

The Robin Randle Stories

In The Region Where Madness Dwells † During The Time of Shadows

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In Mason, Texas eighteen year old Robin Randle grew up in a violent home. That ended the night she watched as her father shot her mother eight times. He turned on Robin, beating her until the police shot and killed him. At the hospital she was pronounced brain dead but kept alive by machines because she had no family left to pull the plug. For seven months she slept and dreamed about a place called The Region. About the need to find a palace filled with starlight but most of all, finding her home.

On a cold and rain swept winters day she just woke up. Her memories of The Region dissolved into bits and pieces of dream-time and a dreary life as a waitress at a bar began. A high school dropout and friendless she felt there was no future where she could live. Her listless existence began to chip away at her humanity as well as her sanity.

All that changed on the first day of October. During her midnight walk home from Mel's All Night Diner, something emerged from her nightmares and started following her. It was wrapped in darkness and sounded like thousands of dead leaves blowing down empty and forgotten streets. A mysterious man showed up at her door demanding she come with him and run.

That was the beginning of the fight for her life as she met with the impossible. Her mind was splintered into three exceedingly different realities. Memories shattered. While in her coma she hadn't dreamed. She'd traveled in a land forsaken of hope and populated by monstrous gods and the Prince of the Powers of the Air. Now all seemed bent on her destruction. They'd followed her to Earth where she is called *the storm bringer* and *the one who walks two worlds*. She thinks she's lost her lover, her partner in this journey. She slips from world to world and never sleeps. On the run Robin has to unearth the reason for her existence. She races across America and between realities on a journey to unlock memories and discover her true purpose. Lost between darkness and wonder she searches for a valley of dying stars, a place of the unknowing. A place that should not be. All while living under the stars of madness.

What she doesn't know is all the souls of the dead are depending on her not to fail.

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