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*Sex and the City* meets *The Wedding Planner* in this prequel to *USA TODAY* bestselling author Lauren Layne's The Wedding Belles series about three high-powered New York City women who can plan any wedding—but their own.

Up-and-coming wedding photographer Leah McHale's career is on the rise—thanks in no small part to the Wedding Belles, the elite New York wedding planning agency that always throws top-tier business Leah's way. So when one of the Belles asks Leah to fill in at the former First Daughter's wedding, Leah is overjoyed to say yes—until she finds out who she'll be working with.

Jason Rhodes is the one man who was able to capture Leah's heart and, once he had it, promptly stepped all over it and left her broken. Now he's working side-by-side with her at the biggest wedding of the season and Leah is determined to give him the cold shoulder. Despite his persistence, she is *not* going to fall for his charming, impish ways again. Not even if he still has that killer, irresistible smile...

## From This Day Forward Details

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### Astrid - The Bookish Sweet Tooth says

4 Wedding Belles Stars

Vanilla & Spice Books

What we have here is a sweet, sexy novella by one of my favorites when I crave low angst. It's a second chance story with adorable main characters. It starts off LL's new Wedding Belles series.

Wedding photographers Jason and Leah were lovers until one day, when Jason's door opened and Leah faced a woman only in a t-shirt. Deeply hurt, she ran, never giving Jason the chance to explain.

When Leah walked away from Jason he knew that he wouldn't be able to forget this little firecracker so quickly.

"Moth, meet flame"

So when friend Alexis Morgan, owner of the wedding planers "Wedding Belles", approaches him to share photographing duties with Leah at a high profile wedding he jumps at the chance.

This was a sweet quick read and I really adored Jason. The theme here is the lack of communication when you are hurt and how you could miss out on something that could actually be really good. The resolution of the issues was a tad too quick for my taste but I can see how this is tough to do if you only have a certain number of words available. Still a lovely enjoyable story.

*ARC via Netgalley in exchange for an honest review - thank you!*

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### Alba and Her Secrets..♥ says

**4.5 'Cinnamon' Stars!**

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Lauren Layne is one of my favorite authors, especially when I want to read a light, funny and sexy love story with great characters. I am sure you can understand why I was so excited when she announced a new series that will be released during the rest of 2016.

*From This Day Forward* is the introductory novella to what will be Lauren's *Wedding Belles* series, which is perfectly described in the blurb as "Sex and the City meets The Wedding Planner" (and that's a perfect description!). This short story is about two wedding photographers (Leah and Jason) who had a very passionate affair that ended badly in the past and now they have to work together for the Wedding Belles in the former First Daughter's wedding. You can imagine what is going to happen ;)

***Nothing had burned hotter than him and Leah together.***

***And nothing had been quite so cold as the year that followed, when Leah had iced him out of her life entirely.***

***Until now.***

I am 100% sure I will love this series. Why? Well, because this novella had Layne's *Sex, Love & Stiletto* touches practically everywhere. And I FREAKING LOVED the *Stiletto* series. So yeah, as I said, I am pretty certain I will love this one as well.

Again, Lauren presents to her readers a group of fantastic characters that will steal your heart. In this case, Leah and Jason are both famous photographers with lots of emotions between them. Leah is hurt by how their relationship ended and she is decided to forget about Jason, even if she has to use sarcastic and sassy behavior towards him. And Jason is too proud to explain what really happened to Leah. What is more important, our main couple still feels the chemistry between them. And, damn, that is some hot chemistry!

***"Sweetheart, by the time I'm done with you, sleep will be the last thing on your mind. Guarantee it."***

***Their eyes met, and she saw the same confused emotions on his face that she knew he was seeing in hers. It was too much. It was everything.***

As always, I really enjoy Lauren Layne's writing style, it is fluent and super-easy to follow. Adding to that, she writes a great story with complex characters and a very emotional love story. I am always happy to find that familiarity and friendship that Lauren never forgets to give to her readers. The only thing I missed in this book, because I constantly want more, is an epilogue. Besides that, I have to say I cannot wait for the other three stories!

