

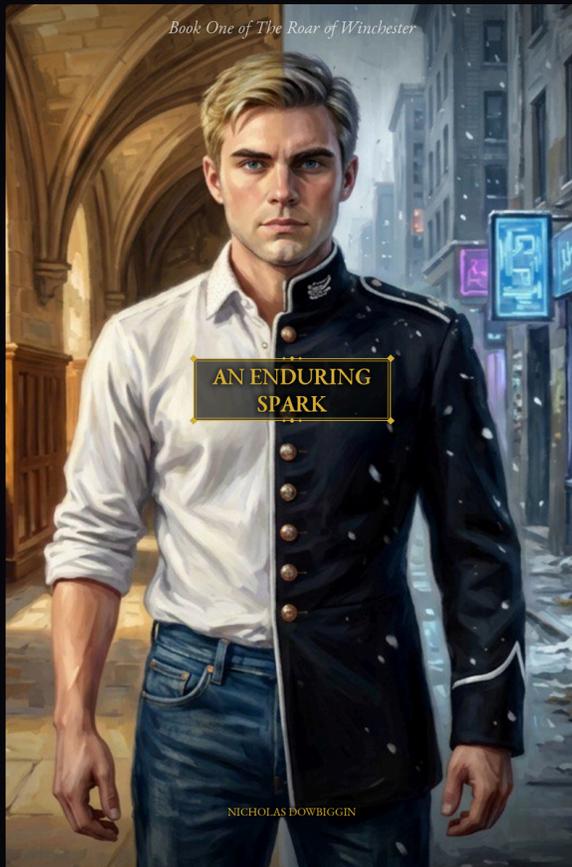
AN ENDURING SPARK

BOOK ONE OF THE ROAR OF WINCHESTER

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Genre: Epic Fantasy / Speculative Fiction



ABOUT THE BOOK

In the Year of the Holy 1312, the world stands on the brink of revolution. Arthur Cawthorne seeks to serve within the Elites, to make his family, his friends and his nation proud. Yet the Elites have also lost their way. As he carves a path forward, it is love that will keep him whole. Love of those who raised him. Love of those who were there, and then were not, leaving only their ghosts. And the love of the woman who reminds him of why he must continue to stand, even when everything around him falls.

COMPARABLE TITLES

For readers of *The Name of the Wind* (Rothfuss), *The Expanse* (Corey), *Red Rising* (Brown), and *The Poppy War* (Kuang). Blends academy coming-of-age with political scope and corporate intrigue across dual timelines.

TROPES & THEMES

Dual Timeline

Slow Burn Romance

Enemies to Lovers

Found Family

Military Academy

Morally Gray Characters

Political Intrigue

Corporate Dystopia

Rivals to Allies

Strong Female Lead

Unrequited Love

Series Starter

CONTENT NOTES

Military combat and violence, strong language, depression, alcohol use, political corruption, fade-to-black intimacy, grief and loss, bullying.

ADVANCE PRAISE

"A deep and sprawling epic science fiction tale that will span generations. This debut novel blends the complex emotions and relationships that each of us carry and how they lead us to the paths we now follow."

One spark is all it will take.



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