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“...sharply etched characters, a chilling portrayal of social prejudice, and powerful, emotionally fraught prose.”

—*Kirkus Reviews*



About the Author

Katie Keridan, Psy.D., MPH, is a Johns Hopkins-trained pediatric neuropsychologist with a strong background in scientific cancer research, grants, and student teaching who eventually applied her knowledge of brains and behavior to creating realistic fictional characters. She is the award-winning author of two YA fantasy novels, *Reign Returned* and *Blood Divided*, and her work has been featured in *Highlights Hello Magazine*, *The Blue Nib*, *Youth Imagination Magazine*, *Red Fez*, *The Red Penguin Review*, *Sand Canyon Review*, and *Every Day Fiction*. She is a faculty member at the Highlights Foundation and has been an invited presenter at NY Comic Con, Tucson Festival of Books, San Diego Writers Festival, the Georgia Conference on Children's Literature, and elsewhere. Katie loves speaking about mental health representation in literature, especially to neurodiverse readers and writers who feel alone or misunderstood. She lives in Northern California with her husband and two very demanding cats.

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Reign Returned

Kyra Valorian is the most gifted Astral healer the golden-blooded realm of Aeles has seen in ages. When tragedy strikes, Kyra discovers she possesses a life-changing gift: she's a Recovrancer, able to enter the realm of the dead and recover those who've died before their time. Unfortunately, recovrancy is outlawed in her realm. Desperate for answers, Kyra will do anything to get them . . . even partner with a dangerous enemy.

Sebastian Sayre is the most sought-after Daeval assassin in all of Nocens. A silver-blooded Pyromancer, he wields fire and dreams of finding Rhannu, a legendary sword that makes its holder invincible. Since the sword was long ago stolen from Nocens and hidden where no Daeval can retrieve it, however, such a dream seems impossible . . . until he encounters the one Astral who might be both able and willing to help him.

As Kyra and Sebastian work together to uncover the secrets of their realms, they also uncover secrets within their own pasts—pasts that are far more intertwined than they ever imagined. Ultimately, in this tale of discovery, destiny, and a love strong enough to outlast time, remembering the past just may prove to be the only way to change the future.



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“Keridan’s worldbuilding is excellently crafted and seamlessly integrated into the story, enhancing the exposition. . . . A fine questing adventure and a promising start to a series.”

–Kirkus Reviews

“This YA book has it all—action, adventure, fantasy, magic, and young love!”

–BlazerTales

*“A romantic phantasm of swords and sorcery fueled by excellent world-building, *Reign Returned* is a perfect read for fans of Robin McKinley and Adrienne Young.”*

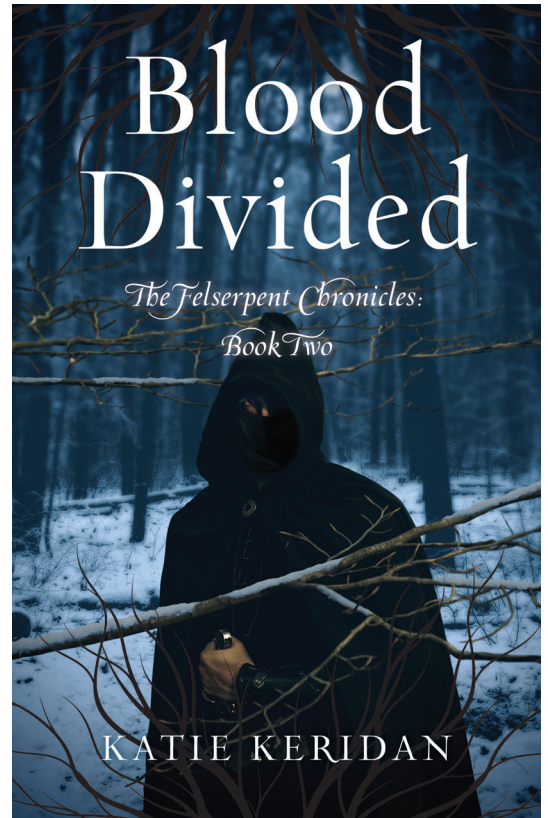
–Colleen Oakes, best-selling author of the Queen of Hearts Series, The Black Coats, the Wendy Darling Saga and Sister of the Chosen One

Blood Divided

Kyra Valorian and Sebastian Sayre have finally remembered their pasts as the former Felserpent Queen and King, and now it's time for them to change the future—by reuniting the realms and bringing peace to Astrals and Daevals. But tensions between Aeles and Nocens have never been higher, and those of silver and gold blood are more divided than ever.

