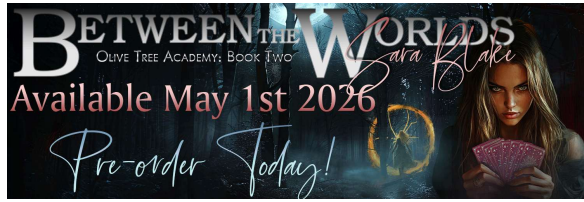


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Happy (Almost) New Year!

I've been talking (translation: whining) for a while now about how this is the time of year my day job gets super busy and demanding. That means the end of the year is when I focus on less demanding tasks writing-wise, and things are a lot less exciting on that front.

The good news is that'll be changing soon!

I'm super excited about the new year and everything I have planned! I wrote about my 2026 writing goals [on the blog](#) last week, but here are some more details...



2026 Publication Schedule

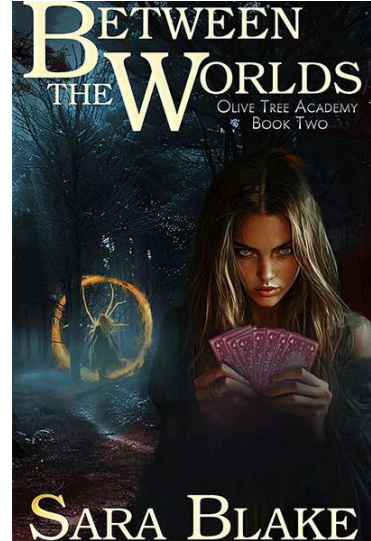
My publishing schedule was pretty fast and furious in 2025. (Really, from mid-2024 through 2025!) That's because I was releasing [The Nexus Season One: Unseen World](#). Those books are novellas, ranging in length from 10k to 40k words, so I was able to put them out fast. (They were actually all written before I started publishing the season, so there's that, too.) So I had a new book release the 1st Friday of every other month in 2025.

It's not going to be as frequent as that in 2026, but there'll be some longer books! To start the year off, though, I'm getting **Unseen World** wrapped up for real with the [release of a Boxset!](#)

The "box," containing all nine episodes plus a bonus short story, drops on February 6th! (Keep reading, though, to find out how you can get your hands on it early--and for free!)

Up next will be the big news of 2026--Book Two in the [Olive Tree Academy](#) Series: [Between the Worlds](#)! This one's been on [pre-order](#) for a while now, but it'll be out for real on May 1st, 2026!

And finally, I have big plans for later in the year, Halloween/Samhain week to be exact: the launch of my new **Barrow City**-based series: **Widdershins**! This is another TV-like novella series, like the **Nexus**. I don't have launch week fully planned out just yet, but I know there will be at least **TWO** books dropping that week!



You'll be hearing a LOT about **Widdershins** throughout 2026, as we get ready for the big launch party!

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Right now, my ARC team has access to the first **Olive Tree Academy** book, [Apprentice](#). I'm still finishing up the final files for the **Unseen World** boxset, but ARC team members can already request it and start reading, too!

Reading **Apprentice** now is a great plan, because I'm hoping to have the ARC for **Olive Tree Academy** Book Two, [Between the Worlds](#), ready sometime in March!

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What I'll Be Working on in 2026...

Anything already on the publication schedule for 2026 is at least well underway, if not finished already. So, what new stuff am I working on this coming year?

My biggest project for 2026 will be continuing the first season of **Widdershins**. I actually wrote the FULL first season of **The Nexus** before I started publishing them at all, but the **Widdershins** books are somewhat different. They're a bit longer than **Nexus** episodes, and I'll be spreading the publishing schedule out a bit wider for those. The first four are, as I said, "well underway," but episodes five through nine are pretty much still just outlines at this point. So getting those written, revised, and edited will be a big part of my 2026 work.

This year, though, I'm really going to try to do better at working multiple stages of my projects simultaneously. That means that while I'll be writing **Widdershins** 5-9, revising **Widdershins** 1-4, and doing the final edit on **Between the Worlds**, I'll also be doing research, planning, and outlining for **The Nexus** Season Two!

I'm also going to try to be more consistent in doing writing exercises and writing some short stories. I have a newsletter-related short story project in mind I'm hoping to be able to announce soon, in fact!

