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In the second Rogue Vows novella, the town of Solitude, Oregon, will learn that good TV makes for terrible reality.

When Chase Ryan, a popular crime TV star, turns up dead, the entire town of Solitude is shaken—but the show isn't over yet. The confessed murderer is violently abducted on the way to the county jail, and now Detective Seth Harding must find both the killer and the kidnapper.

Seth's investigation unearths unsavory secrets from the celebrity's life that incriminate a cast of suspects: Chase's family, his sleazy agent, and a fanatical stalker with a troubled thirteen-year-old daughter. When that same teen disappears from her temporary foster home, Seth's wife, social worker Carly Taylor, is drawn into the search.

Dodging paparazzi and peril, Seth and Carly track the girl. But as they get closer to uncovering the truth, the abductor sets the stage for a chilling finale...

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Jennifer says

2.5 stars.

This novella's mystery/suspense aspect was stronger than most of the other installments in this series. Now that the angst between the MCs, Carly and Seth, is over, I'm enjoying reading about their relationship a lot. The resolution of the Rogue Vows was surprising and a bit sad. I'm looking forward to reading the next novellas, Rogue Justice.

Bea Charmed says

I enjoy the Rogue River books by these two ladies. They have strong and interesting characters, a small town setting on the West Coast, and mysteries that keep me guessing. And let's not forget the romantic relationships, sweet, stormy, and sexy.

"Burned by Her Devotion" starts where "Death and Her Devotion" left off. We have more than one villain this time around, and while one was obvious, the other was less so. There was one character who completely fooled me; I sure didn't see it coming. There were some tense moments, some heartfelt moments, a little humor, and some romance. Seth and Carly have been working on patching up their marriage and I like that we see the hard work that goes into making a marriage work. It's not all sunshine and rainbows but there's hope and love and persistence.

Shay Williams says

Another novella set in Solitude, BURNED BY HER DEVOTION follows up on the events that start in DEATH AND HER DEVOTION when Chase Ryan is killed so if you haven't read DEATH AND HER DEVOTION yet I would suggest that you do so first.

This novella focuses on Seth and his wife Carly as they are trying to track down a missing girl and a missing murderer. It's fast paced and the reader never knows what is right around the corner. I also really enjoyed getting the chance to know Seth and Carly better.

I do recommend this novella to anyone that has been following the Solitude saga and if you aren't, well why not? I have found this entire saga to be really enjoyable reads. There isn't any graphic sex so readers of all ages would be entertained.

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Ruthie Taylor says

~~I received a free copy of this book to read and review for Wicked Reads ~~

This is the second book in the series - and you definitely need to read book 1 first, as the story is ongoing. I am assuming that you have in my review.

Now that Zane and Stevie are on their honeymoon, Seth takes over the transfer of Chase's murderer from their jail. The crazy is continuing in Solitude, and when he is involved in a crash, he is lucky to survive. We learn about how he and his wife Carly have been working hard to get their marriage back on track, which invests us in both their futures. That is quite an ask as things get more and more dangerous for both of them.

If you like a mystery, with a touch of crazy, and a strong relationship, then should enjoy this.

Jane Blythe says

Although not a typical fan of novellas, since I love all the other books from this author I decided to check this out too, so of course I had to go back and read all the other novellas in the series first so I was up to date! Read this book in one short sitting as it was engaging and a nice easy read!

Great mystery - check!

Suspense - check!

Thrills - check!

Romance - check!

Character development - check!

Satisfying ending - check!

What more could I ask for?

So glad I decided to give this series of novellas a read, I was not at all disappointed as I often am with novellas!

Thanks to Netgalley for an advanced reader copy of this book for an honest review

Terri ♥ (aka Mrs. Christian Grey) says

It was an entertaining read. I love this world and these characters. I wasn't overly surprised at the outcome. There were times I wanted to shake the characters that they could figure out where certain people had gone. And there was a plot hole because the author said at one point all the characters had gotten out their cars,

only to have one exit again even though they technically had gotten back in the car. But still, it was short and held my attention. And the narration was great.

John W. says

Melinda Leigh's **BURNED BY HER DEVOTION** is a gripping story affecting the citizens of Solitude, Oregon as they are still dealing with the aftermath of the murder of TV star Chase Ryan. Her storyline touches on manipulation, attempted murder, arson, and kidnapping. Leigh's protagonists Seth Harding and his wife find themselves in the middle of unfolding events including ongoing investigations of the murdered TV star, the destruction of The Grange by an arsonist, two attempted murders and deranged stalker.

Leigh's storyline continues moving at lightning speed when a semi-truck runs the two patrol cars transporting the confessed murderer of TV star Chase Ryan off the road. Seth determines the attack on both cars was intentional in order to kidnap the killer. The town of Solitude is still coming to terms with new events connected to the murder and the work of the arsonist. The author introduces support characters both good and evil describing their roles in her story. While Seth is continuing the investigation into the murder, kidnapping, and the arsonist, he uncovers dark secrets of the deceased TV star, creating a list of suspects that include his family, friends, his outspoken agent, and a deranged stalker. The murder investigation overlaps Carly's investigation of the troubled daughter abandoned by the missing stalker.

The storyline's pace never slows down keeping readers on their toes challenging them to keep up with each of the curve balls Leigh throws into the mix. Seth's investigation uncovers clues leading to new dangers and motives. Leigh changes direction of her storyline moving towards the gut-wrenching climax placing Seth and Carly in danger. The author keeps readers' interest high as she builds up to her explosive ending. **BURNED BY HER DEVOTION** delivers a fast moving mystery while at the same time adding a little romance and Taylor family time.

