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“There will be many hands against her, for almost as many reasons as there are hands.”

Thrust into a world she never knew existed, Jo discovers she's anything but normal. She was born to be a reaper, but her father's crimes have already stacked the deck against her and she must prove she deserves a place on that side of the veil.

When souls start disappearing from the rolls, she's persuaded into making a decision that sends her away from her new home and into the company of the powerful and dangerous, Caius. It's a journey that reveals the secrets of Jo's full heritage. One that leaves her wondering who she can trust and struggling to stay alive.

## Unveiled Details

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# From Reader Review Unveiled for online ebook

## InD'tale Magazine says

A paranormal story between YA and NA, "Unveiled" is the first book in the Raven Daughter series and is full of adventure and quirky characters.

Read full review in the 2017 June issue of InD'tale Magazine.

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## Indie Editor Nancy says

This book was creatively written; what starts out as a normal family but a sick mom and her two daughters, turns into a paranormal story with fascinating creatures and characters with special powers.

"Given the nature of mortals, I think it is safe to say you would be better off hunted by a demon-born than falling into the hands of mortals who realize you do not age."

"There was something vaguely animal in the features and there was no mistaking the fangs. I hadn't imagined those."

"Mom was the tether that connected me to the world and without her, I was just drifting on the breeze."

I like how the author gave the main female character such strength of character and how she just seems to accept her new destiny and she rolls with the punches. The relationship between her and Caius was filled with tension at times, but they seemed to like each other enough to protect each other. I don't want to spoil the book so I will leave it there.

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## Amy Shannon says

Powerful!

The book intrigued me when the author was nominated for one of my Best Indie Titles of 2017 awards on my author blog, and the author was nice enough to share the story with me for a review. This YA fantasy is filled with twists and strong characters, who have depth. It was exciting and riveting, and Trosper writes a good story. She brings in different worlds and themes and melds them together into one great story. This is the first book I've read of Trosper, and it won't be my last. It was one of those books that kept the reader engaged, and I think it was truly magical. It grasps the reader and doesn't let go, and Jo was a character I won't soon forget.

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## Stacy Bennett says

A.D. Trosper "unveils" another engrossing and delightful story. (See what I did there.)

I have enjoyed other books by this author and I am always struck by the ease with which Ms. Trosper creates

her worlds. Her language is unadorned and straightforward. The prose itself quickly slips into the background as the setting she creates fills your imagination. The world-within-worlds reality of *Unveiled* is truly fascinating and I can't wait to see what further lands are explored in the sequel(s) to this book.

Moreover, Trospen manages to put us smack dab inside the heroine's head and never lets it slip. Jo, short for Josephine, is an ordinary, if extremely stubborn, young woman who has never suspected anything supernatural about her life. But when her mother dies, she discovers just how wrong she was. From her unusual parentage to her decision to join the ranks of Reapers (guides who help souls to the appropriate afterlife), she has to embrace a new worldview which she does with a only a smidge of kicking and a good dollop of sarcastic snark. She is tough and vulnerable at the same time; you can't help but love her. As for her counterpart and reluctant partner-in-crime Caius, he has a Darcy-like haughtiness that just begs for a comeuppance. The two mains play well off each other, with a great deal of enjoyable spark. I bet their relationship will bear further watching.

Trospen's mix of angels, demons, and older gods is fun and fresh. If you love paranormal romances with a strong sense of snark and humanity, *Unveiled* should definitely be on your TBR list.

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### **BookJunkie777 says**

*Unveiled* is an interesting and entertaining paranormal story following a young adult female who just cannot seem to win a break. Death, murder attempts, lies upon lies, mystery, and secrets plague her for only one alleged reason...she was born. The characters are likable and relatable and the storyline is unique. My only grudge is the cliffhanger! The narrator did a great job! I prefer audiobook speed to be closer to how I read out loud, so a speed of 1.25x was to my liking. I received a free copy of this audiobook at my request and have voluntarily left this review.

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### **Thomas Weaver says**

After a young woman's mother dies, she finds out her absent father is an angel, and then she is contacted by reapers who tell her that she's to learn how to be one of them and lead souls to their next destination... This doesn't sound like the sort of story I'd like, especially since it's YA, something I generally avoid due to a distaste for "insta-love" and similar, all-too-pervasive cliches.

"Spoiler"/good news: There's no insta-love in this novel.

