

LORI OF ZIRIT: BOOK 1 - QUERY / COVER LETTER

I am seeking representation for my YA fantasy novel, *Lori of Zirit – Book 1*, complete at 86,750 words. It's the first in a six-part series that follows a girl raised in secrecy as she uncovers her magical legacy and fights to protect a divided world from a rising dark force. This book will appeal to fans of Shannon Messenger's *Keeper of the Lost Cities* and Tamora Pierce's *The Immortals* series.

Twelve-year-old Lori has lived her whole life in the hidden village of Quaint Quillin, with no idea she's the daughter of Zirit's late King and Queen—or that she was created through ancient magic that united all four elemental powers. When her grandfather is murdered by a growing threat known as the Ruby Queen, Lori must flee her home and begin a perilous journey across Zirit: a magical land ruled by the elemental forces of Earth, Water, Air, and Fire.

Guided by a magical relic and accompanied by a feisty *Puffin* named Kifli, Lori meets strange Tribes, unravels ancient histories, and glimpses the power she carries within. But even as she finds a fragile sense of belonging, the Ruby Queen gains strength—and Lori is forced to escape to Yudland, the non-magical world (our world), where she must fight to survive without the magic she's only just begun to understand.

As war looms and betrayal strikes close to home, Lori must find the courage to face her destiny and stop the spread of Ruby magic before it consumes both Zirit and Yudland.

I am a mother of two, settled in Budapest and deeply immersed in writing, art and Community building. Apart from this novel, I also have unpublished Children's Picture Book, collections of short fictional stories and poems.

Lori of Zirit is fantasy and literature woven together – in the form of visual descriptions and poetry sprinkled between its chapters. It is my debut novel, and the full manuscript is available upon request. Thank you for your time and consideration.