Yuletide DYA letter 2023

Dear Yuletide Author

Hi! If you're reading then this then welcome because hopefully we share one of the fandoms I'm requesting! This first part of the letter is mostly the same year to year, then I'll get into the individual fandoms.

My big fear for an assignment is "character A in Fandom B, no other details given, no fic bookmarks" because I need some ideas about what the requester likes! That might be why I tend to make these DYA letters a bit long so please take what you want if you need inspiration and ignore the rest. I'll talk about DNW, likes, give some details and then focus on each fandom and give some possible ideas for inspiration.

DNW: animal abuse/animal death, pregnancy & kid!fic, anything relating to quarantine/virus/face-coverings, explicit sex

Likes (optional): Team as family, loyalty, nonsexual intimacy, bed sharing, humour, whump (see more details), happy endings, canon AUs, character studies, in vino veritas (drunken epiphanies/confessions) and fairy tale tropes/AUsMy AO3 fic and bookmarks probably give a good overview of what I'm drawn to and an indication of some of the fandoms I'm familiar with in case you're interested in crossovers.

More optional details:

- 1) The no kid!fic rule doesn't apply to younger versions of the characters requested
- 2) Hurt/comfort (h/c) has always been a thing for me, it's now more often referred to as whump. However within that I have a lot of preferences. If whump is your thing too and something you want to include then I am All About emotional whump/angst, and things I enjoy include poisons (with suitably effective antidotes) and/or mistaken diagnosis (both Last Day to Live tropes), comas/bedside vigils, temporary amnesia. A-Okay for things like minor injuries including burns, cuts, bruises, temporary blindness, cuddling for warmth. Prefer male whumpees Whereas No Thankyou brain damage/surgery, broken bones (ribs are ok though), serious burns, eye damage, animal abuse/injury.

Did I say thank you for being here? Because after all that I'll say it again, thank you .



Bookmarks: Mythica / Dwight in Shining Armor / Jack Ryan (TV)

Request one: Mythica (movies)

Characters: Marek (Mythica movies), Dagen (Mythica movies)



Where to find it: I watched it on FreeVee via Prime in the UK. The films were crowd funded and have their own <u>website</u>. There's some detail on the movies <u>here</u>.

Canon: I've seen all the current five movies.

I was drawn to the series of movies because it stars some of the actors from "The Outpost" TV show and it was fantasy. I expected low quality but was surprised by the production values and fell in love with how "Dungeons and Dragons" in style it was with wizard, thief, rogue, cleric archetypes.

I'm especially keen on reading more about Marek and/or Dagen but I loved Teela and Thane too so feel free to include them as much as you want to.

Crack and humor are welcome, some levity to offset the saving the world weight they carry.

Ideas: The ending did not please me. I gather there is another one in the making but if you're inclined to write fix-it, everybody lives, happy ending then yes please!

Just more of their adventures, perhaps between the movies, a more day in the life of a band of adventurers in a fantasy world. There's so much scope to explore the settings, the characters, and their relationships.

Modern AU: I rather like the idea of some sort of mundane modern au for reasons I can't be sure of. Wannabe bad boy Dagen actually a sweetheart hitting on fellow student/co-worker Marek, for example.

AU in which Marek is raised by Gojun Pye because he came back in time to take her to safety. What does her life and training look like? She'd meet Dagen under different circumstances and we could see how that would change things for him too.

Random crossovers/fusions: My love of fairy tale elements could come into play here, or other fantasy settings that I'm familiar with.

Request two: Dwight in Shining Armor

Characters: Chlodwig (Dwight in Shining Armor), Dwight (Dwight in Shining Armor)



Where to find it: I've been watching it with my nephew on CBBC (Children's BBC, via iPlayer). It apparently aired in USA on BYUtv but doesn't currently seem to be on their website.

Canon: I've only seen the first 3 seasons so far, so if you could avoid major spoilers for the later 2, I would appreciate it.

I'm very much here for Dwight & Chlodwig as friends. In season 3 episode 9 he seems to be trying to fill a need for male friendship/companionship with his Guy Club while Dwight without hesitation chooses to have Chlodwig over any legendary hero offered to them. (And what did Chlodwig see in his journey through the cosmos?)

I'm also fine with Dwight/Chlodwig in a PG-13 romantic sense if you wanted to go that route. I'm happy for you to include Gretta, Baldric, Hexala, Nana as you wish, and background Dwight/Gretta is fine.

Ideas: Chlodwig telling tales of his exploits pre the Championship spell to Dwight? What things does he most miss from the old days and what does Dwight introduce him to that he loves about the modern era? What aspects of the past can Dwight learn from?

Maybe Dwight needs to play hero to help Chlodwig. Maybe Chlodwig finds an unconventional way to help Dwight out of a sticky situation.

Chlodwig is often the comic relief so go for something crack/humorous as he tries to navigate modern life to Dwight's amusement/concern.

Alternatively turn that around and take a more serious look at their lives, fears, and the things that are important to them.

Random crossovers/fusions: Fairy tale elements would work well here. Any fandom I've written in that has magic portals or interdimensional travel would be fair game here.

Crack Zoolander style AU because Chlodwig as a male model is just too funny a thought,, he and Dwight taking on the world of fashion!

Request three: Jack Ryan (TV)

Characters: Domingo Chavez



Where to find it: All four seasons are currently available on Amazon Prime in the UK and USA (this is an Amazon original show, but there might be other streaming options I'm unaware of.)

Canon: I've seen all four seasons but I have not read any of the Jack Ryan books.

I enjoyed all the Jack Ryan seasons but season four introduced Chavez and that tipped me into the fandom side of things. He's an interesting character, a complete badass with incredible skills, a man of faith, a loving nephew. Loyal to those who deserve it but equally coldblooded to those who don't deserve his mercy.

Ideas: I'd like Chavez to be the focus of the fic, but I'm 100% behind him and Mike November pairing up for more exploits or just going on a 'boy's night out' for fun or serious discussions. Same with Jack Ryan, both Chavez and November have a strong bond with Ryan that could yield some interesting fic.

Peña' played a priest in "The Vatican Tapes" and while that was definitely not my favourite exorcism movie, it makes me wonder if Chavez might go undercover as a priest, or has ever considered taking holy orders.

What kind of things does a <u>Rambo</u>/ <u>Desperado</u> archetype do? Rescue victims of kidnapping? Evacuate orphanages in war zones? Interrogate suspects to prevent bombings? Get interrogated/tortured? Practice field medicine?

I don't have a lot of specific ideas here, sorry. Just more Chavez!

Random crossovers/fusions: Maybe from a crack fic involving Michael Peña's character of Luis (Ant-man movies)?

If you're familiar with <u>Leverage</u>, there are some similarities with their "hitter", Eliot. Did Chavez and Eliot work together? Or perhaps there's a Leverage storyline that could work for Chavez and his team. Maybe Chavez left the military and finds himself righting wrongs the way the Leverage team do.