-existing is possible.

Kaelin is a foster child, living in a house where he's unwanted. When given the chance to go to the all vampire school, he sees it as an escape, even if for short periods of time.

Endymion, the vampire prince, wants to escape. The life he thought he wanted, the Kingdom-State he thought would make everything better. Instead, he's asked to show the human around. Will this force him to stay? Or

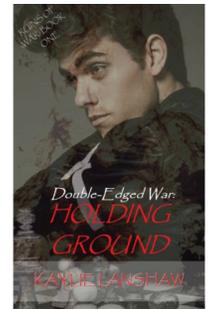
escape sooner than planned?

Find out in Double-Edged War. One Stories, Two Books. Because there's always two sides of a story.

Double-Edged War: Taking Flight

Double-Edged War: Holding Ground

On Sale  
Now!




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*"I bet I taste great. Like pie. Or a really juicy steak. Probably more like a steak. You know, being a carnivore and all."* -  
**Kaelin, Double-Edged War**

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## Past Reads

As writer's it is important to also read as well as working on your own stuff.

So what did the Flint Area Writers read in 2018?

Well, here are some of the novels we recommend:

Scythe—By Neal Shusterman  
(Arc of a Scythe Series)

Red Queen—By Victoria Aveyard  
(Red Queen Series)

The Selection—By Kiera Cass  
(The Selection Series)

Borrowing Blue—By Lucy Lennox  
(A Made Marian Series)

Absolution—By Sloane Kennedy  
(The Protectors Series)

The Cured City—By William Masa  
(The Shadow Detective)

Severance—By Ling Ma

My Year of Rest and Relaxation—  
By Otessa Moshfegh

True Grit—By Charles Portis

Saviors Champion—By Jenna Moreci

The Wind in is Heart—  
By Charles de Lint

The Woman in the Woods—  
By John Connolly



## 2018 Events

The Flint Area Writers were out and about in 2018. Visiting new places and meeting new people. Here is a recap of some of our events.

June 23—We have a table at the Flint Pride Festival. Members, Mart and Tiffanie were selling their books and advertising for club.

October 12—Several members were at The Lunch Studio for the Flint Art Walk. We gave out information about club, had books for sale, and read pieces of work

October 27—On this day the members were

super busy. We had a table at the Flint Fright Film Festival, selling books and speaking to people about club.

We were also at the Flint Literary Festival selling books. Members also had two panel discussions. “Finding Your Pack” creating and joining a critique group. And also a panel about taking your writing online.

We enjoyed meeting everyone and talking to them about writing, publishing, and putting new books into hands. We’re excited to see you all next year out and about!



## 2018 FAW Book Releases

Our writers were busy in 2018. Many words were written. Some were published and some are in editing stage, preparing them for 2019 release. In case you missed any, here is a list of books published in 2018.

Alpha Bound—By Holly Hook

Amy Schumer and Philosophy  
With a Section By: Gerald Browning

Awakening of Fire  
By Holly Hook

Chained by Blood  
By Holly Hook

Double-Edged War: Holding Ground  
By: Kaylie Lanshaw

Double-Edged War: Taking Flight  
By: Kaylie Lanshaw

Emergence of Fire  
By Holly Hook

Freed by Blood  
By Holly Black

Iron Man Vs. Captain America and Philosophy  
With a Section By: Gerald Browning

Knowing His Madness  
By: Valarie Savage Kinney

Lightning Crashes and Golden Ashes  
By Valarie Savage Kinney

Magic Bound  
By Holly Hook

Pack Bound  
By Holly Hook

The Knowing Child  
By Valarie Savage Kinney

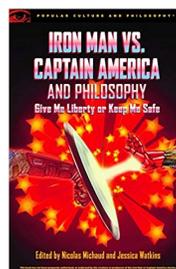
Turned by Blood  
By Holly Hook

Waring of Fire  
By: Holly Book



When Knowing Comes  
By: Valarie Savage Kinney

Wolf Bound  
By Holly Hook




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*“Pantextual:  
We Read All  
We Write All”*

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## Editorial Services

Are you a writer?  
Is your current project finished?  
Are you ready for edits?  
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Mrs. Karr offers honest, concise, and compassionate feedback. She is an author, a 2017 Pitch Wars mentee, 2018 #WriteMentor mentor, and a book coach and editor for Author Accelerator.

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