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Jasmine's sixteenth birthday was the worst ever...

All in one day, her dad died, she met a demon, and her mother rejected her existence forever. After all, the demon who killed her dad was there to take her, and all because of her stupid powers—the ability to conjure blue flames.

Two years later, she's happy. But happy never lasts...

After moving to Idaho to live with her grandparents, Jasmine has a new life. Almost nobody knows about her powers, and she's just a normal teenager with normal problems. Then comes her eighteenth birthday—and the earthquake that changes her world forever.

An army of demons rise from Hell. And Jasmine is right in the middle of the battle...

When demons claw their way to Earth, Jasmine is surrounded by hundreds of fire-eyed beasts. Worse, she is captured by a big-shot demon named Bael. He's a tricky foe with a chip on his shoulder—and the desire to make Jasmine use her powers for evil.

Amon is a fallen angel with an attitude—and everything to lose.

Successfully escaping the underworld undetected, Amon is on a quest to regain God's grace when he rescues Jasmine from the clutches of a particularly nasty demon he knows all too well. The attraction between him and the not-entirely-human captive is instantaneous. Heavenly sparks fly, but ideas of romance will have to wait. First they have to stop the demon race from wiping out the mortal realm. Humanity's fate rests in their hands.

Can two fallen angels rise above the flames to ensure a future for mankind? Or will Jasmine and Amon's souls be bound together—in hell?

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From Reader Review Above The Flames for online ebook

N.N. Light says

Poor Jasmine is having the worst 16th birthday ever. Her dad dies, her mother disowns her, she discovers she has powers and a demon tries to take her. She escapes and moves to Idaho. But on her 18th birthday, an army of demons descend on Earth. Suddenly Jasmine needs to decide whether to embrace her powers and destroy evil or join them.

I wasn't sure if I was going to like this paranormal romance story because of all that Jasmine goes through but the author does a good job balancing the good with the bad. I connected with Jasmine immediately and simply fell into the story. A little slow in places but overall a superb story.

Reviewed by: Mrs. N

My Rating: 4 stars

Jessica Calla says

Above The Flames has a great heroine who's smart, snarky, and brave. If you're looking for a strong but feminine MC, you'll love Jasmine! You'll also swoon over fallen angel Amon. Highly recommend and can't wait for Book 2!

Mischenko says

To see my Q&A with Cassandra Fear, enter the giveaway, and read my reviews for two of her books, please visit readrantrockandroll.com

I wasn't sure what to expect because I haven't read many paranormal books and certainly haven't read a story including angels and demons with this plot, so it was a fun read and different from what I'm used to.

I was pulled into the story right away. Jasmine is a 16-year-old teenager dealing with a mother who simply doesn't care about her. An unforeseen wicked event causes an accident with her father and because her mother doesn't want her, she's relocated with her grandparents. Ma and Pa love her so much and all seems to be going well with Jasmine as she lives a fairly normal life with her boyfriend Beau, until demons appear and hunt her down. They've been released and plan to take over all mankind. Jasmine doesn't know it yet, but she's going to have to figure out how to control her powers while she trains to defend against the evil demons.

I really liked the characters in the book. Jasmine, Beau, and Amon were my favorites. Jasmine is very strong and confident and the majority of the time she wasn't afraid despite all the evil events unfolding around her. At times I didn't like the way Jasmine treated Beau as their relationship started to change due to Amon's introduction, but everything came together eventually. It wasn't a predictable read! It was difficult to tell what decisions the characters would make and there were times I couldn't differentiate between friends and

foes as more characters are introduced. I don't want to include a bunch of spoilers, so for the most part, I enjoyed the book. I felt like there were some slow parts with mainly the beginning and the ending remaining my favorites. The ending was a complete total shocker.

I love the way Cassandra Fear Writes. I found it very easy to read from cover to cover. I would've liked a tad more romance and maybe faster pacing, but understand this is YA. I'm looking forward to the next book!

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Medavis66 says

Very powerful book. Moving at times. I found love, betrayal, jealousy, magic, angels, demons, and all sorts of battles with good vs evil going on in these pages. At times I had to look back to see who was who, because some names were similar, but wow. I was up until 5am finishing this one from 44% to the end. I just couldn't put it away until I knew what happened. Holy Buckets was it earth-shattering. I loved many of the characters, especially the main two. Jazzy was kick-butt and Amon was a fallen angel worth swooning over. He was sad chivalry was dead, according to her, so he was determined to bring it back. I am pumped over reading more...please tell me there is more...

