

Terran Realm Submissions:

Initially, invitations to submit proposals for a Terran Realm book or sub-series are by invitation only.

All Terran Realm books are considered “for-hire” and all rights in the books shall be reserved to Liquid Silver Books. Please see, Sample Contract for reversion rights, restrictions, and proprietary content definitions.

Note: Senior Editor Rae Morgan will accept query e-mails (lsbrachel@yahoo.com) from published authors in the urban fantasy and paranormal romance genres. A short sample of your work in those genres should be attached along with a bio and a general concept of what you might like to write. If the Senior Editor feels you might be right for the Terran Realm, an invitation to submit will follow.

If you are invited to submit a proposal, please use the following guidelines:

Word Count:

50,000 words to 100,000 +. We are not looking at novellas or shorter works at this time.

Submission package:

First six chapters and a synopsis detailing in general the major plot points of the book and how it fits chronologically into the already existing books in the Realm. The Terran Realm Shared Universe guidelines will be helpful in determining time lines.

A short bio and a list of published books.

LSB may ask to see samples of previously published books if the Senior Editor is not already familiar with your work..

Genre:

Dark urban fantasy, must have a romance between the hero and heroine; sexual intensity can be anywhere from sensual (Liquid) to erotic (Molten). For examples of Molten Books, please visit the Liquid Silver web site <http://www.liquidsilverbooks.com>. Book does not have to have a happy-ever-after ending, but is preferred.

Sub-series:

Sub-series within the Terran Realm are allowed. For example, Tiffany Aaron’s Clan Najwa series and Rae Morgan’s Talisman series. If you have a concept for a series, send in a proposal outlining in general what the series will entail and how many books you anticipate along with the synopsis and first six chapters of the first book.

Format:

Times New Roman, 12 pt.

Single-spaced

Pages numbered

Point of view breaks within a chapter, single asterisk; Scene changes within a chapter, four asterisks.

Italics in blue font.

Use of the Terran Realm Shared Universe Guidelines is required in writing the book.

Rich Text Format only. All other formats will be sent back.

Editing:

For editing purposes, we use Microsoft Word Track Changes. All authors should become intimately familiar with this program. All editing is done through the use of e-mail attachments.

All accepted first drafts go through a pre-edit by Senior Editor Rae Morgan for world continuity and logic. Once she has passed a final first draft, then the book goes to the LSB Terran Realm Editor for another round (or two or three) of edits. Once a final copy is okayed, it goes to the Terran Realm Proofreader. At a minimum consider the editing process as around three months. Books are published on the schedule as determined by the Senior Editor and the Publisher.

Cover Art:

Covers for the Realm are standardized as to style and a warm/cool color theme. Authors will have input on subject matter for their book's cover. A questionnaire will be sent out upon acceptance of a first complete draft (before the pre-edit by Rae Morgan). The author will also be asked to look at certain stock photo sites to choose representative photos of what they feel their main characters look like. These stock photos will be used to create the character bio pages and the cover. All covers are created by our Senior Art Director April Martinez.

Web Site:

All authors will also be asked to create short character bios and short Q&As (ostensible from Claire Galliardi, Terran Recordkeeper and Librarian) for the web site. These short pieces must be in to Rae Morgan at least three months before the publishing date to be posted on the web site.

Promotion:

All authors will promote their books and the Terran Realm as a whole on their web site and on the Internet. Promotion is considered an integral part of the Terran Realm Author Contract.

Please note: These Guidelines will be incorporated into any contract entered into by the Author and the Publisher. Violation or failure to meet these Guidelines shall constitute a breach of contract. So, please read them carefully; if there are any aspects of these Guidelines that might cause problems in the submission of a final manuscript, such as not having Microsoft Word on your computer, please let the Senior Editor know this at the time of your proposal.