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Smoke And Shadows (Order Of Prometheus Book 1)



Synopsis

From USA Today Bestselling author Katerina Martinez My name is Maxine Cartwright, and as of this morning, I'm a fugitive. New Seattle is a Shining City, one of the few remaining oases of civilization left in the world, but it isn't without its problems. That's where I come in. I'm a hunter; a mage employed by the Faction to hunt down Fallen mages and bring them in dead or alive. It's a good gig, and one I've been doing for years. I have a reputation, or notoriety, depending on how you see things, and more enemies than I can count. Now one of those enemies is trying to frame me for a terrible crime I didn't commit, and the worst part is my own people can't look me in the eye and tell me they know I'm innocent. My only choice is to run away from the only life I've ever known, and figure out who is going out of their way to put me down. Cut off from my friends and the people I once relied on for backup, I reluctantly accept the help of a man wanted for questioning concerning his potential ties to the Fallen. But how am I supposed to trust someone who could be a terrorist? Then again, how can he trust me? Proving my innocence will be the hardest thing I've ever done, but before I can do that I'm going to have to learn the truth about the world I live in, and uncover the lies I've been told my whole life. Buy *Smoke and Shadows* today, and find out what the Order of Prometheus really is!

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Customer Reviews

Speechless. I'm left utterly speechless. My mind boggles at how I'm supposed to put into words just how amazing this was without giving away the best parts of the plot. That's made even more difficult for me because there weren't any bad parts. The plot twists and turns and doubles back on itself leaving the reader wondering just who can be trusted. Especially when Max isn't sure she can trust her own mind. Friend becomes foe and the enemy just might be the only ally she can count on. And when all was said and done, I wasn't ready for it to be over. There's still questions I want answers to and I will be counting down the days until the next book is available. I received a complimentary advanced copy of this book.

I chose the 5 stars because there were no more for me to highlight otherwise the book would have received more from me. I guarantee that you will be hooked from page one and you will be so engrossed in the fast paced and well written story that you will find the time to have flown by and the book is now finished. I need the next book now, please don't make me wait too long. The characters are so well thought out you can picture them in your minds eye being there with you as they take you on the journey that is Smoke and Shadows. Maxine, the female protagonist, has a very strong willed character who takes being badass to a whole other level. There are mages and fae, the good and the bad who will keep Max on her toes but Max does get her bit of eye candy. but I'll let you check him out, don't want to give out any spoilers now. Being taken through each scene from Faction HQ to going to another realm, you are going to need thermals for that one, helps to give the reader more insight into where the characters are positioned and we can only picture a scene to that extent if it has been written by someone that has seen it and has excellent writing skills enough to share it with so much precision. Look if you love magic and female protagonist's with attitude then this is definitely worth checking out. I genuinely cannot wait for the next installment. I for one am so very grateful for the time and effort the author has taken to produce such a bewitching story, thank you Katerina Martinez.

I'm in love with this book, honestly. I loved Blood and Magick (and still do), but this is even better, to me, a real masterpiece. But let's start to review properly. Maxine is a badass heroine, a mage,

strong, with brains of her own. She's loyal to the Faction, an organisation that regulates the use of magic for the greater good in a post-apocalyptic world, here, in New Seattle. She is a top hunter, one of their best members... until she's found guilty of a terrible act. An act she didn't commit. Someone is framing her, and the Faction offers no trial, just a (fatal) sentence. Maxine has no other choice than to rely on the target she just arrested, possibly a Fallen mage, the enemy she fought all her life, to escape and prove her innocence. But while digging in search of answers, she may find way more than what she was looking for, and the answers may not please her at all. What if all isn't as it seems? What if she's more than everyone expected? And what if her ex-target is very hot? Ok, this last one wasn't necessary ;) Or maybe it was? Hahal loved Maxine's character, strong, courageous and clever. She isn't perfect, but she doesn't try to, she's herself, doing her best. Jamie (the "rogue" mage) is also an interesting character, no cliché at all but sexy as hell in his own way. Aisha, whom you may have met in the prequel (really good one) *Frozen Fire*, is a fierce and loyal friend, and I'm sure I'll learn more about her in the next books. The world is very well constructed, and the story has a great pace, with revelations coming just in time to have great impact. I really can't wait to read book 2, I feel like I NEED to know more about each characters and the whole world they live in. I'm sure there is a lot more to discover. More epic moments to come. More truths to unearth. If you're into magic, dystopia and/or Fantasy, I think you really should read this book!

I purchased this kindle book via .uk. I always worry when an author starts a new series, especially when they roll books out as quickly as Ms Martinez. My worries were, however, unjustified, and once again readers have been given an engaging story in a completely different world to the one we live in now. The characters are likeable and I think there is plenty of room for some of the characters to develop more in later stories. Can't wait for the next book

Smoke and Shadows is the first installment in the *Order of Prometheus* series. It does not disappoint. I am always impressed by the obvious amount of time is spent developing not only the characters, but the worlds they live in. Martinez really does the important background work required to make the characters fit, the location believable and all of it interesting. The heroine of Book 1, Maxine Cartwright, is someone I'd like to know!

Maxine is her name but she goes by Max. And all of the Seelie, Unseelie and The Fallen know her name and slightly fear her. She is the best at what she does until someone sets her up to take the fall for a horrible act of terrorism. Now it is a race to find out who to be captured first her or the real

bad guys!! A very fast pace book. I loved all of the twists and turns. Can't wait to read the next in the series!!

I always love Katerina's work and this one is another win. Max is a hunter mage who takes down the bad guys. Until she grows too powerful for the Faction she has worked for all her life. After being framed and Jamie, a Fallen mage set out to find the person or persons responsible for blaming her for the death of thousands. Great story with lots of action and intrigue.

I'm a die-hard genre fan. Sometimes I start reading a series, and the more books I read, the worse the story gets. But Smoke and Shadows...I definitely want to read more. The author carries the storyline and the characters well enough that I'm not hesitant to read the next, and I don't need a break from the series. Wish I had a job as a proofreader for this author!!

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