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# Wizards of the Coast presents A Guide to Dragonlance Novels



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For a quarter of a century, the DRAGONLANCE® setting has been engaging millions of readers in a world of magic and adventure. Tales of war, love and exploration come together in riveting stories based on the Companions, a band of friends seeking to save the world of Krynn from the forces of evil.



# The World of Krynn

The DRAGONLANCE novels take place in the world of Krynn—most of them in the various regions of Ansalon and Taladas. Krynn's history is split into six separate ages, with most novels taking place during the Age of Despair and, more recently, the Age of Mortals.

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## Ansalon

At one time a large continent, Ansalon was shattered into many smaller islands by the Cataclysm. It is bordered to the south by the mass of Icereach, a mostly unexplored wasteland.

#### Taladas

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Located northeast of Ansalon, the continent of Taladas was home to the evil nation of Aurim before the Cataclysm melted the area, leaving a massive lake of molten rock in its place.

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# Getting to Know Some of the Central Characters

## Caramon Majere

A strong and handsome man, Caramon is the elder twin of Raistlin Majere. Caramon's loyalty to his brother is unshakable even as Raistlin dabbles in the darker side of magic.

### Raistlin Majere

Caramon Majere's twin brother, who grew up with an intense passion for the magic arts. After a harrowing test that changed him in ways both seen and unseen, his magical skills are only surpassed by his ambition.

#### Mína

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An orphan taken in by Goldmoon at the Citadel of Light, Mina is tapped by the One God of Krynn before the perilous upheaval of the War of Souls. Her trust and open nature make her a quick learner but may bring her trouble as she travels the world.

#### Kitiana Uth Matan

Kitiara is the half-sister of Raistlin and Caramon Majere. On a search to learn more about her Solamnic father, she joined the Dragonarmies of Takhisis and has become the formidable commander of the Blue Dragonarmy.

#### Tanís Half-Elven

The leader of the Companions, Tanis is torn by his nature. Part human and part elf, he is comfortable in neither world. His bravery and calm in the face of danger belie a conflicted soul.

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## Laurana Kanan

The headstrong daughter of the Speaker of the Suns, Laurana runs away to join her childhood friend, Tanis Half-Elven on his quest to save Krynn. Fortunately for the Companions, Laurana's headstrong nature makes her a determined commander.

# Introducing the DRAGONLANCE Co-Creators

Since 1985, Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman have jointly authored over 30 books, the majority of them for the DRAGONLANCE series.



#### Margaret Weis

Margaret Weis was a storyteller before she knew how to read. In kindergarten, Weis would sit in front of the class and tell stories to her classmates while her teacher caught up on paperwork. Growing up in a home that valued books and reading, Weis's favorite authors were Alexander Dumas, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle and later, J.R.R. Tolkien.

Weis graduated from the University of Missouri with a degree in English, then worked for 12 years at a small church-owned publishing company as a proofreader, advertising director and eventually, editor—concurrently publishing several works of juvenile nonfiction and working on a science fantasy novel.

After learning of Dungeons & Dragons® from a *Publishers Weekly* article, Weis applied for a position at TSR and was hired as editor for a new, ground-breaking project known as DRAGONLANCE. She met lead designer Tracy Hickman and was immediately enthralled with the story line. Together, the duo spent one weekend writing the first chapters of what would become *Dragons of Autumn Twilight*—the beginning of an era widely considered to have revolutionized roleplaying games and game-related fiction.

Since that time, Weis has authored or edited dozens of *New York Times* best-selling novels—with Hickman or other collaborators, as well as independently. In addition, Weis is owner and chief officer of Margaret Weis Productions, Ltd., which produced DRAGONLANCE game products until June 2008.



#### Tracy Hickman

Tracy Hickman was born in Salt Lake City, Utah, on November 26th, 1955. He graduated from Provo High School in 1974 where his major interests were in drama, music and Air Force JROTC. In 1975, Tracy began two years of service as a missionary for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (the Mormons). His initial posting was for six months in Hawaii before his visa was approved, and he moved on to his final calling in Indonesia. There, he served as a missionary in Surabaya, Djakarta, and the mountain city of Bandung before being released honorably in 1977. As a result, Tracy can still speak conversational Indonesian and occasionally bases his magical phrases on that language.

