



# JoAnna McSpadden

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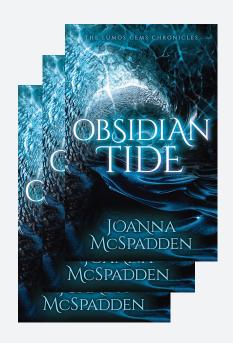


#### **ABOUT THE BOOK**

Set in the splendor of the Victorian Age and mixed with the intrigue of a classic fantasy quest – Obsidian Tide chronicles the epic quest of Princess Katerina, Liam – the Akarian Emperor's outcast nephew, and Anthony – Liam's brother and the Emperor's chosen heir to retrieve a magical relic.

The Healing Stone is one of four long lost magical stones. It is known to contain the powers needed to cure any disease and when the threat of a terrible disease, known as The Obsidian Streaks, hits too close to home, the Healing Stone soon becomes Akaria's only hope. Readers will follow the daring trio of the Akarian Empire royalty as they're forced into societal roles that go against what they desire and embark on the harrowing quest to find the Healing Stone.





#### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

JoAnna McSpadden is a software developer by day and high fantasy writer by night – giving her a truly eclectic perspective of the world around us.

She is a lifelong writer, creative adventurer, bibliophile, and avid fantasy board game enthusiast. When she's not programming ecommerce websites for major household brands, she's writing illustrative literary works of art that inspire readers to dream, embrace their authenticity, and defy the odds to go after whatever it is that they desire – even if it goes against the status quo. JoAnna lives in Kansas City with her husband.

"Black veiny lines radiated from a circular dark patch of skin over her heart. The lines had reached across her chest now, scarring her with a trail of gray skin beneath the lines. The black lines were beginning to crack, revealing a faint blue glow. The damning evidence.

The Obsidian Streaks."

# **BOOK SELL SHEET**

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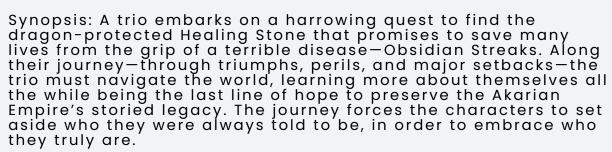
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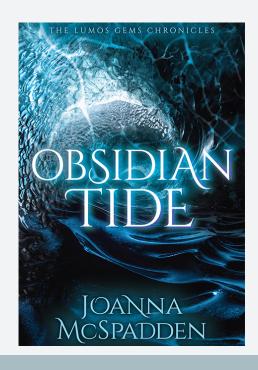
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"McSpadden has created a unique and magical universe that is every bit inventive as it is captivating. Obsidian Tide is a gripping fantasy adventure that will instantly pull you in and keep you hooked until the very last page." -Ashley Mansour, International Best-selling Author

# SAMPLE INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

- 1. When did you first realize you wanted to be a writer?
- 2. What was your path to publication?
- 3. What do you do when a new idea jumps out at you while you're still working on a book?
- 4. What can a reader expect when reading Obsidian Tide?
- 5. Who was your favorite character to write, and why was that person your favorite?
- 6. Can you walk us through your writing process?
- 7. What tools do you use to draft and edit?
- 8. What was the moment that this story was born? In other words, what inspired you to write this book?
- 9. What do you hope readers will get out of reading Obsidian Tide?
- 10. What is your favorite part of the novel?
- 11. Do you have any advice for aspiring authors? What advice would you give to your younger self?
- 12. Can you walk us through your writing process? Do you have any odd writing habits?
- 13. What has been the toughest criticism you have received as an author? What has been the best compliment?
- 14. What do you like to do when you're not writing?



# READER DEMOGRAPHICS



65% US, UK, Canada 5% Australia 30% Rest of world

80% purchasing paperbacks



age 20-35 women

75%

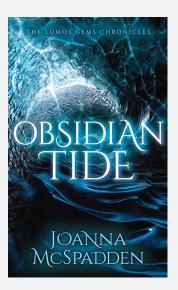
### BOOK EXCERPT

Tonight was to be the beginning of a story so grand that it was widely promised to be recorded in the history books forever. Never before had Esterine royalty stepped foot in Akaria, but on this magical spring night that was about to change. The Esterine royals were to meet with the Akarian emperor to solidify the most powerful alliance of the known political world. And the setting of such a meeting was, of course, the most extravagant party of the year.

And Liam was late.

