Real quick glowfic 101

What is glowfic?

Glowfic is a genre of webfiction! It's a cross between a text roleplay and a coauthored story. It started as a collaboration by a couple of writers, Alicorn and Kappa, on dreamwidth; now it has its own website, called "the Constellation."

If you want more information, here's the community guide to glowfic and the wiki glossary.

There's an awful lot of glowfic and no obvious way to tell which things are prerequisite for which other things! Where do I start?

If you just want a single generic rec: Start with in color by Alicorn and lintamande. It was the first glowfic I (and a lot of other people) read and requires basically no background. If you want you can read this setting explanation first.

If there are specific themes you're interested in reading about, or if you want something pretty short: you can take this uquiz to recommend you a starter glowfic.

If you want a list of options: Check out the newbie-friendly reading list on the next page of this guide.

What if I want to read things by a specific author, or involving a specific character?

You can go to their author page (respectively, character page) on the Constellation and choose from their list of threads or continuities. You can also enter, for example, [author="Alicorn"] into the wiki search bar to find wiki pages for glowfic written by Alicorn.

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