# **TRS Black Friday Romance Bash**

## **Swag Guidelines for Authors**

Thank you for joining **The Black Friday Romance Bash** at The Romance Studio! To keep things easy (and valuable for you), here's what we need for your swag contribution.

## **✓** What Counts as Swag

Think of it as a *bonus treat* for readers that also helps showcase you as an author. Great options include:

- A bonus scene or deleted chapter (PDF or ebook)
- A short story, novella, or prequel
- An exclusive sneak peek from an upcoming release
- A playlist, recipe, or printable (PDF/PNG/JPG)
- Character art or fun extras
- "Behind the book" essays or extras like A Day in My Hero's Life

#### **u** What to Include Inside Your Swag

Every file should double as a "calling card" for you. Please include:

- Book Buy Links (Amazon, BN, Apple, Kobo, KU, etc.)
- Author Website
- Newsletter Signup Link (great way to grow your list!)
- Social Media Links (Instagram, TikTok, FB, Threads, etc.)
- Universal Series Link (if applicable)

#### **Pranding Touches**

Make your swag look and feel like *yours*:

- Add your book cover(s) and/or author logo
- Include an **author tagline** (example: "Where Bad Boys Find Their HEA")
- Use your brand fonts/colors if possible (not required, but helps readers remember you)

### ○ Call-to-Action (CTA) Suggestions

End your swag file with a friendly note that encourages readers to connect with you:

- "Love this bonus scene? Grab the full book here: [link]"
- "Don't miss my next release join my newsletter for exclusive extras: [link]"

• "Follow me on Instagram/TikTok for more romance fun: [link]"

#### **File Requirements**

- File formats: **PDF/PNG/JPG** (universally easy for readers to open)
- Keep file sizes reasonable (under 10 MB is best)
- If linking externally (Spotify playlist, YouTube video, etc.), make sure the link is active and public

**In short:** Delight readers with a fun extra, make it *look like you*, and give them easy ways to find your books and follow you after the event.