

Personalized Salutation

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Title, Genre, **Brief Summary**, & Word Count

I'd like to send you my project, *That Self Same Metal*, a young adult historical fantasy about a teenage Black girl fighting unruly Fae in Shakespearean London. It's complete at 40,000 words.

Short plot summary with main points

Joan Sands uses her magical ability to control metal to create stage blades for Shakespeare's acting company. When Auberon, a powerful Fae, attempts to kill Richard Burbage, Joan wounds him with an iron weapon. It's a wound that won't heal and an injury Auberon won't forget. Joan soon discovers that the pact keeping the Fae from devouring mortal London has been broken. Now she must use her powers in ways she barely understands to fight this mystic threat or the world as she knows it will be destroyed.

Brief Bio with relevant & interesting facts

I'm a staff writer for pop culture criticism site Black Nerd Problems. I'm a classically-trained actress and I studied Shakespearean performance in London, England. I spent a year as a Principal Vocalist at Hong Kong Disneyland, entertaining kingly lions, rallying the Wildcats, and coaching the Olympic dreams of Mickey and friends. Following my adventures with the mouse, I moonlighted as theatre professor at Coppin State University for a year & a half while the back of my head made an appearance in 2 scenes in season 1 of House of Cards & the opening of Captain America: The Winter Soldier.

It's currently being read by **Interested Editor** who requested the full manuscript.

