



CANDOUR PLAYLIST

1. 'Accidentally in Love' Counting Crows

This reminds me of Ricenyn & Lilibet. Their friendship and the first nights of the festival.

2. 'Love Somebody' Maroon 5

This song reminds me of Ricenyn & Lilibet's relationship and the scenes throughout the story of them together (in the ballroom at the Festival, thinking of each other while they're apart, under their tree, and finally in Candour together).

3. 'Kingdom Dance' Disney's 'Tangled' Soundtrack

I love this as the backdrop to the Festival in Veracity. It makes me picture her cobbled streets and shops.

4. 'Firework' Katy Perry

The sentiment throughout this song is what I think so many of the characters throughout this story feel. I think of Ricenyn leaving Veracity, Alister's own battle of self hate and Lilibet's feelings that her voice is never heard. The chorus reminds me of Spence's firework display during the celebration after the final battle, and how they all eventually found their 'sparks'.

5. 'American Dream' MKTO

I picture Ricenyn's journey from Veracity and Lilibet struggling to pick up the pieces when listening to this song.

6. 'The Fighter' Gym Class Heros

This song reminds me of Ricenyn's time in Ardor and his struggles there. I also picture the bonds he builds with his squadron and how they all grow into fighters.

7. 'Holding Out for a Hero' Frou Frou

The feeling of this song is what I picture for Lilibet during the time after Ricenyn leaves. She eventually learns to find her own voice and be her own hero, but the song just makes me picture her sleepless nights about how wrong everything has become.

8. 'Hall of Fame' The Script feat. will.i.am

Another song of Ricenyn's time in Ardor and his squadron.

9. 'It's Time' Imagine Dragons

I always picture Vander whenever I hear this song, and write my own backstories for him while listening to it.

10. 'Wake Me Up' Avicii

Ricenyn's journey back to Veracity.

11. 'My Songs Know What You Did in the Dark (Light Em Up)' Fall Out Boy

This is Kharon & Alister all the way and my mental backdrop for them preparing for the final battle. The 'Light em Up' portion is an ode to Spence's contribution to the war effort.

12. 'Next to Me' Emeli Sande

I picture the celebrations after the battle during this song, and how Ricenyn can always be found right next to Lilibet. It's a nice bookend to his Festival role for her as well.

13. 'Gold' Britt Nicole

This cheesy chick song is what I picture Ricenyn & Lilibet's message to their children will always be. It's the message he learned throughout the book and also reminds me of the sheep's sparkling wool.

14. 'Safe and Sound' Capital City

I always picture the sheep dancing to this song at the end of the story.

15. 'Don't You Worry Child' Swedish House Mafia

This is the song that prompted the inspiration for my 'Reverie' story. It also is essentially the 'Epilogue' of my Candour book—Ricenyn's son asking him why his life can't be as exciting as his father's story was (and uncle Vander's). Ricenyn replies simply with the message Alister always tried to convey: Don't you worry--heaven's got a plan for you.