

**CALL FOR PARTICIPATION: GENDERSWAP FANFICTION AUTHORS
INTERESTED IN SPEAKING ABOUT THEIR EXPERIENCES IN THE FANFICTION
COMMUNITY**

You are invited to participate in a study on fanfiction authors who write or read genderswap fanfiction. This study is being conducted by Dianna Fielding; Sociology major at Hamline University in St. Paul, Minnesota.

Background Information:

The purpose of this study is to gain information on how genderswap authors and readers create and perceive gender through their writing. The research is conducting this study as part of her Honor's Thesis in Sociology at Hamline University. To be eligible for participation you must be 18 years or older and write or read genderswap fanfiction now or in the past.

Procedures:

If you agree to be in this study you will be asked to take part in a one hour interview with Ms. Fielding. Interviews may be conducted over Skype or through instant messaging at your discretion. Ms. Fielding will inquire about your history with genderswap fanfiction and fanfiction in general focusing on how these genres have shaped ideas of gender and sexuality. You have the choice to allow Ms. Fielding to audiotape this interview for transcription purposes only.

Confidentiality:

1) If the interview is taped, it will be erased immediately after it is transcribed. No one other than Ms. Fielding will have access to these tapes. 2) Written documentation with your name will not be kept. 3) Written material from this research will conceal your identity. Pseudonyms will be used at your request.

Voluntary Nature of the Study:

Your decision whether or not to participate in this study will not affect your current or future relations with Hamline University or with any other organization. If you decide to participate, you are free to skip any questions which you find uncomfortable or withdraw at any time without affecting those relationships.

Contacts and Questions:

Thank you for taking the time to read this announcement! *If you are interested in participating, or if you have any questions, please contact Dianna Fielding by email at dfielding01@hamlineuniversity.edu or by U.S. mail Dianna Fielding, Hamline University, 1536 Hewitt Avenue, St. Paul MN 55104, MS 1160.* If you would like to speak with Ms. Fielding's Honor's Thesis advisor, please contact Professor Sharon Preves at spreves@hamline.edu

Research Consent Form

All information on this consent form will be treated strictly confidentially and seen solely by Dianna Fielding.

You are invited to be in a research study of adults who write or read genderswap fanfiction. Please read this form and ask any questions you may have before agreeing to participate in the study.

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Procedures:

If you agree to this study, you will be asked to:

- 1) Take part in a one hour interview about your personal experiences with genderswap fanfiction either,
 - a) Over an internet webcam service, such as Skype, or
 - b) Over an internet instant messaging service, or
 - c) In person if locality permits

You have to choice to allow Ms. Fielding to audiotape this interview for transcription purposes.

Potential Risks of Being in the Study:

- 1) This interview may address several issues related to sexual and gender identity and development of these identities; discussion of these topics could be unsettling to some participants.-

Potential Benefits of Being in the Study:

- 1) Sharing your personal experiences of writing and reading genderwap fanfiction with a researcher interested in gaining information on genderswap authors and readers may be an affirming experience.

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Consent Form

Please provide your e-signature on the form below.
Retain a copy of this form for your records.

Statement of Consent:

I have read the above information. I have asked questions and have received answers. I am eligible to participate in this study. I consent to participation in this study.

Signature: _____ Date _____

Signature of Investigator _____ Date _____

Research Consent Form Addendum

All information on this form will be treated strictly confidentially and will be seen solely by
Dianna Fielding

Your decision whether or not to use your real name in this study will not affect your current or future relations with Hamline University or with any other organization.

Please indicate whether or not you would like to use your real name in Ms. Fielding's presentations and publication of quotes from your interview by checking the appropriate line below. If you do decide to use a pseudonym, please write one in the line so that Ms. Fielding may incorporate it into her work.

I would like to use a pseudonym (false name) in Ms. Fielding's research _____
I would like my pseudonym to be: _____

I would like to use my real first name in Ms. Fielding's research _____

Statement of Consent:

I have read and understand the above information. I consent to the use of my real name in Ms. Fielding's research.

Signature _____ Date _____

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