***"Mr. Rhodes. Are you telling me you believe in happily ever after?"***

***"From this day forward, I do, Red. I absolutely do."***

Therefore, my rating for *From This Day Forward* is 4.5 STARS because this was a great way to introduce Lauren's new series, which left me wanting to know more about the other characters that she presented in this novella. Moreover, she gave us a great story with a lovely and sexy couple! So, if you enjoy Lauren's writing or you want a fabulous narrative to read, check this one out: I highly recommend!

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**Patty Belongs To Kellan~Jesse~Lautner~Miller~Jack~Racer~Rafe~Liam~Prince  
Nicholas~Hayes~Simon~Gianluca & Archer says**

**\*\*\*\*\*3.75 STARS\*\*\*\*\***

{Netgalley ARC}

When I saw that Lauren Layne had a new series coming out, I was so excited. She is one of my go-to authors. Her stories always leave me with a smile on my face. This series will revolve around a group of women who run New York's elite wedding agency called *the Wedding Belles*. This first novella is a second chance romance story that centers on Leah McHale, a photographer that the Belles tend to hire on a frequent basis.

Leah is still licking her wounds from a relationship that went South almost a year ago. Little does she know that she is about to be forced to work closely with the man who is responsible for breaking her heart. Jason Rhodes has also been hired by the Belles to cover the same wedding. There is definitely a lot of animosity between them, more so on Leah's end. Jason, however, still has strong feelings for her and knows for a fact that Leah misjudged a situation completely but didn't clear things up for her because she basically just dismissed him and dodged all his attempts at contacting her. Jason has had a long history of being left behind and Leah's actions really hurt him deeply.

The story is pretty short but other than that, I just felt there was something missing. I really couldn't feel a connection to Leah and Jason. That being said, I'm still looking forward to the next book as I am a diehard Lauren Layne fan!!

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### **Geri Reads says**

Another great series to look forward to from Lauren Layne.

I'm a huge fan of Ms. Layne and this book, while it might not be my favorite from her, is a reminder of why I love her stories.

From This Day Forward is a second-chance romance between two people who can't seem to stop running away from each other. Yes, they had feelings and a deep attraction but at the first sign of problems, they crumbled. This book is about them trying to take a chance again and not make the same mistake twice.

This was quick and steamy, and although I liked it, I wish there was a bit more development, a bit more

depth. But I can't complain too much because it sets up the series perfectly.

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**Jen ♥ Star-Crossed Book Blog♥ says**

**From This Day Forward had everything that I have come to love from Lauren Layne. And this time she pulled it off in a Novella.** Usually I'm not a novella girl, unless it's in the middle of a series I'm obsessed with. But when it comes to her books, I have learned that if it's something I'm usually not the biggest fan of, you can bet that I will be since she wrote it! **So get ready because this series looks like it is going to be filled with friendships, laughter, sexiness and moments that will make me sigh and fall madly in love!** I can't wait to read the rest of this series and I'm keeping my fingers crossed that I get lots of peaks of Jason and Leah too!

**“Leah—”**

**Her stomach flipped a little. He'd only ever called her Leah in bed. Otherwise it was always Red . “Please don't,” she whispered.**

Ohhhh Jason and Leah. A year has passed since they roughly parted ways. Leah thought Jason was cheating on her and Jason never tried hard enough to talk with Leah after what happened. But now they are going to spend the weekend working around each other photographing the previous President's daughter's wedding. And the sexual tension is running high!

