

Thrice-Cooked Beans {Pilot}

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Record:

"Kendra Verasco tried to write a little bit each day. Now, it wasn't the quantity of the prose or the repetition of the activity or even the words which might have been dictated into the verbalizer that she happened to be referring to.

There's this concept of..."

Emphasis.

"...'writing' which forced Kendra to question whether she was ever not doing it. Think about the process that the many different phases from planning to execution to editing encompassed, and then circle back to the immediacy of now - the author opined. The power on Ceres might have gone out, but a deadline was looming - two deadlines actually: Her chance to submit a story to her favorite SoNet site, MyOuterSpace, was right around the corner, and the battery life on her verbalizer was down to seven hours.

Mind you, that was seven hours with only the word processing application opened up. Add the dictionary/thesaurus program, email, and access to a hosted space that could be used to back up files, and Kendra was looking more at three to four point five hours of battery life remaining. Listening to her collection of digital albums in order to set the mood was out of the question.

Out of Kendra's comfort zone, the parameters of the submission guidelines were a jet injector to the upper arm that she welcomed which gave her an opportunity to work on...working within editorial constraints. Never a pain but always a challenge, those guidelines were a much needed diversion from the grind of the daily workload that made up her specialty of a stream of consciousness writing style that she'd been honing for decades.

Kendra never stopped writing, although many on the SoNet probably wished that she had..."

Scratch that - all the way back to 'although'. Resume:

"...and a silent majority of those within her circle on the SoNet were pulling for her. Like-minded creative types might not have understood the specifics behind a particular drive, but the camaraderie was formed by the actual drive to create which cemented its validity in a shared struggle that was overcome when a creator began their task and conquered when they completed it..."

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"Writer's block didn't have a chance when Kendra became philosophical like this, and it was a good thing too because the writing assignment was a doozy. She preferred to write modern science fiction which meant that the stories mirrored current times but offered a taste of certain futuristic elements which might not have been readily available or feasible at the time - like a Power Authority who offered one hundred percent uptime.. Ha."

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