In addition to improving her recovrancy abilities and completing internship, Kyra is determined to uncover her father's role in the evil Astral experimentation program, no matter the danger. As Sebastian learns to be in a relationship, he finds himself facing the traumas of two very different pasts, forcing him to make tough decisions about his chosen profession and who he wants to be. Meanwhile, Tallus, arch-enemy to the Felserpent monarchy, has also returned—and it will take help from Cyphers, as well as friends both old and new, to find and stop him.

As Kyra and Sebastian struggle to navigate the differences between their past and current relationship, one thing's clear: part of fulfilling their destiny means accepting their fate. The choices they make will reach all the way into Death in this thrilling found family sequel to *Reign Returned*.



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"An imaginative sword-and-sorcery tale with a winsome love story at its heart."

—Kirkus Reviews

"This story of love, sacrifice, and truth makes for a truly transportive read that pulls at heartstrings and sets the imagination ablaze."

*—Sathya Achia, author of *In My Hands**

"A fast-paced epic fantasy adventure with plenty of thrills and charm. Keridan's writing sparkles and provides the perfect blend of suspense, adventure, and romance that will keep you turning pages long into the night."

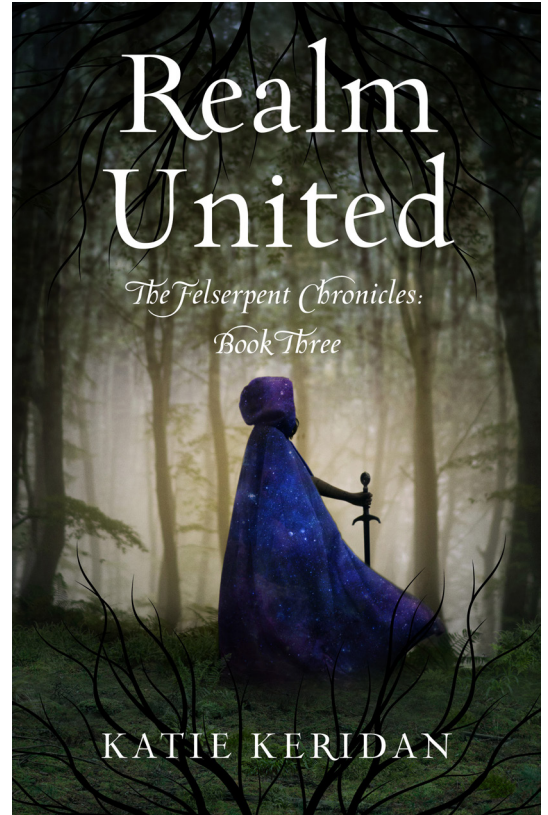
*—Lenore Borja, author of *The Last Huntress**

Realm United

Sebastian Sayre and Kyra Valorian, the former Felserpent King and Queen, thought they knew what reuniting the divided realms of Aeles and Nocens would require of them. But fulfilling their promises to stop Tallus and bring peace between those with silver and gold blood will require sacrifices they didn't expect to make.

Furious over Kyra's refusal to help him turn Daevals into Astrals, Tallus assumes control of Aeles and announces he's developed a weapon capable of killing everyone with silver blood. Kyra discovers a way to defeat him, but it will require her to perform a terrible act she isn't sure she can live with. Sebastian loathes becoming a recognized public figure, and given his dark past, there are those who don't trust him to hold a position of power, even as he and Kyra race to reunite the realms.

Filled with old friends and new allies, devastating betrayals and surprising revelations, this heart-pounding conclusion to the Felserpent Chronicles ends where it began: in the grey waters of Death. Controlling the past might change the future, but will saving their world cost Sebastian and Kyra the very bond that binds them across time?



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"Katie's compelling conclusion to the Felserpent Chronicles offers us a fast-paced epic story of risk, redemption and reward about what matters most: family, love and the power of peace."

—Jen Braaksma, author of [Amaranth](#)

"[Realm United](#) has it all: a lusciously layered system of magic, plot twists, edge-of-your-seat suspense, and the unbreakable belief in soul-united love and eternal hope."

—C.K. Donnelly, author of the [The Kinderra Saga](#)

"A fantasy novel full of romance, politics, and the quest for identity sure to appeal to young adults."