ARC provided in exchange for honest review.

Veronique Poirier says

WOW... just.. WOW!!

This book was awesome!! This is so my type of read! It kept me on edge.. cried like a baby..lol I smiled..

I want me some of Amon. :P

Thanks for writing! <3

*** I rate books by enjoyment, not quality of writing. ***

H.L. says

So I swore when writing book reviews to never give spoilers... this is the second time that I have hated myself for making that rule.

Above the flame, is the first fantasy novel of the series, with three out of this world main characters that will leave you praying for pleasant dreams! The entire time I was biting my nails and flicking to the next page trying to read as much as I could as fast as I could!

The lightheartedness of the fantasy and intensity when it comes to the emotions made this my favorite book to read this year! I am beyond excited that the next book will be coming out later this year (April 18th) and will continue to wait with inoculation on how she can go from here!

Cassandra has made it to my authors must watch for list and I am so glad that I got the opportunity to read

this impeccable book!

This review will also be posted to (www.heatherbloggs.com)

David R. Dowdy says

Well written and easy to read, this was my second fantasy book in two weeks! I've learned much about demons, angels, and humans in a thrilling dystopian plot.

Loved the characters (strong female protagonist) and the dialog (a bit worn and cute at times). As for the genre, I would also classify it as Romance, not a typical choice for me :).

Thanks to wonderful Mischenko, who blogs on <https://readrantrockandroll.com/>, for hosting Cassandra Fear ([https://readrantrockandroll.com/2017/...](https://readrantrockandroll.com/2017/)). I won the e-book though I purchased the paperback before winning.

Looking forward to reading the next two parts of this trilogy.

Amber says

I received a free ARC copy of this book in exchange for an honest Review Via Lovers of the Paranormal book group on goodreads.

There is a war brewing between angels and demons, and the angel blessed must help the angels fight back. If you are looking for an action packed book with angels, demons, and humans with angel powers than this book is for you. However due to extreme violence I would recommend this book to more mature readers.

I really enjoyed this book. From page one I was yanked into one heck of a story. This story never lost my attention until my eyes finally fell closed because of sleep deprivation; I would have fought to read more and keep my eyes open had my boyfriend not pestered me to come to bed. I did dream about the book, and woke up the next day after falling asleep at 6 am just trying to finish the last 40 pages; I picked up the book excited to finish the book, and I can't wait for book 2.

I am very happy to come across this book, because it was very unpredictable, and that made it more exciting, and had me flip page after page just wanting more. This book had great character and world building. I was able to attach myself to the characters and fall into the book feeling everything they felt. I felt like I was a part of the book. When there was fighting against demons I felt I was one of them fighting back with them. It is safe to say this book was pretty amazing.

Cristina says

Review posted also on [Crazy Beautiful Reads](http://CrazyBeautifulReads)

~ Received an e-copy from the author in exchange for an honest review~

Such a fan-freaking-tastic read !!

This was one of the most funniest paranormal books I have ever read - or at least read so far. It doesn't compare to anything at all. It is very unique and it draws you in from the very first page. To be honest, I couldn't turn off my kindle not even for a second because I wanted so much to know what was about to happen next in the book.

Above the flames is a very light fantasy read - even though, from the half of it and until the end, you'll have to pray for not getting nightmares or anything - that depicts the eternal fight between good and evil with some very funny characters and lines. The characters are well developed, strongly willed and ready to stand up and fight for saving the Earth from evil.

Since I brought it up, I must admit that, I mostly love the main heroine with whom the book starts, that is Jasmine - or Jazzy, how she's being referred to by her friends. From the first page she stands up to protect her parents from the attack of one of Lucifer's minions - Bael. She is one of the bravest and determined female characters I've met in this book. From the moment her Mom learns the truth about what she really is and why her husband/dad was murdered, Jazzy is forced to leave the house she's grown up in and move in with her grandparents - Ma and Pa - and start over in another city.

Fallen Angels...Ahh and here's one that stood up in my eyes and gave me ideas from the moment he came into focus. Amon, one of the four fallen angels, that's been named to train the Angel Blessed, not that he's already a fallen one but he is about to fall for Jasmine, too.

While planning their strategy to save the world, Lucifer's minions, atop with Bael, massacre a whole town in order to free their boss. In the process, Jazzy, loses her beloved grandparents and makes a promise to destroy each and every demon, but first she has to get to safety.

