

I'm Not That Kind of Talent

Secret Santa Info

What is this event about?

Secret Santa is a gift exchange where you can give someone a fanfic/fanart and get a gift in return! You'll be able to request what you want to see and absolutely not want to see for your gift in the application form, and the gifter will get to choose what to make from what you want. Same vice versa, you will create something for your giftee based on the list of preferences they provide.

Being someone's secret santa is a secret, so please don't share who you are a secret santa for until the final submission! Also, please do not publicly share any WIP (work in progress) of your submission until the deadline.

Schedule

- Interest Check: *September 24-29*
- Application Form: *September 29-October 13*
- Secret Santa Info DMs sent: *October 17*
- Check-ins: *November 7 and November 14 (replaced w/ pinch hitter if no response after the second check-in)*
- Final Check-in: *December 17*
- Deadline to Submit Gifts: *December 22-25 (latest timezone)* [ao3 collection no longer unrevealed]

Requirements for Artists:

- Minimum of flat color with at least a bust-up view
- Art with only lineart or sketches will not be accepted.
- Digital art preferred but traditional art is okay if you can provide a clean scan of the artwork

Requirements for Writers:

- Minimum of 1k words and completed story, no uncompleted multi-chapters allowed
- Can have multiple chapters as long as it's completed

What kind of content is allowed?

Ship and non-ship content are allowed. We will not be accepting dead dove or nsfw content for this event.

When will we find out what to create?

You will be contacted through discord dms by one of the INTKOT mods with the giftee's list of preferences by October 17.

Can we participate as both an artist and writer?

Yes, you can, but you will have to do double the work. If you choose to be an artist and writer, you will be assigned two different giftees, but you will still only receive one gift in return.

Do we have to make a gift with all of the preferences listed by the giftee?

No, you do not have to include everything on their list of preferences, but do make sure you do not include anything they do not want to see.

How will the gifts be posted?

- Fanfics will be posted on ao3 through an unrevealed collection that later becomes revealed on the deadline: <https://archiveofourown.org/collections/INTKOTsanta>
- Fanart will be posted on X and/or Bluesky anytime during the deadline.

What happens during check-ins?

We will ask how much progress you've made and whether you think you can finish on time. If you think you can't finish on time or if you do not respond by the second check-in, we will replace you with a pinch hitter. Please communicate with us if you think you need help or don't think you can finish!

Your work must be mostly completed by the Final Check-in.

What is a pinch hitter?

Someone who will replace the gifter or become the backup for their spot.

Guidelines:

- Can post gift anytime between December 22 and December 25
- Art and fics are both accepted.
- Ships are allowed.
- NSFW and dead dove will not be allowed.
- Please tag all entries as #intkotsanta (You can also @ us at @intkotevents for us to RT your entry on X and/or Bluesky).
- You can add fics created for this event to this collection: <https://archiveofourown.org/collections/INTKOTsanta>

Rules

- Only new works created for the event are accepted.
- No plagiarism.
- A.I art or fics are NOT allowed.

If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to us via X or discord! Our discord server link: discord.gg/6V4TkxjVY5