



Autumn Road to Yessar

The Great Tome of Fantastic and Wondrous Places

Media Kit

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Autumn Road Press Release

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Take an extraordinary journey with “Autumn Road to Yessar” in [‘The Great Tome of Fantastic and Wondrous Places’](#)

Author [Tannara Young’s](#) novelette of a dangerous journey across the high plateau to the sacred mountain Yessar appears in [Bards and Sages Publishing](#) newest anthology.

Bellmawr, NJ - September 21, 2016 - What do you do when your children are grown and you are facing regrets of things you never did?

Tannara Young explores this question in the story of Amian Milfre who decides to forgo moving in with her grown daughter and instead embarks on a pilgrimage to the sacred mountain Yessar that her father once promised they would visit. The author notes that she wanted to explore what happens when the ‘call to adventure’ is heard by an older person, who has already had many life experiences.

The speculative fiction anthology [‘The Great Tome of Fantastic and Wondrous Places’](#) takes readers on a tour of fantasy and alien locales and in addition to ‘Autumn Road to Yessar’ includes:

Arabesque by Ed Ahern
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[The Great Tome of Fantastic and Wondrous Places](#) can be found on online retailers including Amazon, Barnes and Nobles and Smashwords: \$4.99 ebook, \$14.99 paperback

[Bards and Sages Publishing](#) began in 2002 with the launch of our annual charity writing competition. In 2004, we released our first roleplaying game, the *Neiyar: Land of Heaven and the Abyss* campaign setting and the short story collection *September and Other Stories*. Since those humble, stumbling beginnings, we've grown into a unique micro press that continues to produce a wide variety of speculative fiction and roleplaying game materials.

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Summaries and Excerpt of Autumn Road to Yessar

Long Summary

At her son's wedding, Amian Milfre realizes that she does not want to go live with her daughter and son-in-law as tradition dictates she should. Instead, despite the dismay of her children, she sets out to return to the upland plateau where she was born and take the legendary pilgrimage to the sacred mountain Yessar. When she fails to find a guide, she sets out on her own with only her donkey, Mona, for company. As she travels, she rediscovers the knowledge and skills from her youth that help her navigate the barren and dangerous plains. She faces off with bandits, finds water and food, and rediscovers long lost kin. In the end she realizes that the journey to Yessar has been one she has been on her whole life, every moment part of the pilgrimage.

Short Summary

When Amian Milfre decides she is not ready to move in with her daughter's family, she sets out on a pilgrimage to a sacred mountain that her father spoke of long ago. After overcoming many dangers, relearning lost skills and meeting new kin, Amian at last discovers the secret of the Dragon Temple on Mount Yessar.

Excerpt from Autumn Road to Yessar

By Tannara Young

Amian slept poorly, waking at every small noise and even at the silence. Living in a house full of children, with her nearest neighbor a thin wall away, she had forgotten such silence. In the caravan camps music and laughter lasted until the early risers were banging their posts and cursing their horses. Alone, in the high hills, with Mona dozing under an acacia tree, the silence below was as immense as the night sky above.

Tossing and turning in the chill before dawn, Amian decided she would turn back. She would go down to the high road and finish the journey to Zamora. She would visit old friends, and see the Palace Glasshouse Gardens again, and then show up on Pama's doorstep and make peace with her and Gother.

She rose, wrapped herself in her fleecy coat, and crawled out of the tent. Sunlight poured over the eastern rim of the world turning the distant river to pearl and pink. It shone gold on the fading mist and glittered on the distant roofs of Fertha. The lowland spread out before her like embroidery upon a festival shawl – green-gray olive groves, emerald vineyards and orchards, golden barley and wheat fields, white twisting roads. Mona came to the end of her tether rope and nudged Amian's elbow.

“Look at that,” Amian told her. “I can't go back to live in the narrow lanes of the city yet. Just imagine – if I can see this from here, what will I be able to see at Yessar at the top of the world?”

Links and Social Media

The Great Tome of Fantastic and Wondrous Places Website:
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What happens when Amian Milfre decides she would rather not move in with her daughter's family, but instead sets out on a dangerous pilgrimage to a sacred mountain with only a donkey for company? Come find out in 'Autumn Road to Yessar' by Tannara Young, now appearing in *The Great Tome of Fantastic and Wondrous Places*. bardsandsages.com/speculative_fiction/great_tome_vol_3

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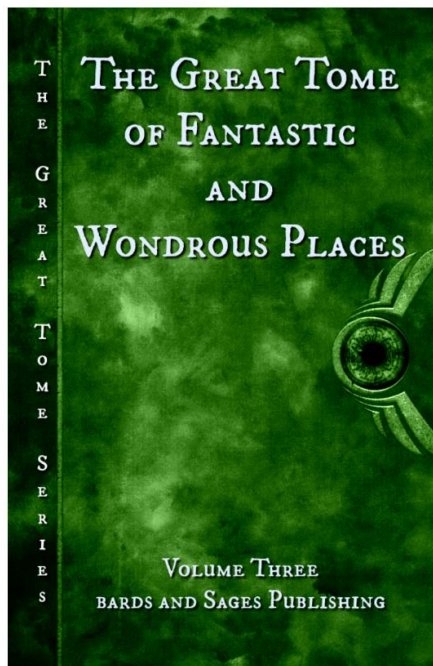
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"I was pleasantly surprised how much fun I had gallivanting through the Great Tome of Forgotten Relics and Artifacts" - Bryan Young

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Debuting author Tannara Young's novelette

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