

CRAFTING TENSION-DRIVEN NARRATIVES

Rebekka Strauss Screenwriter • Story Developer

PORTFOLIO



Emotionally driven serialized storytelling

Romance • Character Drama • Worldbuilding

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CREATIVE PROFILE

Rebekka Strauss returned to storytelling after years in software development and IT consulting, rediscovering narrative creation through collaborative worldbuilding, tabletop roleplaying, and serialized fiction.

What began as a personal creative pursuit evolved into a growing focus on professional screenwriting and story development for visual media.

STORYTELLING APPROACH

I'm particularly interested in stories driven by emotional tension, layered relationships, and psychologically grounded character dynamics.

My work combines immersive worldbuilding with emotionally charged storytelling, often exploring vulnerability, unconventional perspectives, and human connection within serialized narratives.

Writer Profile

Rebekka Strauss is a writer focused on emotionally driven, character-centered stories across serialized drama, romance, and speculative fiction.

Her work explores unconventional relationships, queer narratives, and emotionally complex characters.

With a background in software development and IT consulting within the medical and pharmaceutical technology sector, she brings analytical depth and interdisciplinary curiosity into her creative work.

Influenced by tabletop roleplaying and gaming, she is particularly drawn to immersive worldbuilding, long-form character arcs, and serialized storytelling for visual media.

Education & Development

Screenwriting Studies (Distance Learning Program)

SGD - Studiengemeinschaft Darmstadt, Darmstadt
Professional training in screenplay development, dramatic structure, storytelling techniques, and industry-focused script development.

Vertical Script Academy


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Vertical Drama Writing Academy
Training in mobile-first serialized storytelling, episodic pacing, cliffhanger construction, escalation, and engagement-driven narrative structure.

Psychology 101 for Writers (Online Class)

Roadmap Writers, Los Angeles
Training in psychology-based approaches to character creation, emotional conflict, motivation, and narrative depth using principles from psychology and neuroscience.

Original Projects / Concepts

A collaborative serialized fiction project developed alongside a vertical drama actor and writer, exploring emotional tension, psychologically grounded character dynamics, and long-form serialized storytelling for visual media.



SERIALIZED VERTICAL DRAMA IP

(IN DEVELOPMENT)

A CONNECTED UNIVERSE. MULTIPLE STORIES. ENDLESS POTENTIAL.

CORE CONCEPT

An interconnected supernatural drama universe where hidden power systems, forbidden relationships, and dangerous emotional alliances shape the lives of characters navigating control, desire, ambition, and transformation.

Blending psychological suspense with emotionally driven storytelling, each series explores a different corner of the same expanding mythology while remaining accessible as a standalone vertical drama.

CENTRAL STORY PREMISE

Across multiple serialized narratives, ordinary individuals become entangled with secret organizations, supernatural forces, and morally ambiguous systems that challenge identity, loyalty, and power.

As personal relationships intensify, emotional vulnerability becomes just as dangerous as supernatural ability.

GENRE POSITIONING

- Supernatural Drama
- Psychological Suspense
- Dark Romance
- Mystery / Thriller
- Serialized Vertical Fiction

TARGET DEMOGRAPHIC ALIGNMENT

Designed for audiences drawn to:

- emotionally intense relationship dynamics
- high-stakes serialized storytelling
- morally complex characters
- supernatural mythology with grounded emotional hooks
- binge-driven vertical drama formats

PRIMARY DEMOGRAPHIC:

18-34
global streaming audiences

CORE THEMES

- Power & Control
- Desire vs Loyalty
- Identity & Transformation
- Emotional Manipulation
- Survival within Closed Systems

TROPES & STORY DNA

- Forbidden Attraction
- Hidden Power Awakening
- Secret Societies
- Rivals / Alliances
- Slow Burn Tension
- Psychological Power Games
- Morally Grey Characters
- Chosen One Dynamics

TAGS

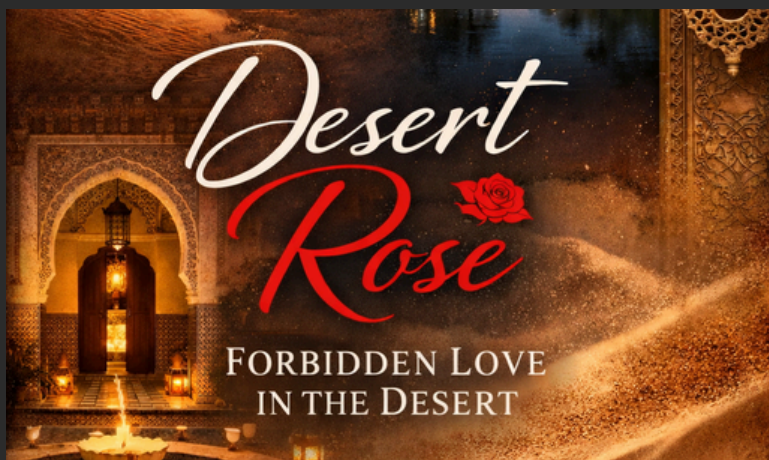
- #VerticalDrama
- #DarkRomance
- #SupernaturalSuspense
- #SerializedFiction
- #PsychologicalDrama
- #FantasyThriller
- #BingeDrivenStorytelling

DEVELOPED FOR SCALABLE MULTI-SERIES EXPANSION

Available Writing Samples

Desert Rose

Romantic Drama • Complete story outline available



In a remote desert kingdom, a foreign restoration expert falls for the guarded local man assigned to oversee her work - unaware that the project bringing them together may destroy everything he is trying to protect.

No One's Djinn

Fantasy Romantic Comedy • Concept Available



When an emotionally guarded New Yorker accidentally binds herself to a chaotic ancient djinn who takes every wish literally, her carefully controlled life turns upside down as magic, unwanted cohabitation, and undeniable attraction collide.

A Love To Die For

Psychological Romance Thriller • Concept & Excerpt Available



After faking her own death to escape a dangerous past, a guarded woman's carefully constructed new life begins to unravel when a much younger man becomes obsessed with uncovering her secrets - and unexpectedly becomes the one risk she can't outrun.

Gunsmoke & Gears

Steampunk Western Romance • Concept Available



In a steam-powered frontier ruled by ruthless railroad tycoons, a hardened bounty hunter with a mechanical arm is sent to eliminate a rebellious saloon mechanic. But when their town becomes the target of a brutal industrial takeover, the two outlaws are forced into an uneasy alliance that sparks rebellion, revenge, and an unexpected romance.

Blaze Of Secrets

Neo-Noir Mystery Drama • Concept Available • Additional installments in development



In the shadowy underworld of the 1930s, a disgraced female private investigator uncovers a deadly conspiracy linking a missing jazz singer, corrupt officials, and her own family - forcing her to choose between loyalty and the truth.

All Inclusive Love

Romantic Comedy Drama • Complete story outline available



After a painful break-up, a woman checks into a luxury resort seeking peace and anonymity. But a case of mistaken identity pulls her into a glamorous world of privilege, secrets, and chaos. Caught between lavish expectations and her growing attraction to the resort's dangerously charming manager, she soon discovers that neither of them was supposed to fall in love.



Let's connect

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collaborations