**The first time Leah had seen Jason Rhodes, she'd lost a little part of her soul.**

**Or at the very least, a little part of her dignity.**

**Never in her thirty-one years had she encountered a man who'd been able to turn her on just by looking at her.**

**Leah and Jason are the type of couple that radiates sexual tension and electricity. When they're near each other they have this pull towards one another that is blatantly obvious to everyone! And they can't even try and ignore it!** But even though they're still jaded from their past it doesn't put a damper on their chemistry. I had so much fun watching Jason try to seduce Leah. \*fans face\* **Jason is an alpha male who is extremely charismatic and I fell hard for him.** Especially since he could be thoughtful at just the right moment. He was definitely sigh worthy.

**“Never mind,” she muttered. “I can’t talk to you when you’re like this.”**

**“Charming?” he asked.**

**“Presumptuous,” she corrected. “Contrary to the delusions in your head, you’re not every woman’s fantasy.”**

**“I never wanted to be every woman’s fantasy. Just yours.”**

**Leah froze at the unexpected seriousness in his voice. “Jason . . .”**

Now I'm not sure if we were supposed to or not, but **I figured out the twist near the beginning of the story. That definitely didn't bother me**, because I patiently waited to see if my guess panned out. And I was so happy when it did!

**From This Day Forward** was a story that quickly pulled me in and I easily found myself connecting with the characters. The amount of emotions packed into this novella was beyond fabulous! My only wish was that their story was a little longer. I know, I know, this is a novella. But she created these characters that were so wonderful that it pained me to not read a full length novel with them. Jason had such a huge back story that I would have loved to dive into more and I wish I could have had some flashbacks to their past *but* you can totally ignore my whining because this was so well written that I just wanted more. I'm greedy like that! Now I can't wait to see them in the future books in this series! I hope you enjoy meeting Leah and Jason too!

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**Lana ✶Dirty Girl Romance✶ says**

**4 STARS**

**Contrary to the delusions in your head, you're not every woman's fantasy."**  
**"I never wanted to be every woman's fantasy. Just yours."**

I have no idea why I thought this novella would be a prequel, so don't ask me. But boy was I pleasantly surprised that it turned out to be a fully finished romance with a HEA that perfectly kicked off a series that I already know I'm going to love! It's rare that I'd read a novella that's under 100 pages that would leave me this satisfied and have such fantastic character development, and I'm not surprised that it came from the fabulous Lauren Layne

**Nothing had burned hotter than him and Leah together. And nothing had been quite so cold as the year that followed, when Leah had iced him out of her life entirely.**

From This Day Forward is a sweet and sexy second chance romance. Leah McHale and Jason Rhodes had a blossoming relationship a year ago, until Jason broke Leah's heart and caused her to run.

**Her heart had gotten tangled in it, and what had started as a dangerous knot had turned into a noose that had nearly strangled her. It had taken a year to get over him.**

Leah and Jason are both photographers, and when a mutual friend that owns a successful wedding planning business gives them the chance of a lifetime to work the wedding of the daughter of the former president of the US, neither can turn it down...even if it means working together.

Neither Jason nor Leah ever got over the other, but a misunderstanding and stubbornness on both their sides stops them from confronting their issues. Typically this would bother me a lot in books, but because of the short length of this one, it worked. I absolutely loved Jason, and Leah was a fantastic heroine as well. The

sparks between them are instant and only burn hotter as the story progresses.

**Sweetheart, by the time I'm done with you, sleep will be the last thing on your mind. I guarantee it."**

This was the perfect little taste to set the tone of the series and I loved it to pieces. It had just the right amount of romance, steam and story to make for one ridiculously satisfying read. It introduced a few secondary characters that I can't wait to get the story for and I simply can't wait for the rest of this series.

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**Jen says**

**4 Stars**

Photographers Leah and Jason have a history. A misunderstanding a year ago managed to send Leah running as fast as she could away from her relationship with Jason and he's never bothered to explain what appeared to be a compromising situation to Leah. Fast forward a year and the society wedding of the year has brought these two crazy kids back into each others orbit.

