

Live Your Writing Dream

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2010—Year in Review

Here's a challenge for you!

Think over the last year and everything you've done in your writing journey. Think in categories:

- How-to books you'veread
- Classes or workshop taken
- Short stories written
- Articles written
- Novels you've worked on
- Revisions you've started
- Stories submitted
- Contest entered
- Books you've read
- Writing conferences you attended
- Critique or writing groups you've been active in
- <Add your own category!

On a separate piece of paper, write one category. Keep all your pages in a place where you will notice them over the next couple of weeks. (You can also do this in a Word document and update it whenever you have your computer up and running.)

During the next couple of weeks—take time to reflect on what you've accomplished in terms of your writing journey. You might be surprised at all the writing related activities you have been involved in during 2010.

As you work on your Year in Review List, consider what you want to accomplish during 2011. Build your goals for next year based on what you have been working toward during 2010. What's most important to you? What writing activities do you want to continue? Which ones might you drop?

At this time of year, as you move from the old into the new, is a wonderful time to evaluate what you've done and what might be accomplished during 2011.

Keep you writing journey list from 2010 in a safe place. At the end of each of the coming years, write your new list, revisit the list from the previous year, and look onward to what you want for yourself during each new year.

Win a Scholarship to Year-Long Fantasy Writing Class!

Time is limited! Only the first 25 entries will be considered...From the Savvy Author website:

The Win a Free Scholarship Contest to Your Fantasy Novel—Start to Finish in One Year with P. June Diehl is just what you need to make your

dreams come true.

Entering the contest is simple.

First, write the opening scene of a fantasy story (1000 words or less) using the following first lines as your prompt: *Jaz* glanced into the semi dark alley after escaping from her BMW. Drat. Zombies. Not what she needed at the moment. How would she explain this to her new boyfriend?

Second,....

More details: http:// www.savvyauthors.com/vb/ showevent.php?eventid=737

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

I wish for each of you a happy and safe holiday.

I've had an exciting year of learning, meeting new writers, and trying out new ventures.

I'm excited to see what the 2011 might produce!

Merry Christmas and a

Joyous New year!

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During the coming year, I will be sharing some thoughts about what makes a story great from some different perspectives...

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Visit my website for information. About upcoming workshops and classes (URL on page 2)

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Please feel free to forward this newsletter in its entirety to others.

Best wishes!

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Upcoming Workshops and Classes

January 3, 2011—Short Story—From Idea to Draft in 30 Days

January 24, 2011-Your Fantasy Novel—Start to Finish in One Year with P June Diehl

February 2011—Generating Story Ideas & Choosing the Best

March 2011—Discovering Your Writing Process

April 2011—The Truth Beyond Writers Block

June 2011—Building a Successful Submission Package

For information on workshops that I'm teaching at Savvy Authors and other workshops, go to:

http://www.savvyauthors.com/vb/ workshoplist.php For the class I'm teaching beginning January 24, go to: http:// www.savvyauthors.com/vb/ content.php?342-Your-Fantasy-Novel-Start-to-Finish-in-One-Year-with-P-June-Diehl

I also post a craft-related blog, A



Savvy University: http://SavvyAuthors.com

Novel Approach with P June Diehl, at Savvy Authors once a month. You can find it here:

http://www.savvyauthors.com/vb/ content.php?144-A-Novel-Approachwith-June-Diehl

