

Author Biographies



Lidia Elsdon is completing her MLIS degree at Dalhousie University. Originally from Ontario, she has a BAH in Classics and Mathematics from Queen's University (yes, she is aware it is an interesting combination). Lidia is an avid reader of YA fantasy and loves diving into the worlds of strong female characters. Her favourite kick-butt female characters include Aelin (Throne of Glass by Sarah J. Maas), Amani (Rebel of the Sands by Alwyn Hamilton), and Kady (Illuminae by Amie Kaufman and Jay Kristoff). Her claim to fame is an Instagram based book blog with nearly 4000 followers where she once received a DM from Amie Kaufman herself.



Elphege Bernard-Wesson originally from Dartmouth, Nova Scotia. Elphege is a current MLIS student at Dalhousie expected to graduate in 2019. Elphege specializes in collection development, information literacy, and management strategies. Elphege's favourite book series is the Harry Potter series and her favourite character in the HP series is Hermione Granger.



Julie Timm Born and raised in the vast prairies of Saskatchewan with nothing but open fields and imagination, a great love of reading was born. This love for books drove Julie to get an English degree at the University of Saskatchewan before travelling across Canada to Halifax to complete her MLIS degree at Dalhousie University. Her favourite strong female character is Aly (Trickster's Choice by Tamora Pierce).



Courtney Vienneau Originally from Cape Breton, NS, Courtney grew up surrounded by books and nature. A love for reading and helping others led her to start Dalhousie's Master of Library and Information Studies program in the fall of 2017. Courtney hopes to work at an academic library helping students find information or work with youth at a public library. When not reading books, Courtney spends time with her two cats - Frankie and Charlie. She couldn't pick just one book or favourite female character, she has too many!



Katie Blythe Originally from southern Ontario, Katie did her undergraduate degree at Cape Breton University with a major in Ethnomusicology and a minor in English. She is currently in her second year of the MLIS program at Dalhousie University and plans on staying in Halifax after graduating from her Master's.



Marlee Silliker was born in China, then adopted and brought to Dartmouth, Nova Scotia. Marlee completed an undergraduate degree at Mount Allison University, with a interdisciplinary major of Sociology/Anthropology with a minor in History. She then went on to complete a second undergraduate degree at St Mary's University with a major in Criminology. She is currently completing her first year of master's in library and Information Studies at Dalhousie University.

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