*From This Day Forward* is the short and sweet intro novella to the upcoming *The Wedding Belles* series. And when I say novella, I mean a couple of hours of reading goodness. Because of the length, things like character development and relationship building never really enter the equation. If you can get past those issues, this is a fun, light and sexy start to what looks to be a promising new series.

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**Chelsea ❤️Peril Please❤️ says**

It physically hurts me to rate Lauren Layne like this, but...when a book makes you feel like this:

it's probably not a good thing. I love you Lauren, really, you are my author soul mate! But even you can't conquer my hate of novellas. **Too little story, not enough background**, and a waste of my time.

Book one is already better 5 pages in than this whole novella, so it's clearly just a case of my not liking novellas. \*shrugs\* I'll know better next time.

Sorry. \*hides\*

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### **Irene says**

4 stars

From This Day Forward is a short novella introducing us to The Wedding Belles series which follows a group of female wedding planners living in New York.

This was a sweet, quick, fun, emotional and heartwarming second chance love story.

I enjoyed watching Jason and Leah reconnect and try to work together while still having unresolved feelings after their breakup 12 months ago.

Their breakup was a case of jumping to conclusions and being too stubborn to hear the other person out.

Both Leah and Jason were likable, passionate, smart people who needed to learn to trust and communicate if they were ever going to have a strong and lasting relationship.

I'm a huge fan of Lauren Layne and her writing, once again she's given us strong characters, a storyline that keeps you turning the pages and a need for the following books to hurry up already.

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\*I was given an advance copy in exchange for my honest thoughts\*

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### **Allison ♥?Will Never Conquer Her TBR♥? says**

**From This Day Forward** is an introductory novella in the new *Wedding Belles* series by **Lauren Layne**.

I'm under the impression each book will feature a different couple and can be read as a standalone. In this first book, we meet two wedding photographers, Jason and Leah. They have a history and an ugly break-up a year ago. So when they're thrown together last minute to do the ex-President daughter's wedding, sparks (and almost fists) fly.

**Jason Rhodes** has a reputation of being a man-whore but that was his past. After a summer-long "fling" with Leah, she was a deal changer. Never having anyone have faith in him, always being let down by parents, foster parents, and just judgment against him, he never dreamed Leah would be another person added to the list of people to let him down...no trust. A year later, here she is and his heart is still invested against its better judgment.

**Leah McHale** can't believe she's stuck doing the wedding with the guy that broke her heart last year. She knew of his rakish ways but brain be damned, her hormones took over until he proved a leopard never changes its spots...once a rake always a rake.

And so their second-chance story begins....

This book was an easy, lighthearted second chance romance. Their backstory borne from lack of communication, mistrust and false impressions. Can they get that second chance, build trust, and clear up the mess they made and never cleaned up?

This book was fairly steamy for a **Lauren Layne** book- which was a nice bonus. Jason was rather dominant and controlling in the bedroom which was also a bonus! Short and sweet but not lacking in plot or depth, **From This Day Forward** is a great start in this new series based around a group of wedding planners, the *Wedding Belles*.

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**Lyndy Ann ? says**

**From This Day Forward is a wonderful taster for Lauren Layne's new series The Wedding Belles.**

This is a sexy love story a second chance for Leah and Jason, these two are sexy and funny together I loved everything about this and I hope we get more of these two in the upcoming series.

This is a romantic comedy.

**When I started reading Lauren Layne nearly two years ago I thought her books were a little tame when it came to the sexy scenes but let me tell you Lauren has certainly evolved with time her latest books have all been sexy, steamy and HOT and this one is no exception. She has become one of my favourite authors.**

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## **Wendy'sThoughts says**

### **3 Sometimes a Second Chance Stars**

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I love Lauren Layne. I love her style and creativity. In this novella prequel, she does all of the things required to set up her new series, **The Wedding Belles**. We have a bit of insight to the main partners of this wedding planning company and a taste of an up and coming assistant.

