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Editorial Review

From Publishers Weekly

Singer-songwriter McGuire adeptly infuses her debut with hardboiled sensibilities and a wide array of mythological influences, set against a moody San Francisco backdrop. October Toby Daye is half-human, half-faerie, a changeling PI with a foot in both worlds. After spending 14 years as a fish following a botched assignment, she's desperate to avoid magic, but the dying curse of a murdered elven lady forces her to investigate the killing, with the price of failure being Toby's own painful death. Toby struggles with court intrigue, magical mayhem, would-be assassins and her own past, always driven by the need to succeed and survive. Well researched, sharply told, highly atmospheric and as brutal as any pulp detective tale, this promising start to a new urban fantasy series is sure to appeal to fans of Jim Butcher or Kim Harrison. (Sept.) Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

Review

Praise for the October Daye series:

"The **top of my urban-paranormal series list!** I am so invested in the worldbuilding and the characters.... The romance is real and awesome, but doesn't overshadow the adventure." —Felicia Day

"**Everything you'd ever need in an urban fantasy.** It's a smart story, cleanly told that allows both humor and heartbreak to take their turn on stage." —Tanya Huff, author of *An Ancient Peace*

"*Rosemary and Rue* is one of the most successful blends of mystery and fantasy I've ever read—like **Raymond Chandler by way of Pamela Dean.**" —Tim Pratt, author of *Dead Reign*

"McGuire knows her fairy lore, bringing the **wonder and the danger of the fair folk to the streets of San Francisco** so vividly you can smell the rose goblins." —Jim C. Hines, author of *Libriomancer*

"**An incredible mix of action, mystery, fairy, urban fantasy, and just a smidgen of romance** artfully woven into a story impossible to put down." —*Sacramento Book Review*

"I can't believe McGuire can come up with **another adventure as riveting as this one.** But then I say that after every book in this series." —SFRevu

"McGuire has never lacked for courage in her writing.... The **phenomenally inventive October Daye series showcases her narrative daring** and ingenuity beautifully." —*RT Reviews*

"Prepare to be dazzled.... Like the best of urban fantasy, with each reveal and mystery solved, Toby's world grows ever more enticing. **As seductive as faerie itself,** this is one series I could never give up." —All Things Urban Fantasy

"These books are **like watching half a season of your favorite television series all at once....** More than anything else, it's the fun of it all that's kept me returning to McGuire's books and to this series." —SF Signal

"The plot is strong, the characterization is terrific, the tragedies hurt...and **McGuire's usual beautiful**

writing and dark humor are present and accounted for. This has become one of my favorite urban fantasy series." —Fantasy Literature

"With Ashes of Honor, McGuire has crafted **a deeply personal and intense story** that will keep you on the edge, hoping to be pushed over. In my opinion, it is, hands down, the best Toby to date." —The Ranting Dragon

"An urban fantasy detective series featuring a resourceful female detective.... [October Daye] should appeal to **fans of Jim Butcher's Dresden Files as well as the novels of Charlaine Harris, Patricia Briggs, and similar authors.**" —*Library Journal*

About the Author

Seanan McGuire. Seanan lives in a creaky old farmhouse in Northern California, which she shares with her two cats, Lilly and Alice, a vast collection of plush things and horror movies, and sufficient books to officially qualify her as a fire hazard. She has strongly-held and oft-expressed beliefs about the origins of the Black Death, the X-Men, and the need for chainsaws in daily life. She is a well known fixture of the fantasy community through her music and convention organization. She has 3 titles publishing in 2010.

Users Review

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