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Final Touch (The Rayne Tour)



Synopsis

The day Shaley O'Connell has dreamed of all her life is shattered by a nightmare. On a lavish estate in California guarded from the media, Shaley's mom, rock star Rayne O'Connell, is marrying her teen sweetheart and Shaley's father, Gary Donovan. It's a dream come true for Shaley, who has always longed for the father she never knew. But minutes before the wedding, Shaley is kidnapped. Who is this man who has taken her and why? As Rayne and Gary race against time to find their daughter, Shaley's abductor eludes the FBI at every turn. Fearing for her life, Shaley wills herself to stay strong. But as the days pass, she realizes that no one can save her but herself.

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Customer Reviews

Gr 8-10 The series concludes in this novel with the promise of a fairy-tale ending: Shaley's mom, a famous rock star, is preparing to marry her high school sweetheart, Gary Donovan, who is the teen's father. After many years apart, the couple was reunited. The wedding day dawns, and things run smoothly until Shaley is abducted by a stalker recently released from prison. The majority of the novel follows her attempts to escape. The narration switches between Shaley's account of the ordeal and a third-person account of the family's response. This format maintains suspense and creates quick pacing likely to entice reluctant readers. The writing is clunky at times, and the novel's religious themes sometimes feel heavy-handed. Students who appreciate a good thriller will likely

forgive these flaws, though, and breeze through this page-turner. —Lindsay Cesari, Baldwinsville School District, NY. (c) Copyright 2010. Library Journals LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Media Source, Inc. No redistribution permitted. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

A Freudian would have a field day with the basic setup of the latest in the popular Rayne Tour series. On the very day of the sumptuous wedding celebration of Rayne O'Connor, rock star and mother of teen Shaley, Shaley steals the show by getting kidnapped by a man determined to make her his bride. Despite—or maybe because of this sexual strangeness, this is a riveting read featuring a tense, protracted hostage situation that forces Shaley to outwit her captor. Fans of this book will be drawn back to the first two in the series. Grades 8-12. --Connie Fletcher --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Book one was hard to read. It didn't grip me, hard to keep the pages turning. Book two was much better, but still not great. I'm not even sure why I finished book one let alone moving on to book two except that I'm stubborn that way. Once I start something, I rarely quit. I'm not saying these book were horrible. DEFINITELY NOT!! Just not on par with Collins' other books. Having said that, book three, Final Touch, was really good. It's hard to know what I would do in Shaley's position because something like that has never happened to me. Sometimes I thought, "That was a stupid move, Shaley!" But I'd have to think that if probably not keep it together nearly as well as Shaley did! This book did keep me on my toes somewhat, enough to keep the pages turning. It's still not on par with Collins' other books, however. I do have to say that I think that's because it's co-authored. That brought the skill level of the book down several notches, although by book three, it was much better than book one. I do not wish to shine a negative light on the co-author. I think she has tremendous talent that will get better every time she writes. Overall, this series was ok. I'd recommend it, but caution the readers that book one isn't nearly as good as book two and three, and to allow leeway for the fact that this is a co-authored series and thus not to compare it with Brandilyn Collins' other book like I did. My mindset would have been much better going into this series had I realized that one fact.

This set of 3 books is one any age will thoroughly enjoy, I believe. I know a close friend and I were captivated by Brandilyn and Amberly Collins' co-authored books --- even though we are more in the baby boomer age group. It was fun reading, yet very suspenseful and well-written. Vivid images and

events - of course the great quality of writing, too - to keep you there to the end of these 3 books. I strongly recommend FINAL TOUCH, as well as the other two to complete THE RAYNE TOUR. ~
Jaylene Shrader

Touching but very lovely! Thank you to the author

One of Brandilyn Collins best. If you like mystery you have to read this one.

Shows how The Lord uses His sovereign protective grace even in the most horrible circumstances.
Thank you so much for this great read!

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I had not heard of this series before this book. The reading was easy, but the plotlines seemed just too incredible.

Although it was a pretty good book I feel it was geared more toward teens. Would be awesome for teens.

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