—Kirkus Reviews

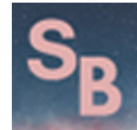
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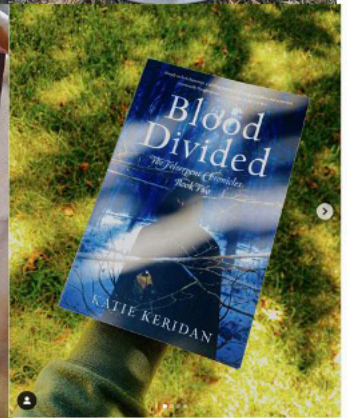
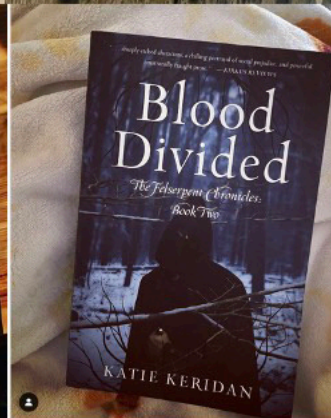
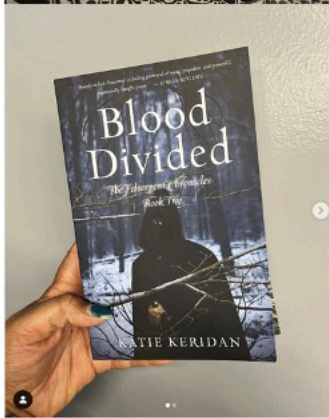
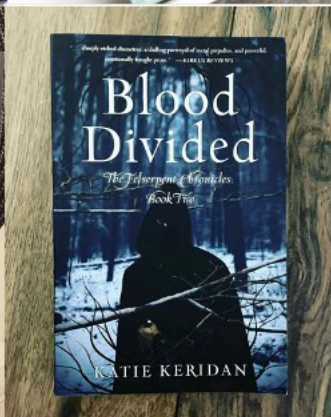
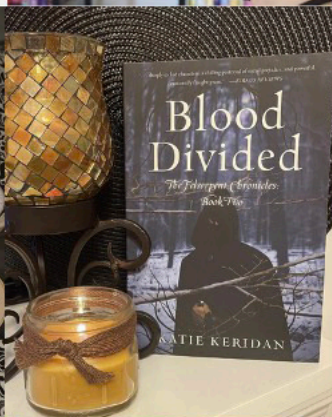
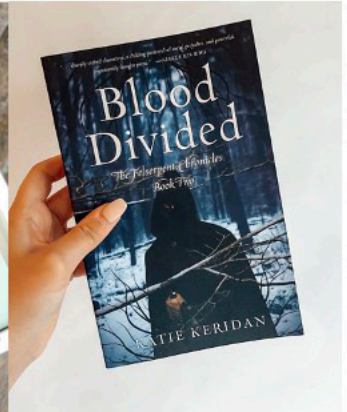
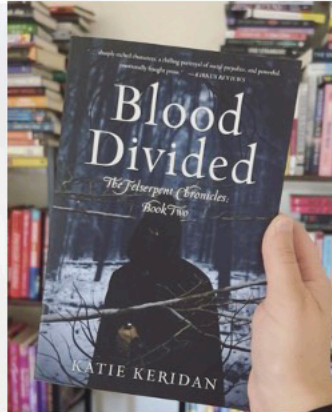
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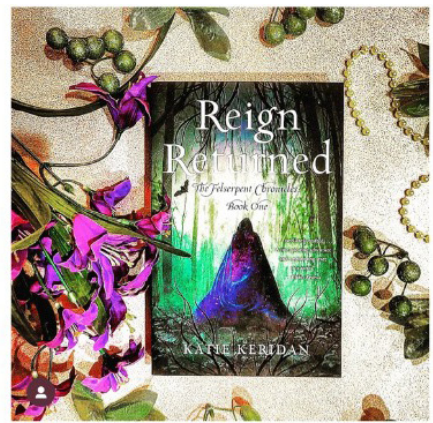
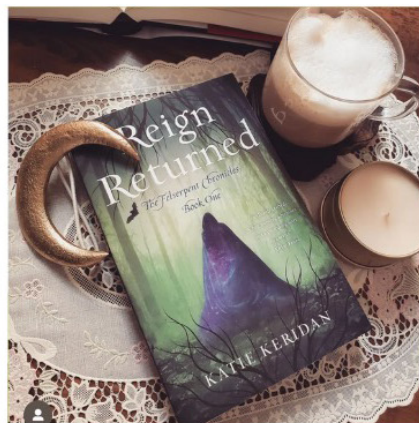
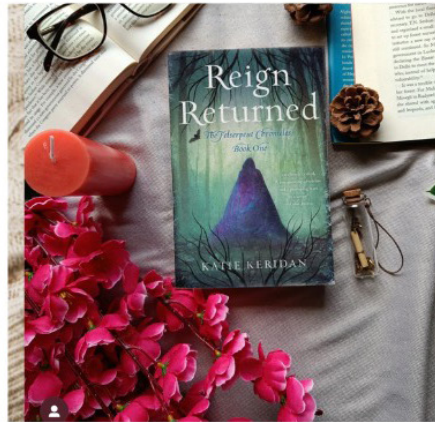
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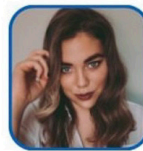


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