Tracy married his high school sweetheart, Laura Curtis, within four months of his return to the United States. They are the parents of four children: Angel, Curtis, Tasha and Jarod.

Tracy has worked as a supermarket stockboy, a movie projectionist, a theater manager, a glass worker, a television assistant director and a drill press operator in a genealogy center. It was in 1981—between jobs and wanting to buy shoes for his children—that he approached TSR about buying two of his modules... and ended up with a job, instead. That job led to his association with Margaret Weis and their first publication together: DRAGONLANCE Chronicles.

Since 1985 they have jointly authored over forty books—a partnership that continues with their latest *Dragonships* series. Tracy's first two solo novels, *Requiem of Stars* and *The Immortals*, were published in the spring of 1996. He also writes with his wife, Laura. Together they have written *The Bronze Canticles* trilogy, as well as several upcoming new novel projects.

Tracy remains highly active in his church and pursues a number of hobbies including guitar, singing, piano, models, Blu-ray movies (under protest), computer games, television production and animation. He loves to read biographies, histories and popular science books. Tracy currently resides in South Jordan, Utah.

# Navigating the Novels

If you've never read a DRAGONLANCE novel, this quick guide will help chart your way.

## The Companions' Adventures

#### Chronicles

The Chronicles trilogy is the perfect place to start your DRAGONLANCE journey—the story of the Companions and the battle to save Krynn from Takhisis, the Queen of Darkness. **Dragons of Autumn Twilight** by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman **Dragons of Winter Night** by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman **Dragons of Spring Dawning** by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman







## Collectors' Edition

**The Annotated Chronicles** by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman: All three volumes of the Chronicles trilogy in a single volume that includes extensive notes from the authors.



#### Legends

Raistlin and Caramon Majere, twin brothers with very different paths in life. The adventures of Chronicles continue as brother confronts brother and the history of Krynn is laid bare.

Time of the Twins by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman War of the Twins by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman Test of the Twins by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman







#### Collectors' Edition

**The Annotated Legends** by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman: A special compilation, with commentary from the authors.



#### The Raistlin Chronicles

Before the Companions met, Raistlin Majere was a child with a talent for magic and a man who fought for the good that he saw in the world around him.

The Soulforge by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman

Brothers in Arms by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman

**The Raistlin Chronicles** by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman (*March 2010*)—a special compilation that includes *The Soulforge* and *Brothers in Arms* 



#### The Lost Chronicles

The third trilogy of the Companions, the Lost Chronicles tell the events of the Chronicles trilogy itself, but from the point of view of the evil that menaced Krynn during the War of the Lance. **Dragons of the Dwarven Depths** by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman **Dragons of the Highlord Skies** by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman **Dragons of the Hourglass Mage** by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman







### The New Generation

Years have passed since the end of the War of the Lance. The Companions of the Lance have returned to their homes, raising children and putting the days of their heroic deeds behind them. But as the forces of darkness endanger Krynn the time has come to pass the sword—or the staff—to the children of the Lance, the Second Generation.

Dragons of Summer Flame by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman

The Second Generation edited by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman



## The War of Souls

The Age of Mortals brought about by the Companions has been accepted by the people of Krynn when Mina, an orphan girl and the cleric of the One God, rises to unite the Knights of Takhisis and subjugate the world under the banner of that god.

Dragons of a Fallen Sun by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman

Dragons of a Lost Star by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman

Dragons of a Vanished Moon by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman







## The World of Krynn

## The Dark Disciple Trilogy

Mina searches for her place in the world—and finds Takhisis is not the only god she might serve. **Amber and Ashes** by Margaret Weis **Amber and Iron** by Margaret Weis

Amber and Blood by Margaret Weis



## Kang's Regiment

A regiment of draconian engineers with a precious cargo face a mystery that will require the skills of a great thinker.