Who would've guessed that some demons can be either so freaking stupid or so amazingly soft. If you read the book you'll see what I'm talking about here.

When's the sequel coming out ? I want it now !!! I need to know how this ends. I have so many questions that need to be answered !!!!

Dianne says

Jasmine clearly wasn't born under a lucky star, but she could conjure blue flames from her hands and because of that, her sixteenth birthday will forever go down as one of the most painful days of her life. The day she lost her father to death, was the day she lost her mother to an emotional death, it was also the day the demons came for her, all because of the blue flames.

Clueless to their origin, she kept her "gifts" secret in her new life with her grandparents, far from the mother who didn't want her, while trying to live a normal teen's life, with normal teen problems. That was soon to change on her eighteenth birthday when the gates of Hell unleashed a legion of demons to hunt her down, all

because one monster from the underworld wanted her as his evil minion.

Demons weren't the only creatures to leave Hell, a fallen angel, desperate to regain God's good graces will fight to keep Jasmine safe. Amon is a force to be reckoned with, powerful, ancient and filled with attitude and he is falling for Jasmine, the clueless pawn in another battle between good and evil. What is Jasmine? Clearly not entirely human, clearly unprepared for what Fate has decreed for her and clearly caught in a romantic triangle between the human boy who would do anything for her and this mysterious fallen angel. The mortal world is on the brink of destruction and devastation as the demons gain strength with each kill and it is up to a ragtag group of unlikely heroes to save the world from torment.

Heroes will die, friends will betray, and hearts will break in Cassandra Fear's **Above the Flames** as the battle to possess the very soul of Earth is fought. Cassandra Fear has packed her world building, her action and an amazing plot into book one of what looks to be a fantastic new series. The angst takes a back seat to the bravery and determination of one girl who finally learns why she is different and attempts to overcome the pain of loss while learning the power she possesses and why. Fascinating from start to finish, a touch of romance, a lot of demons and someone will have Hell to pay, if Jasmine has anything to say about it. Seriously, have you ever been on the receiving end of a strong willed teen?

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My Rating: 4.5 Stars

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Shanny says

I really enjoyed Above the Flames! I love stories about angels and demons, so I really liked that whole aspect of the book. The demons have won the war in Heaven, and have escaped from Hell, and are now killing humans to take over the world. I enjoyed all the action in Above the Flames, but I do feel like the same thing kept happening over and over. Good guys would be found by some demons, there would be some fighting, but both would end up getting free, so nothing really came of it, and this happens a few times, so I was ready for the story to progress a little faster than it did. There are mainly 3 POV's in this book, Jasmine (lead female), Amon (lead male), and Bael (Head Demon). I liked that we get a glimpse into the demons side of things, and I getting the female and male perspective is great too. I think I would have liked Above the Flames to be a little bit more serious, everything and everyone was sort of comical, but there are some serious things going on, and I felt I would've preferred a bit more heart and soul to the story. Humor is good, but a little less would have been better; especially from the demons.

Jasmine is a human, who has a special power, and when she was 16, her father was killed trying to protect her from a demon, who was suppose to bring Jasmine back to Hell. Jasmine escapes, and moves in with her

grandparents because her mom is horrible to Jasmine. The story jumps ahead 2 years, and Jasmine has kept a tight lock on her powers because she is afraid of what they might do. I didn't really connect with Jasmine, she kind of got on my nerves. She did a lot of things without thinking them through, so she gets into problems all the time, and I found her a bit whiny and rude at times. I also don't like how she acts with the Amon and Beau situation, Beau is Jasmine's boyfriend, but Jasmine also has an attraction towards Amon. I actually don't mind love triangles, but I don't like that whole situation in this book, it was one of the low points for me, I thought it could've been handled differently by the author, and because of that situation, I felt any romance was seriously lacking. The chemistry needed some pumping up! I still was rooting for Jasmine though, and I'm hoping it's the type of situation where she will grow as the series progresses. Jasmine meets up with Amon when she and Beau rescue him and his other fallen angel friends from some demons. I didn't like how the fallen angels act, everyone in this book acts really immaturely, but I expect more out of the angels since they've been around for a lot longer, but they act like teenagers too; especially Lamia, I couldn't stand her. So, Jasmine and Amon and their groups decide to ban together to help save the world from demons.

