# Author Interview With Pamela Q. Fernandes by Itsy Bitsy Book Bits

## How Did You Get Into Writing?

Won a contest and never looked back!

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

- Women's Fiction, romance

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

- No

Who are some of your inspirations?

- George Elliot, Arundhati Roy

Do any of your stories have personal experiences in them?

- Oh yes!

Who are some of your favorite authors to read?

- George Eliot, Lisa Kleypas

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

- Both

What are some of your hobbies?

- Reading, learning the piano, long walks

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

The reading

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

- I love to see how a book has taken someone to a new place on a journey.

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

- I'd spend it with one of my characters in Starting Over, Cara's daughter Brooke and I'd ask her to teach me to swim

# What are you currently working on?

A gritty women's fiction set in Bombay.

# What's your writing routine?

- Write till I meet the deadline.

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

- No.

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

Edit by reading aloud.

Where do you find the names for your characters?

- I think alot about the themes and then find the names.

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

Atonement

Anything else you want your readers to know about you?

- I love French fries.

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

- I'd build a hospice.

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

- Small acts of kindness, smile, pick up the trash, do what no one else will do..

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

- Keep going! Some day you will make it...