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Editorial Review

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Second efforts following strong debuts often disappoint, but that's not the case with the latest Toby Daye mystery (after *Rosemary and Rue*, 2009). Half human and half fae, Toby, now working full time as a PI, is contracted for what seems an easy job—checking in on her liege lord's daughter, January, who hasn't been returning his phone calls. But January's home (and computer company) is a tiny free duchy located between larger fae countries, each of whom would like to take over her land and wealth. Undismayed, Toby sets off with Quentin, a fairy knight in training, only to find that far more is going on than unreturned phone calls: three of the computer company's employees are dead, and January is missing. The action takes place only over a few days, and the setting is limited to January's duchy, allowing McGuire to evoke the country-house-murder plot of traditional mysteries while at the same time writing an excellent urban fantasy. This unusual but enthralling combination will draw in both mystery and fantasy readers. --Jessica Moyer

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

"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

"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.

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