

Dan Quinn anyone?

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Uwe Schuerkamp — 05 Apr 2005, 13:38

Hi folks,

I was wondering after a bit of lurking here if anyone is familiar with the works of Daniel Quinn?

All the best,

uwe

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maru — 06 Apr 2005, 18:08 · in reply to Uwe Schuerkamp

Uwe Schuerkamp wrote:

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I haven't anyway. But I am curious: what connection do you see between Quinn and Wolfe? The summaries wikipedia proffered didn't reveal any immediately obvious link.

~Maru

David Duffy — 06 Apr 2005, 21:33 · in reply to maru

I've just been rereading Delany's *Empire Star* (1966), and was struck by certain resonances with tBotNS

I suppose SPOILERS AHOY

a) the heroine is Sai Severina
b) who as Princess of the Empire (with a dying father) will ascend to the throne that controls the time gate
c) travels back in time to carry out her plan to free the enslaved LII (the name of the only member of this creative race we meet is an anagram of Samuel R Delany)
d) which entails the recruitment and education of the hero Comet Jo to her cause (a 500 year wait under the pseudonym Charona)
e) who then helps the young Severina kickstart her plan and time travel loop.
f) and when older helps recruit himself to the plan just as he dies

I don't remember the original typesetting, but in the 1980 (reprinted 2000) illustrated version, after the linear story of Jo, the loop is presented in a half page

summary with mandalas made up of the illustrations.

David Duffy.