10/1/2021 Prompt: Haunted (Owen & Karina 7)

-OWEN-

"In the midst of the Opal Sea is an island shrouded in eternal autumn, crisp and quiet.

In the middle of Whitethrone Island is a castle encircled by brackish water, silent and still.

In the keep of Castle Evertrue is a chamber framed by forgotten memories, dead and gone.

In the Chamber of the Nightingale is the pedestal which holds the Element of Seren, haunted and waiting."

"For what?" I asked the Faerie Queen.

Her light fingers trailed the profile of a slender yew longbow before placing it in my hands. Warmth slithered up my arms and mingled with the swirling in my core. I drew back the string, peering down the sight of an invisible arrow.

"That is what my Archer must discover before it is too late."

-KARINA-

"Why am I here?" I asked the man called Master as I took his obsidian bishop with my knight.

"My dear Karina," he replied, cutting down my rook. "I need you,

Knight of the Element,

Avenger of the Nightingale,

Receiver of Evertrue,

Intended of Whitethrone,

Nurturer of the Opal,

Advocate of Ne'erendi."

I blinked twice, but he was still there. "I think you have the wrong person."

"My dear Huntress, the first thing you must learn is that I am rarely wrong." He felled my ivory queen in one fatal stroke. "The Element of Seren waits for thee on the island of the autumnal equinox."

"What for?"

"That you must discover before the Archer of Larudana finds you."

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I played with their names a bit. See if you can puzzle it out. And of course, never eat anything from a faerie. (wink)

I may not follow this storyline every week. You can find the whole list in order in my highlights.