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## Meet Author Jordan Tate

### An Interview With the Author...



- **What is the most terrible thing that ever happened to you?** Losing my Father in 2019. I still can't overcome this and I have realized I keep writing about him, in my books, in my scripts. He's everywhere. A part of me died when I lost my Father. This part will never come back.
- **What is your name and do you write under a pen name?** Jordan Tate, I can't remember any other name but this one. This is definitely me.
- **Where do you call home?** My mind for sure, I'm a writer. My mind is like to key to going anywhere and to

escape anything...New York is my favorite place in the world. The place where you feel safe is the place you call home.

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- **Obviously, we know you are an author, but some writers have other jobs as well. Do you have another occupation? Do you believe you're any good at it? Do you like what you do?** I'm also a screenwriter, a translator, a script doctor. I proofread other people's work as well and write some articles. I have done some voice overs too. I like what I'm doing and I believe I'm good at it. I'm good at anything I like to do.
- **What is your family like?** I'm an only child. My family has always been my parents.
- **If it doesn't bother you, can you let us know what your childhood home looked like?** As I said I'm an only child, so my childhood has been very protected, at least the very first years. I was living in a small house with my parents and my grandparents when I was about 2. Then I began to see the dark side of life when I was a teenager, probably developed my rebel and dark side too at this time.
- **Do you have any hobbies, other than writing? What do you enjoy doing?** Workout, reading, watching films and taking care of my pets. I'm a huge animal love, I also like learning something new everyday. Hence, the reading.
- **What is your greatest dream?** Have an animal foundation.
- **What kind of person do you wish you could be? What is stopping you?** Someone who isn't afraid of anything. What is stopping me is probably over-thinking, but as you know I'm a writer (smiles)
- **Not to pry too much, but do you remember your first love?** Of course I do, every woman does...
- **What or who inspired you to start writing? And how long have you been writing?** I first became aware I wanted to be an artist when I was about 6. My Father shown me the video tape of John Guilermin's King Kong, you know the 1976 version with Jessica Lange, and this film had a huge impact on me. My Father was a huge cinema lover, so thanks to him showing me this film, I began developing stories in my head, stories that I wanted to see. Also, when I discovered the dark side of life of people in my teenager life, writing and telling stories became a way to escape what people

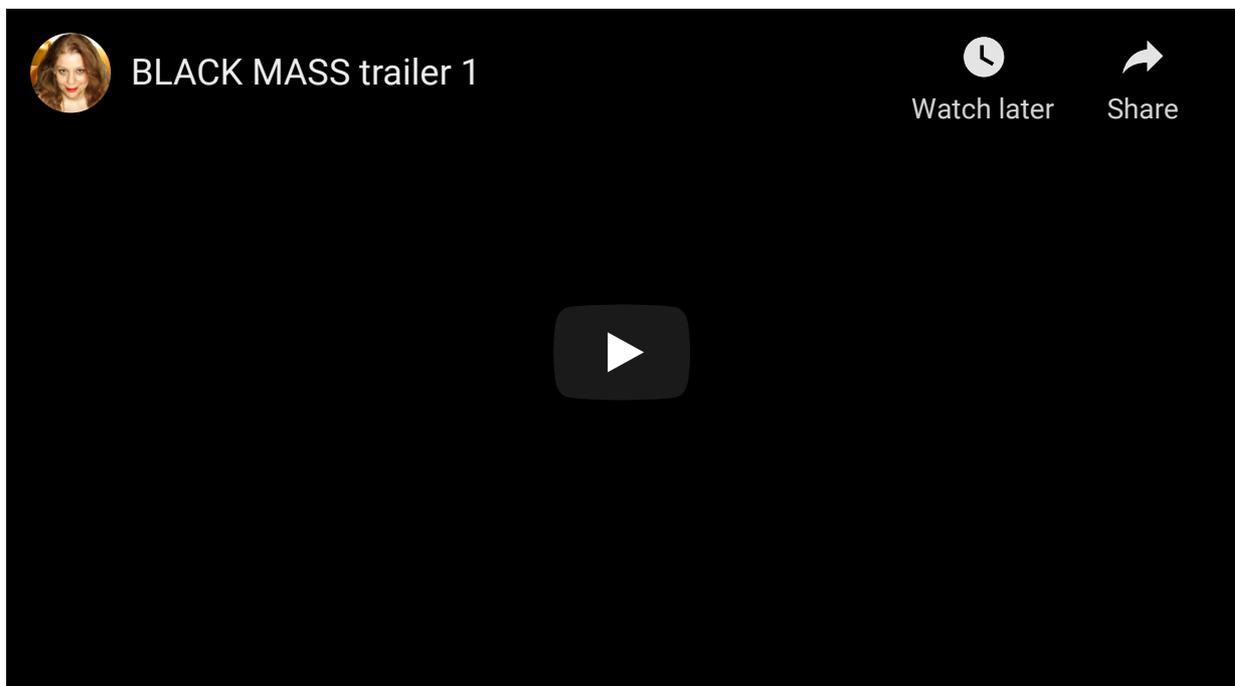
describe as true life.

