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The tenth offering in Melanie Jackson's bestselling Chloe Boston Mystery Series is a short story of approximately 19k words.

"Melanie Jackson is a talent to watch."

--WritersWrite.com

It's Halloween and this year Chloe is certain she'll win the pumpkin carving contest, but the night before the competition someone uses Mr. Jackman's giant pumpkin to squash an unpopular dentist. This is publicity the town doesn't need. Can Chloe solve the pumpkin caper and save Halloween?

If you are a fan of Nancy Pickard or Susan Conant you are going to love the cozy hometown feel of Moving Violation.

REVIEWS

"I was delighted to find Chloe Boston and all of Melanie Jackson's series."

--Connie Shelton, author of the Charlie Parker and Samantha Sweet Mystery Series

"I fell in love with Chloe Boston; she's an enormous spirit in a tiny package, and endearingly human. Go Chloe!"

--Lisa Cach, author of "Wake Unto Me"

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"A wickedly sexy tale!"

--Christine Feehan, New York Times Bestselling Author (on The Selkie)

"... delivers sizzling romance and ghoulish thrills at a breathtaking clip."

--Publishers Weekly (on Traveler)

"Readers of Laurel K. Hamilton will enjoy this complex tale..."

--Booklist (on Still Life)

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Melanie Jackson is the award-winning author of more than fifty novels, novellas and poems published in various languages. She lives with her writer husband, her bossy cat and spoiled dog in the Sierra foothills where it is almost impossible to grow pumpkins (or anything else the deer like). Besides gardening, she is involved with animal charities.

Three times nominated for RT's Reviewers' Choice Award.

Twice nominated for RT's Lifetime Achievement Award.

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Mascanlon says

A quick, charming read, more like a novelette. This is book 10 in the Chloe Boston series.

Colleen Ray says

This was an entertaining read; it was a free download from Amazon. I didn't realize it was #10 in a series, and some of the details would have made more sense had I read the other 9 first. this novella was good enough that I'll be looking for other work from this author.

Lindsay Boitnott says

The Great Pumpkin Caper is the 10th book in the Chloe Boston mystery series and the last Chloe Boston novel I will be reviewing this month.

This story starts less than a month after the events in Haunted, and Chloe is back at work part-time. She still does not know what she wants to do with her life but she has begun looking for other activities to occupy her time such as taking online classes to get her private investigator license and participating in her Lit-Wit group. She has also taken to growing gigantic pumpkins and developing her own style of squash art. Until, the local dentist is crushed under one of the massive pumpkins and Chloe is pulled in to another murder investigation.

This is my least favorite of the three Halloween themed Chloe Boston mysteries. Now, this doesn't mean it is bad because in actuality the story is quite good. It is just the majority of the story-line is dedicated to Chloe getting her life together instead of the actual murder mystery. Chloe felt lost during Haunted, and she is still somewhat frustrated about her future during The Great Pumpkin Caper. There are many sections dedicated to psycho-analyzing human violence and Chloe struggling to find the joy in small things.

It is still a nice October read and well worth it if you are interested in growing and carving pumpkins. Just expect to read more about 'the questions of life' instead of a daring murder mystery. Let me know what you think!

Lindsay

Kathy Kirkland says

Another winning cozy mystery in this series! Perfect for putting anyone in the Halloween mood, with a bit murder and mayhem thrown in for a bit of spice!

Ellen White says

Carving the best pumpkin, is the prize she had her eye. Competition came from Mr. Jackman, who had just bought a lot of new tools, would be the most creative, of the others who entered. Pumpkin used to kill the dentist, was not on the agenda for Chloe, who got a call to help solve. When facing a competition, it hard for her to wrap her head around anything else. Could she do both and figure it out. Short, a good plot with mayhem and murder.

Cheryl says

This is the 10th in the series. Chloe is getting ready for the pumpkin contest at Halloween. First they judge the size and shape and while not coming in first for that her friend did. She is more interested in winning the carving contest. Before they can do that, there is a murder and the chief calls her to help. She has a hard time getting her head in the game but they do have the contest and she does figure it out. Love the Chloe series.

Melissa says

Chloe Boston book 10 One story, No add-ons!!

The Chloe I love! Mystery, atmosphere and real people with messy feelings, quirks and heartbreak. I got some chuckles, but my heart got a workout with this one. I just found out there are BUNDLES!! 3 books in one! Good, these are too short! Off to my first bundle of books 11 - 13!