We also have the main story line of two extremely talented photographers used by this company. At one time these two were an item... hot and heavy for about a month or two. Each have trust issues and insecurities. A situation happened where both felt betrayed... but for the wrong reasons...and both never went deep enough to address what had happened, leaving hurt and heartbreak. From that point forward, they did not work together if at all possible.

Now a crisis of major wedding proportions has happened and our BFF wedding planner is asking for our gal to work only the most important wedding of the country. Should be no problem...except her ex is also needed for this affair...

As we know, what happens at a wedding should stay at a wedding...yet these two still have strong feelings for each other. We are the ones who get to see if either of them can overcome the past to have a future.

This had all of the charm one expects from Layne, yet for me, the whole relationship of the main characters didn't work. The egos of both played a huge roll in why they broke up in the first place and the habit of her as a runner and him digging in as stubborn was not something easy to accept. Again, that was my take on this... as there will be others who would be fine with all of the issues.

This looks like a fun new idea and series, I am sure it will do well... After All... It is Layne.

*A gifted copy was provided by author/publisher for an honest review.*

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## **Claire Robinson says**

### **4 - "You're a runner." Stars!**

Lauren Layne, introduces us to her new *Wedding Belles* series with a really enjoyable novella. Second chance love is a tried and tested favourite, and with Laurens inimitable style, Leah and Jason's reconnection was a couple of hours of pure reading pleasure.

Having split from Jason twelve months previously, the last thing Leah wants to do is spend three days in close quarters with him photographing the society wedding of the year. But this is an opportunity that she just can't pass up, and its only three days she can keep her head around him for that long surely!

***He was the helpless moth to her curvy, prickly hot-as-sin flame... It was too bad the feeling was not mutual.***

There was huge potential for this to go too far too fast in respect of the push and pull between these two. Leah is hurt by what she perceived as Jason's infidelity back when they were together, and every time he thinks he is getting close to her again, she pushes him away. I think the tag word for this one is '*appearances can and often are deceiving*' in that everything Leah thinks she knows is completely wrong and it ultimately boils down to lack of communication on both their parts. But the chemistry between them is palpable and it keeps everything moving along at a steady pace in respect of the relationship and the overall story-line.

**"Give me tonight."**

*From This Day Forward* was the perfect introduction to this series for me, we get to meet the people responsible for the running of *Wedding Belles* around a really enjoyable reconnecting love story. I hope to see more from Leah and Jason as the rest of the books progress. Looks like Lauren Layne may be onto another winning formula with this series, and I cannot wait to get my hands on *To Have and To Hold* when it releases in July!

**"I never wanted to be every woman's fantasy... Just yours."**

ARC generously provided via Netgalley, and it was a pleasure to provide the above honest review.

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### **Megan Johnson says**

I read this 100 page story in one sitting. It's an easy to read story of two wedding photographers with a past that just won't leave them alone. When they are forced to work together on a high profile wedding, they realize that maybe things aren't meant to be done between the two of them.

As far as romances go, this one was cute. Nothing too deep or special, but an endearing story nonetheless. When a story is so short, it can be hard to get to know the characters. I felt like there were entire back stories that I didn't really get, but I still was amused and entertained.

**What did I think?:** I hadn't read anything by this author before, but had read a few reviews raving about her work. I'm not gonna rush out and get other stuff by her, but she's on my radar now.

**Who should read it?:** If you're looking for an easy to read story of this sort, I recommend picking it up. It's a great read for a rainy Friday night or Saturday morning.

\*I was provided with a copy of this book in order to conduct this honest review.\*

**Denisa says**

Well, what can I say. It was cute.

So, there was nothing special. I didn't really feel the chemistry of the characters and I didn't have time to get into the story. It would have been better if the story was longer and I'm starting to think that it's impossible to make a great book in under 200 pages.

Still, it was a nice story, a kind of junk food that you eat when you're not in the mood for actual food or too lazy to cook something really good.

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