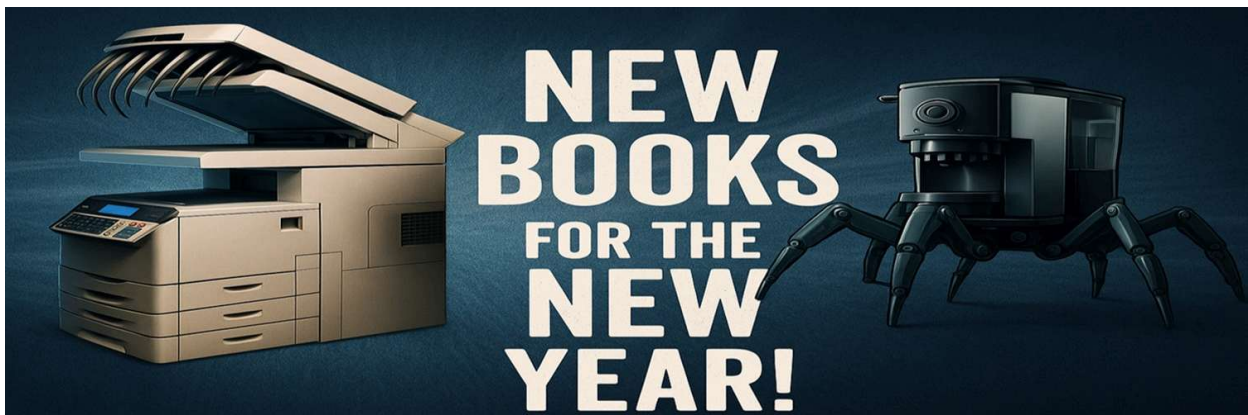
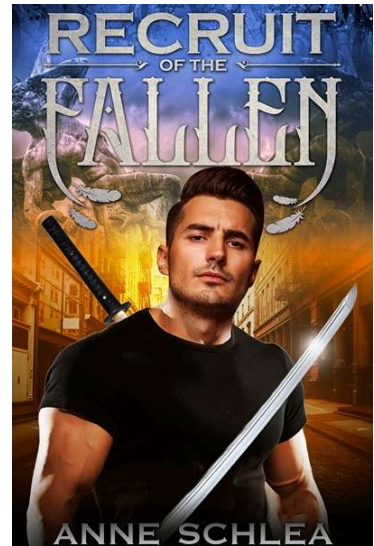
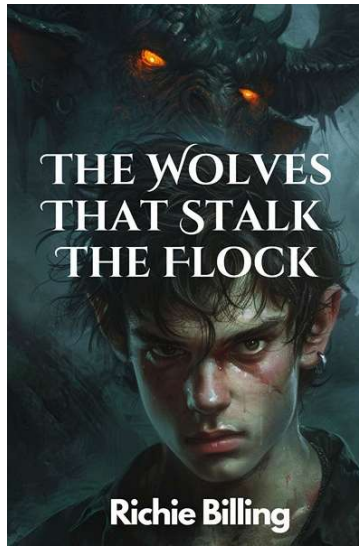
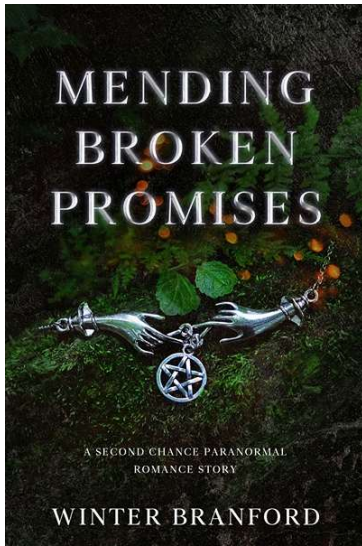
So, those are my plans for 2026--and I'm delighted to have you along for the ride! Expect plenty of updates on my various projects throughout the year--hopefully I'll do a good job keeping up with everything I have planned, and will have plenty of extra goodies for my Sara Squad!

As always, thanks for reading! I'll see you again **NEXT YEAR**--or sooner if you stop by [sarablakeauthor.com](https://www.sarablakeauthor.com/)!

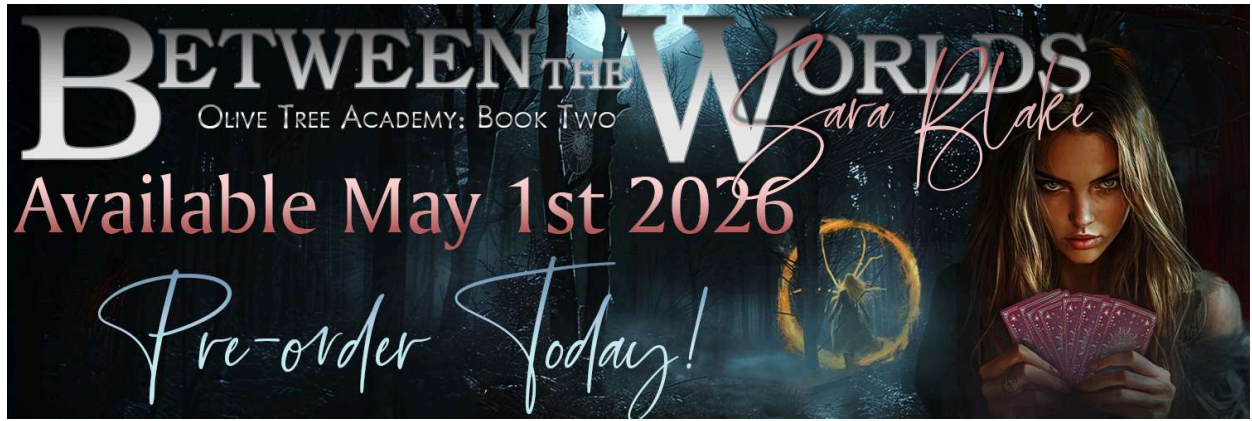
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