The book does end without much resolution, which I'm not mad at because I was entertained through the whole story. I'm looking forward to the next book!

DaughterOfHades says

It's 3 in the morning and I can't sleep because I want to read more..

First of all I would like to thank the author for a free copy of the book in exchange for an honest review! This book is fan-freaking-tastic!

I am going to review it by comparing the positives and negatives..

Why do I love this book?

? Jasmine: She was great! At first I expected her to be just like any other female protagonist.. putting others before her but no! She isn't one of them. She's strong, caring, emotional, reckless and impulsive but most importantly.. she was real. It was a fresh feeling reading about such a character. Did I mention she's strong? Not just her powers.. but mentally? Respect! This girl here is a fighter! I loved how she stayed strong when you know who did you know what to her! (sorry! trying to be spoiler free here)

? Beau: Can I get a friend like Beau please? He is just.. I love what he and Jasmine have and it was really nice to see them having each others backs. But what happened when there were just about 20 pages left.. Why did you do that Cassandra? But you did good. The way you ended it all was good.

?The fallen Angels: They are freaking cool. Amon and Lam and Azzy are nice and all but Caim takes the cake. I liked him better than the others. I get it that Amon was the main guy but can we get more Caim please?

?Bael: Call me crazy, call me psychotic but I really loved the way his character was written. He was exactly what a demon should be like. He kinda reminded me of Azazel from Supernatural though. And since we are on that topic that.. Let me put it out there that the main reason I fell in love with this book instantly was because it felt like I was watching a crossover episode between "Supernatural" and "The messengers". And to me, that's heaven right there.

and my next favorite from the book is..

?Gemma: She was straight up adorable. She was sweet, funny and caring and all but she wasn't written in a way where we would think less of her. She was strong and honest? pretty sure all of the others would've been dead if it wasn't for her and Azzy.

And now for the best..

??? Cole: If the hearts didn't give it away.. I love love love Cole. Right from the moment he entered the

story! I don't know why but I was pretty sure I'd end up loving him and that's exactly what happened. Before I start writing pages about him..

Why I did not like the book?

There aren't many drawbacks to this book but I do have a couple of complaints.

¤ Jasmine: She could've been a little less bitch-y if you ask me. Although she wasn't too bad.. She was kinda mean at times. But hey ! nobody's perfect and I get it.

¤ Cole: No! I don't have a problem with him. The problem that I have is that there wasn't enough Cole in the book. I need me some Cole.

¤ The biggest problem that I had with this book? Why did it have to end???? Like why? Give me more!!!!!! It was such a good book and was fast paced and was so full of action with no dull moments. I didn't even realize when I got to the end and I was freaking out when I realized there were only 30 more pages left!

On the whole.. I absolutely love this book and I can't wait to get my hands on the others.

And if any fan of supernatural paranormal stuff is reading this.. you will love it! Give it a try!!

Elise Edmonds says

A fun paranormal romance where a feisty heroine and her long-suffering boyfriend, together with a band of fallen angels, join forces to stop evil demons from Hell taking over the earth.

Katelyn Barbee says

Jasmine's life is turned upside down on her 16th birthday when her father is killed by a demon and her mother abandons her emotionally and all because of her ability to conjure blue flames.

Two years later, Jasmine has a steady boyfriend and lives with her grandparents in their small, rural town. Everything is going well, until the demons are freed from Hell, along with several fallen angels who she teams up with in an effort to keep the world from being destroyed.

That's the exciting premise of Cassandra Fear's premiere novel, *Above the Flames*, and boy does it deliver.

One of my favorite aspects of this novel was all of the abilities. Jasmine's in particular I thought was well done and I always enjoyed reading how she dealt with it. Her struggle to control and contain it added some depth to Jasmine's character.

I also found Amon to be a particularly interesting character. For a fallen angel who's been locked up in Hell for so long, you'd expect him to be very broody and dark, but surprisingly, he's not. He quickly became one of my favorites.

Bael, the main villain of the book, was great. I loved how much he enjoyed being evil and took pleasure in it. He knows what he is and has no problem with it. In fact, he enjoys it, and it made him fun to read.

Overall, I think this is an excellent first novel and I look forward to reading more from the author. There's plenty of action, a bit of romance, and enough humor to keep readers, especially teens who enjoy YA paranormal novels, to keep them turning the pages and devouring this story.

Coco.V says

?FREE on Amazon today (7/13/2018)!?

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