# **Author Interview with Nivia Borell**

## How Did You Get Into Writing?

Since I can remember, I had either a pen in my hand or a book to read. I believe my passion for reading led me to write. And once I started scribbling my thoughts down, the need and desire to continue to explore and dig more into my mind never vanished.

#### What's Your Favorite Genre to Write?

· Contemporary Romance

Is there a genre you've always wanted to write in that you haven't yet?

· Dystopian fiction.

## Who are some of your inspirations?

· Maya Angelou, Amelia Earhart, Simone de Beauvoir

Do any of your stories have personal experiences in them?

· Not really.

## Who are some of your favorite authors to read?

· Jane Austen, Mia Sheridan, Susan Elizabeth Philips, Kristen Ashley, Penelope Douglas, Jamie McGuire, Katy Evans, Tillie Cole.

#### What's your writing process look like? (Outline or go with the flow of your character)

• I am a plantser, kind of a combination between a plotter and a pantser. I start by delving and capturing the story's elements in my mind and then taking notes. And when I start writing, the story just flows.

# What are some of your hobbies?

Besides reading, gliding, astronomy, traveling.

Have you attended any signings? If so, what was your favorite thing about it?

· Not yet, but I hope I will.

#### When reading reviews, what is something you love to see written?

· How my writing and story awakes emotions in my readers. And definitely, "I loved the story so much I can't wait to read what comes next."

If you could spend the day with one of your characters, who would it be and what would you do?

· With Alexander Hope. I still can't get inside his head, and it's maddening. I would lock us in a room, and ask him a hundred questions.

## What are you currently working on?

· I work on two projects right now, editing the sequel to Shattered love, Healing love, and revising the third and final book in Bria and Damien's story, Endless love.

## What's your writing routine?

Cup of coffee, typing, typing, and then wondering when did the day turn into night.

## Do you have any superstitions when it comes to writing? If so, what?

· When a compelling story idea finds its way inside my head, I dive right into it. I am afraid if I won't, it will disappear.

## What is the best writing advice you've ever received?

· If there is a story brewing inside your mind, then write it down. No one else can write it as you would.

## Where do you find the names for your characters?

· My characters choose their name, after countless suggestions from my part. They know what they want. I am a mere instrument they pick to write their stories. LOL

#### What is your favorite book made into a movie/tv show?

· Pride and prejudice.

#### Anything else you want your readers to know about you?

· I am a Marvel and DC fan(Batman, Scarlet Witch, and Black Widow are my favourite superheroes). I have an unapologetic sweet tooth, especially when it comes to macarons(does anything tastes better? Not for me.) I love to be in nature. I could spend hours gazing at the night sky. By now, I believe my TBR list will outlive me.

#### If you won the lottery what would you do with the money?

· Donate and build my own version of Belle's Library in Beauty and the Beast.

#### In your everyday life how do you give back to the world?

· To my shame, nothing worth mentioning.

#### If you could give your younger self one piece of writing advice, what would it be?

• Be patient and when you feel overwhelmed, remember Ernest Hemingway's quote on writing, "We are all apprentices in a craft where no one ever becomes a master."