Kris - My Novelesque Life says

RATING: 4 STARS

(I received an ARC from the NETGALLEY)

(Review Not on Blog)

First off, Kendra Elliot and Melinda Leigh both work on the Rogue series. There are two series before this one, Rogue River (4 novellas) and Rogue Winter (2 novellas). These novellas are based in Solitude, Oregon about 4 characters. Two are sisters, one is a police officer, Stevie and the other is a social worker, Carly. Stevie is dating police chief, Zane and Carly is married to Investigator Seth. Each Rogue spinoff has a different crime.

In these two novellas we have the four investigating a murder of a TV star that is bringing the paparazzi to the small town. As the four try to solve the murder they seem to be getting closer to danger. I love these quick romantic-suspense novellas. They are perfect for a quick satisfying read.

Diane Saul says

When the confessed murderer of movie star Chase Ryan is abducted on his way to county jail, Deputy Seth Ryan puts his force into action to find him. Seth's investigation uncovers information about the victim's life that leads to suspects in the kidnapping. Chase had a crazy stalker and now her 13 year old daughter has also disappeared so they are looking for 2 people and there are plenty of suspects.

This is the 2nd and final installment in the Rogue Vows series and it is just as fast-paced as the first. This is a novella so it is a short read, but it is guaranteed to keep you turning the pages. A great collaboration between Kendra and Melinda. Thank you to Net Galley for an advanced reader's copy for a fair and honest review.

Candy says

We pick up where Death and Her Devotion (Rogue Vows #1) left off. Police Chief Zane Duncan & his new wife Stevie have left for their honeymoon leaving Sheriff Detective Seth Harding watching over the confessed murderer. Seth has a gut feeling that Toby isn't the murderer even though he's confessed to murdering TV star Chase Ryan. As Toby is transported to a larger facility, a black semi crosses the double line & nicks the police cruiser. Toby is traveling in sending it rolling over on its top. Seth was following behind for added support & when his own vehicle is under control he discovers that Toby is missing & the officer driving Toby is bleeding badly. Once everything at the scene is handled, a man hunt for the fugitive is under way. Meanwhile, Seth's wife Carly's placed ward goes missing & the hunt for Alex gets started too. Everyone in the police & sheriff's department are looking for the two missing people & are sent in all different directions following leads. When Carly finally believes she knows where Alex is headed she & police officer Kenny head that way. Will they find Alex? Will Seth find Toby? Did Toby kill Chase? Or did someone else kill Chase?

I must again admit, I am a fan of Melinda Leigh's writing. I like this collaboration between Melinda Leigh & Kendra Elliot, their writing styles complete one another perfectly. This book is another good murder mystery short story taking you on a journey tracking down a murderer but is it the man who confessed? You will have to read the book to find out! I will be reading more books by both of these ladies. I would recommend this book to anyone who enjoys the genre & anyone interested in branching out beyond what they normally read.

I voluntarily reviewed a NetGalley.com copy of this book.

Linda Strong says

In the second Rogue Vows novella, the town of Solitude, Oregon, will learn that good TV makes for terrible reality. The first in this series is DEATH AND HER DEVOTION by KENDRA ELLIOT.

In the first book, a celebrity was found murdered in a nearby campground. The confessed killer is abducted on the way to jail and Detective Seth Harding must find both the killer and the kidnapper.

I hesitate to say too much. I don't want to give away what happened in the first book. I always suggest reading series books in order .. in this instance, it's a must.

The characters are great and there is one, especially, that really knocked me for a loop. There's lot of action and many of the same characters from the first book.

This is a short, easy read, guaranteed to keep you glued to the pages until the very surprising end.
4 Stars for the book ... 5 stars for the series.

Many thanks to the author / Amazon Publishing / Netgalley who provided a digital copy in exchange for an honest, unbiased review.

CL says

The story continues from the celebrity murdered at the campground. As the murderer who has confessed is being transported he is abducted. Now the manhunt begins. Great 2nd part of the story. I would like to thank the Publisher and Net Galley for the chance to read this ARC.

CD {Boulder Blvd} says

For those who read the Rogue River novellas, Death and Her Devotion and Burned by Her Devotion are nice follow up stories to the next phase of the main characters.

Burned by Her Devotion focuses on Zeth and Carly as Zeth picks up the investigation of the murder of Chase Ryan while Zane and Stevie are on their honeymoon. The investigation takes a few interesting twists which I really enjoyed. I also enjoyed seeing Zeth and Carly working together and growing as a couple.

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Alexandra says

This book is the sequel to Death and her devotion. Just when you think its all over, things are about to reach a dramatic conclusion. Chase Ryan's killer is abducted on his way to jail. Someone has their own plans for him. Detective Seth is on the case, he has a killer and a kidnapper to catch. Plenty of twists and turns before reaching a climax. Melinda Leigh keeps you on your toes right to the end.

I highly suggest you read these novellas in order. Recommended for fans of romantic suspense.
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Carla Johnson-Hicks says

The Rogue Vows Novellas are a continuation of the story begun in the Rogue River series. Detective Seth Harding is accompanying the detective taking the man who confessed to the murder in the first book to prison. When the police car is side swiped by a transport, the prisoner disappears. Did he escape? Was he rescued or has he been kidnapped?

This short story is continued from the book by Kendra Elliott "Death and Her Devotion". This novella is action packed. I did not put it down from start to finish. The characters were pretty much the same, except for the switch to Detective Seth Harding as the investigating officer and his wife Carly Taylor (Stevie's sister) involved in a child protection case. The story moves quickly and keeps you turning the pages. This was an enjoyable read. This book brings the whole stalker issue, that is facing many celebrities, to the forefront and takes it to the extreme of what could happen. This is a book that can be read in one sitting, but YOU MUST read Death and Her Devotion first. The publisher generously provided me with a copy of this book via Netgalley.