He felt his wrist for the familiar ticking of his watch as he walked up to the massive ballroom doors. He gave the two guards a half smile and they looked at each other for a moment before they each grabbed hold of a handle and pulled the doors open in front of him. Liam strode forward, pulling at his collar and forcing a convincing smile to break across his face. He rolled his shoulders into a more confident posture and entered the bustling room.

He wished he was invisible as he brushed past the full ball gowns and finely tailored suits, feeling the stares and hearing the whispers in the crowd. He tugged at the cuffs of his own magnificent white and red filigreed suit, scolding himself for not considering the traffic in the city tonight before leaving his manor. He should have known better. He had no one to blame but himself and now he would have to face the consequences.



#### **BOOK REVIEWS**

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Loved, loved, LOVED reading this book. A completely unique fantasy world created that was easy to read and easy to get immersed in. Very great read for anyone new to the fantasy world by making it simple to understand while also keeping character depth and the story interesting. The book is very fast paced and easy to engage in from the beginning!

Very much an all ages book. I would have loved more action between the main battle scenes, they ended too quickly.

I am very excited to know what comes next here! 10/10 recommend.



Such an amazing book! The fastest I've ever read a book, I just could not put it down. You'll find yourself saying "okay, just one more chapter" every time you pick this book up!

#### PRESS RELEASE

Kansas City, MO – Author JoAnna McSpadden has announced her debut novel, "Obsidian Tide," offering readers a magical escape from the realities of their own worlds. Set in a different world and full of magic and adventure, this captivating book will keep readers wanting more.

In McSpadden's "Obsidian Tide" two unlikely heroes must break free from societal expectations and find the inner strength to save their kingdom.

Set in the splendor of the Victorian Age and mixed with the intrigue of a classic fantasy quest — Obsidian Tide chronicles the epic quest of Princess Katerina, Liam — the Akarian Emperor's outcast nephew, and Anthony — Liam's brother and the Emperor's chosen heir to retrieve a magical relic. The Healing Stone is one of four long lost magical stones. It is known to contain the powers needed to cure any disease and when the threat of a terrible disease, known as The Obsidian Streaks, hits too close to home, the Healing Stone soon becomes Akaria's only hope. Readers will follow the daring trio of the Akarian Empire royalty as they're forced into societal roles that go against what they desire.

The trio embarks on a harrowing quest to find the dragon-protected Healing Stone that promises to save many lives from the grip of the Obsidian Streaks. Along their journey – through triumphs, perils, and major setbacks – the trio must navigate the world, learning more about themselves all the while being the last line of hope to preserve the Akarian Empire's storied legacy. The journey forces the characters to set aside who they were always told to be, in order to embrace who they truly are.

Early readers have praised "Obsidian Tide" as "A rich and detailed world with a fresh twist" and "Full of all the twists and turns you don't expect." "Obsidian Tide" is a story "that is both satisfying and unique, weaving an enchanted story on every page"

"Obsidian Tide" is available in multiple formats, including paperback, and eBook, through major online retailers such as Amazon, Barnes & Noble, and Books A Million.

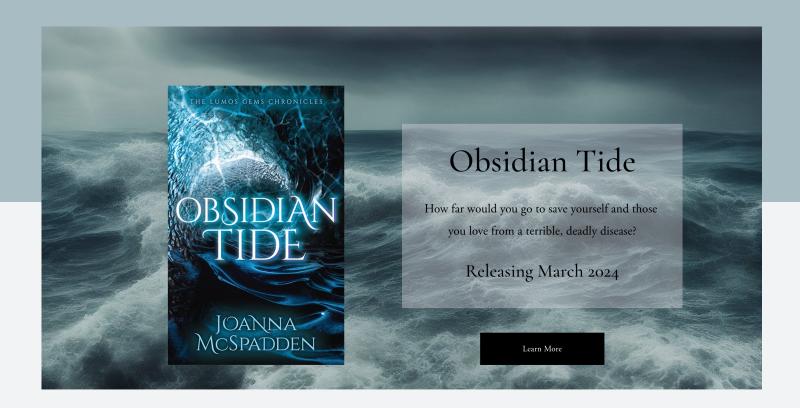
For more information about "Obsidian Tide" and JoAnna McSpadden, visit joannamcspadden.com. To request a review copy or schedule an interview, please contact:

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Note for Editors: Review copies of "Obsidian Tide" are available upon request. High-resolution images of the book cover and author photo can be downloaded from the press kit available at joannamcspadden.com.



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