The Doom Brigade by Margaret Weis and Don Perrin Draconian Measures by Margaret Weis and Don Perrin





### Tracy Hickman Presents the Anvil of Time

Co-creator of the DRAGONLANCE world, Tracy Hickman has guided the rise of talented new authors in this special series. With the power of the Anvil of Time, an elusive figure called the Journeyman travels into Krynn's past to observe events that have long passed into legend.

The Sellsword by Cam Banks The Survivors by Dan Willis Renegade Wizards by Lucien Soulban

The Forest King by Paul B. Thompson









### Dwarf Home Trilogy

A veil of secrecy shrouded the dwarven kingdoms of Krynn when the War of Souls finally came to its bloody end. Now the veil is torn away to reveal the bitter enmities festering under the mountains.

The Secret of Pax Tharkas by Douglas Niles

The Heir of Kayolin by Douglas Niles

The Fate of Thorbardin by Douglas Niles (January 2010)



#### The Rise of Solamnia

After the Second Cataclysm, Solamnia is in turmoil. But there is one man, an outlaw, who might be able to face down Solamnia's enemies and make an empire out of a shattered land.

Lord of the Rose by Douglas Niles The Crown and the Sword by Douglas Niles

The Measure and the Truth by Douglas Niles









## **Elven Nations**

Only the oldest child can inherit and the twins born to the Speaker of the Stars accept that until the depth of the siblings' rivalry is revealed and the resulting war shatters a nation irreparably. **Elven Nations** by Paul B. Thompson, Tonya C. Cook and Douglas Niles



#### The Stonetellers

The goblin slaves of the Dark Knights rise up and take their freedom in the aftermath of a catastrophic earthquake that rocks Neraka, but their journey does not end with escaping from their harsh masters.

The Rebellion by Jean Rabe

Death March by Jean Rabe

Goblin Nation by Jean Rabe (October 2009)







## The Ogre Titans

The ambitious Golgren leads the ogre race, by the gift of a pact with the Ogre Titans. But they, led by their ruling council, have plans of their own.

The Black Talon by Richard Knaak

The Fire Rose by Richard Knaak

The Gargoyle King by Richard Knaak (December 2009)



## The Minotaur Wars

The legitimate heir to the stolen throne must overcome his own demons and lead an army of outcasts into the heart of the empire.

Night of Blood by Richard Knaak Tides of Blood by Richard Knaak Empire of Blood by Richard Knaak







## The Taladas Trilogy

The continent of Taladas was long believed to be legend. Now the knowledge of a few is proven true in the chronicles of a world similar in some ways to Ansalon, yet dangerously different in others.

Blades of the Tiger by Chris Pierson Trail of the Black Wyrm by Chris Pierson

#### Shadow of the Flame by Chris Pierson





## Elven Exíles

The elves of Qualinesti and Silvanesti have finally united in their flight from the dragons that destroyed their ancient homelands, but they have not yet found a safe place to build a future. **Sanctuary** by Paul B. Thompson and Tonya C. Cook

Alliances by Paul B. Thompson and Tonya C. Cook

**Destiny** by Paul B. Thompson and Tonya C. Cook







The Age of Mortals has produced its share of leaders who wrote their names in history. **The Lioness** by Nancy Varian Berberick **Dark Thane** by Jeff Crook **Prisoner of Haven** by Nancy Varian Berberick **Wizards' Conclave** by Douglas Niles **The Lake of Death** by Jean Rabe











## The Linsha Trilogy

In the wake of war, one woman faces the ultimate sacrifice—a pledge she holds sacred must be broken. Though she fears losing her honor, greater deeds await her.

**City of the Lost** by Mary Herbert **Flight of the Fallen** by Mary Herbert

#### Return of the Exile by Mary Herbert







## Anthologíes

Fantastic tales of the world of Krynn come together in these anthologies. Read them in any order—as an introduction to the world or to continue the adventure in your favorite setting.

The Dragons at War edited by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman

The Search for Power: Dragons from the War of Souls edited by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman Dragons in the Archives: The Best of Weis & Hickman









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