- **What was your dream growing up? Did you achieve that dream? If so, in what ways was it not what you expected? If you never achieved the dream, why not?** My first dream was to be an actress but mainly to be an artist. I believe being a writer is very close to being an actress in terms of becoming someone else and living several lives, but as a writer I have more freedom, I'm controlling what I create, I'm the head of it.
- **Who is your role model?** Those who have the courage to change what needs to be changed, those who revolt when things are revolting and don't look the other way.
- **What is your greatest fear?** Losing those I love.
- **Do you prefer e-books, paperbacks, hard-covers or audio-books?** Paperbacks, but I must say I love them all. What I prefer is a good book that allows me to forget about the real world around me.
- **Have you ever read a book more than once?** And if so what was it? Sure. The picture of Dorian Gray. Dracula.
- **What is your opinion of novellas?** I love short stories, they go straight to the point.
- **Have you ever read a book just based on its cover?** Can happen to me, but I never judge a book on its cover.
- **What is your favorite film based on a book?** Rosemary's baby. I also love the exorcist.
- **What is your favorite book genre at the moment?** Horror. Supernatural.
- **If you could invite any four (4) celebrities (alive or dead) to your dinner party, who would you invite and why?** Merian Cooper, Ernest B. Schoedsack, Ruth Rose because they created King Kong, the film that started it all for me. I will probably add Marilyn Monroe, because she's iconic, and I'm sure we would get along pretty well.

**Let's shift somewhat and talk about your latest**

## story.

- **What is the name of your most recent book and if you had to sum it up in 20 or fewer words, what would you say?** BLACK MASS it's a story within a story, a horror anthology. A quest, and a revenge.
- **Is the above book part of a series?** No.
- **How did you come up with the cover? Who designed the cover of your book(s)?** Seeking cemetery and dark images and a gate representing the gate to Hell. A mysterious one.
- **Did you listen to any particular songs while writing your book(s)?** Sometimes. Mostly film soundtracks especially when it comes to writing horror books.
- **How did you come up with the title for your book(s)?** It just appeared in my head.
- **Do you have a book trailer?** If so, where can we watch it? Yes, I do have several on My YouTube channel you can see Black mass trailer here:



- **In your latest novel, who is the lead character and can you tell us a little about him/her?** She's a female journalist named Verity, seeking to interview a mysterious rock star named Lachlan Alden. She eventually gets

her way, even though he never does interviews. As the story unfolds, we find out what was her real motive in the first place. We fully discover her.

- **What is your character's greatest strengths?** She's determinate.
- **And what are his/her greatest weaknesses?** Her past, her sadness. But that's also what drives her to accomplish what she will accomplish.
- **What are some of his/her favorite foods?** Never thought of that. She's from New York as most of my leading characters so I guess she might be a cheesecake lover like myself.
- **What's a positive quality that your character is unaware that he or she has?** I believe Verity is very aware of the qualities she has.
- **Will readers like or dislike this character, and why?** I believe they will like her a lot, because in the end she gets what she wants and anyone can relate to what she wants.
- **What first gave you the idea for your latest book?**

I was actually watching a show revolving around supernatural, which is a theme I love, and they were talking about the ghosts in Pere Lachaise. I wasn't planning to write a new book at this moment, then I became fascinated with the subject and said I'm gonna write a book about this place and it will be titled "Black mass", I had a precise vision of it.

## Let's talk now about your writing process.

- **What is your writing style like? Are you a pantster or a plotter?** Very visual as I'm also a screenwriter...And I happen to be both depends on my mood. One of my readers recently compared my short stories to the picture of Dorian Gray by Oscar Wilde and The magic skin by Balzac... I don't know, you'll be the judge.
- **Have you come across any specific challenges in writing or publishing? What would you do differently the next time?** Not particularly. I just don't disclose the plot of my next book too early.

