

Happy Valentine's Day! I wish I had a new book ready to send to you today, but you'll have to wait until May.

In the meantime, to celebrate the month of **LOVE**, I give you two ways to discover new-to-you authors. **First**, enjoy 30+ <u>free ebook samples</u> from romance writers, available through midnight Friday, February 12th. **Second**, restock your e-reader with 40 <u>romance novels on sale</u>. As part of the celebration of love, <u>Love Song (Instrumental)</u> (Book One in the Hidden Springs series) is \$0.99 on all platforms right now, so this is a great time to recommend it to your romance-loving friends.

What I'm working on...

Edits are underway on Hidden Springs Book Four. (I'm still brainstorming title ideas — suggestions welcome!) We're looking at a May 2021 release, so this is the last call for anyone who would like to be on the ARC (Advance Reader Copy) team. You'll be among the first to see it, and you can help to spread the word about the new release. Reply to this email if you're interested and I'll send you the details.

Sneak peek <u>here</u> on Book + Main.

What I'm thinking about...

The polar vortex has settled in for a lengthy visit, making it painful to spend time outside. Despite the cabin fever, there's nothing quite like winter sunshine to perk up your mood. * * The only thing better will be icicles melting and daffodils pushing up through the snow.

Instead of New Year's resolutions, this year I've chosen a few habits to strengthen (daily exercise, lots of sleep), one to start (plant-forward diet), and some to drop (endless snacking). We'll call these a work in progress. Here's hoping that small changes can make a big difference.

What I'm reading...

In December, I re-read the Bridgerton series in preparation for the tv series on Netflix. I can highly recommend both. The <u>tv series</u> stayed faithful in spirit to the <u>books</u>, and I have high hopes for Season 2. We could debate whether or not they spent enough time on Daphne's intro to the joy of sex, but no spoilers!

Bridgerton put me in the mood for more historical romance, so I've been working my way through Eloisa James' Desperate Duchesses <u>series</u>, also highly recommended.

What I'm watching...

One can only watch Bridgerton so many times. Luckily, I stumbled across a Disney / Bollywood rom-com called *Khoobsurat* on Netflix that was amazing. Very light, fun, heartwarming — all the adjectives that you would want to describe a rom-com. It's not quite as goofy as it looks in the <u>trailer</u> on IMDB, but it definitely qualifies as offbeat. Loved it!

What I'm drinking...

Morning wake-up: English Breakfast Tea

I miss coffee. I miss being caffeinated. Sadly, caffeine is no longer my friend. I've been on a quest to find an alternative that doesn't suck. Maybe one day there will be truly <u>caffeine-free coffee</u>. Until then, I've found that one cup of English Breakfast Tea, has just the right amount of caffeine to wake me up without sending me over the edge.

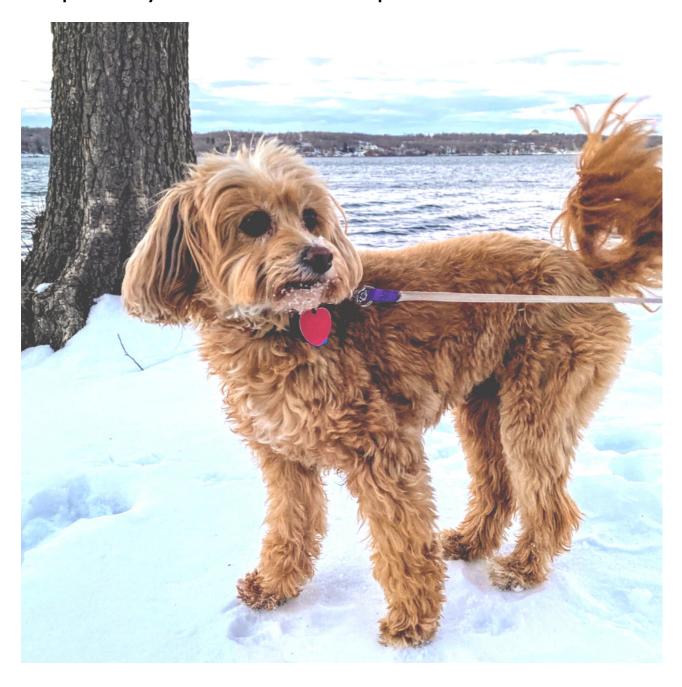
What I'm listening to...

Lately, I find I'm in the mood for songs about sunshine and blue skies. It's time for the <u>Winter Playlist!</u> The teenagers in the house are also obsessed with sea shanties (yes, it's <u>a thing</u> now), so I've added my favorites at the end of the playlist.

May the sun shine warm upon your face (and also melt any icicles off your house).

~ Lisa

P.S. A photo of my assistant from *before* the polar vortex.



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