



Doing the "Write" Thing: The Hidden Expectations & Secret Costs of Dream Building



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It's been almost two years since I decided to pursue writing exclusively. And as is the case with any major decision, there's what I thought I was opting into, and what it ended up being.

I became a writer because I loved writing.

Silly me.

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Four social media accounts, (almost) two books, an extensive agent hunt, nine pitches, five fellowship applications, four writing groups, two retreats, one writing conference, and numerous "not yet's" later, I now understand how much goes into being a writer that has little or nothing to do with the writing itself. (I feel like I should've ended that list with "and a partridge in a pear tree").