- Are you a self-published/Indie author or did you publish through a traditional publishing company? Indie author.
- If you're a self-published/Indie author what made you go that route instead of the traditional publishing route? Independence, doing what I want whenever I want it. I'm a self-directed at heart.
- What's the best advice that you have been given when it comes to writing? Don't wait for inspiration to come, write everyday after all you can't edit a blank page, inspiration will come as you write. The muse will finally appear.
- What advice would you give someone who wants to start writing? Don't give up! If you want to write, write, that's the most incredible feeling in the world...Creating out of nothing, a blank page, making words, people, stories, lives. If you are a writer, you'll only feel really alive when you're writing.
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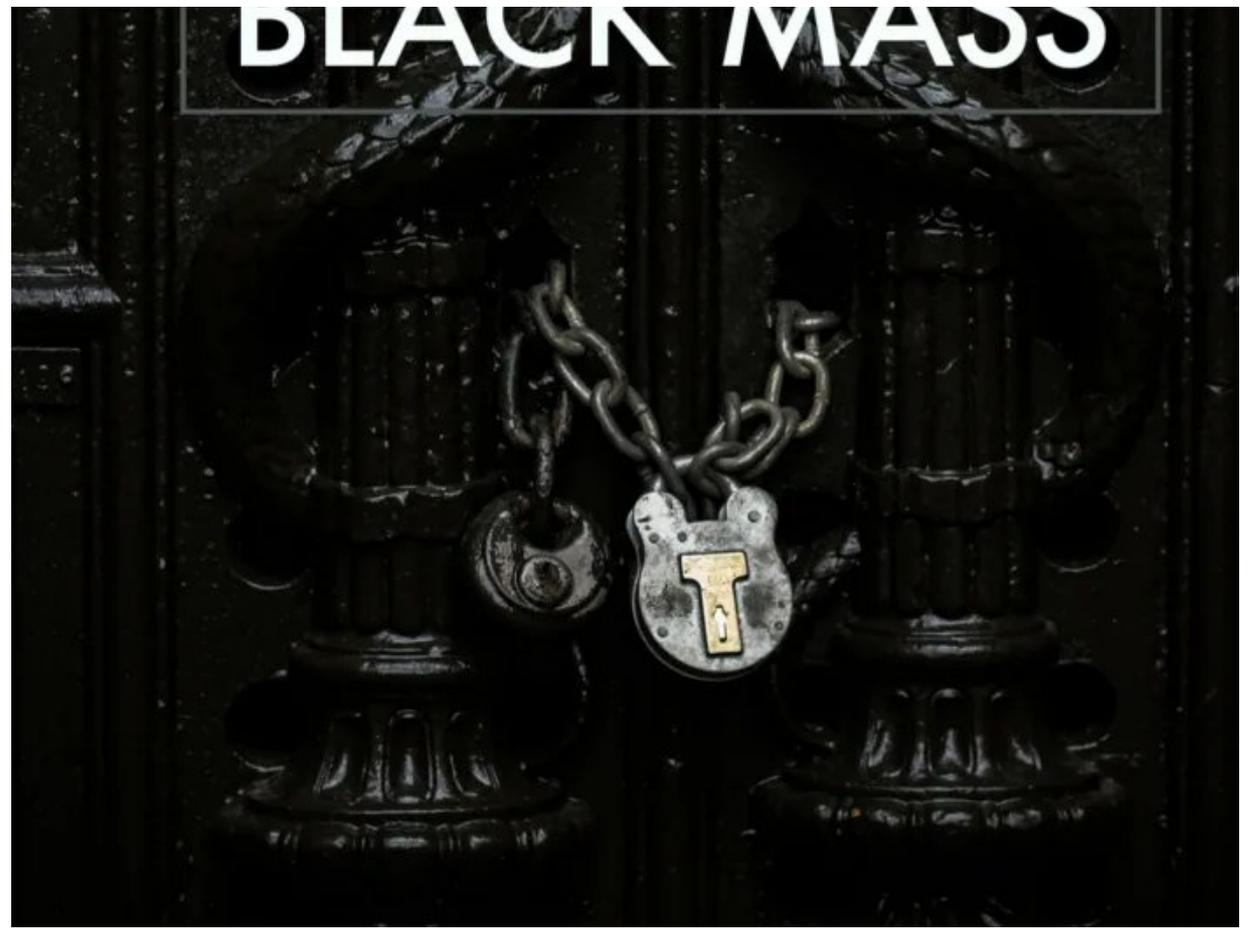
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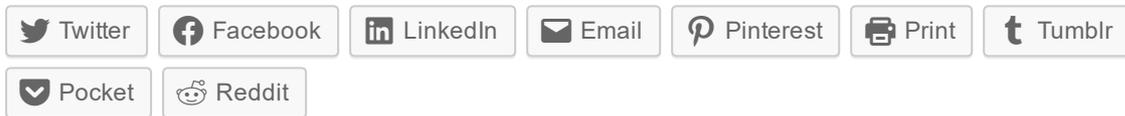
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