The plot, which after the middle of the book looks at first to be a trite A-B-C quest (find the thing so you can find the next thing so you can find the thing after that), turns out to be rather more complex than that. Not only is the thing more difficult to find, but the reason for needing it is... not straightforward, after all. *Unveiled* is not a short story's plot stretched out into a novel through adding lots of filler scenes. Then again, neither is it one of those irritatingly minimalist novels in which the author leaves out nearly everything – no descriptions, no internal dialogue – under the guise of "let the reader imagine everything for her/himself." (I don't read stories by other people so I can imagine everything myself. When I want that, I have my own stories, thanks.) Although I never felt an emotional connection to the characters, I was honestly curious about what would happen to them. Sometimes, that's enough to keep me reading.

I do sort of like the protagonist. In one scene early on, she thinks good Mexican food is far more important than looking at cute boys whom she couldn't date anyway. Jo has her priorities right! :-) Oh, I'm sure she'll end up in a relationship – not just a close friendship, alas – with the guy who annoys her so much through most of this novel, but it won't be because she thinks she has to have a boyfriend to make her existence have any meaning.

I can't say I'd seek out the sequel to this novel, but I also don't think I'd refuse to read it for the purpose of reviewing it, if the author doesn't repeat the one (fairly big) problem with this first book in the series. Y'see, I'm rather fond of books having correct punctuation and grammar. I know it's not supposed to matter at all, that most 'readers dont care is the grammer good all they care is do they like the characters and what happen at the end?' but I'm not like that. I have trouble reading for enjoyment when nearly every page (more than ninety percent) of a book has at least one error, and many have more than one. Comma splices and run-on sentences get in the way of the words, which means they get in the way of the story. My advice to the author: Next time, find an editor who knows grammar and punctuation, because there are FAR too many errors in this book, and a good story like this one deserves better.

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### **Ramona Plant says**

Unveiled is a very imaginative book, that grabs you from the very first page. I don't think many books are written about reapers, so it is always fun to read one about a topic not covered a lot, especially when it is well done. The pace of the book is perfect. I never felt that the author was dragging out the story or trying to rush me along. There are some nicely developed hidden twists that keep the story interesting. Sadly this book ends on a cliff hanger, but that just means I will pick up the next one when it comes out.

Jo is just a real interesting character. I liked her from the very start, never feeling like she belonged, and I can relate to that. Even though she is confident and cocky, she never comes across as obnoxious! This to me is not easy to achieve since I have seen it many times where it was just too arrogant and I didn't care for the character. Jo keeps me cheering her on. She felt as real as a fictional character can.

I am looking forward to read the next one, hopefully that will be soon!

I have received this book from the author for an honest review. (LoP, Lovers of Paranormal)

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### **S.J. Delos says**

Having read some of A.D. Trosper's other works, I expected to enjoy Unveiled before I laid eyes on the first page. I didn't expect to absolutely love it.

In this tale, Trosper has managed to effortlessly weave together elements of various mythologies and use that setting to bring to life very real and complex characters. Jo (don't call her Josephine) is a non-typical girl who finds out that all the things she thought about herself and her family weren't completely on the up and up. Turns out she's actually a Reaper, one of those charged with leading the souls of the deceased to the river Styx.

However, it turns out that Jo's only gotten half the story. The truth is even stranger and more dangerous than

she could have imagined.

The pacing of the story's plot is a perfect blend of quick action and slower transitions. As usual, Trooper knows how to tell a story and has perfected her ability to sink her hooks into the reader's attention and hold it for the duration.

The only negative I can find in this book is that I have to wait for the second book to come out so I can get back to this wonderful story.

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### **Connie says**

#### **Well written**

I really enjoyed this book. It is the first I have read of this new author. I definitely will follow her through the entire series.

She was recommended to me by someone in our small town. I hope to meet the author soon.

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### **Sophie Moss says**

This was such a unique and captivating story. Jo was an ordinary eighteen-year-old caught in an extraordinary situation. She was likable and relatable and I loved how she reacted to all the crazy situations and just sort of took them all in stride. I really liked reading about her shifting into a raven. I've never read a raven shifter book before and found that to be really unique and interesting. I LOVED Caius. He was super sexy and his character was so intriguing. I can't wait to see how their relationship develops in the next book. One of my favorite parts of the book was the world A.D Trooper built around the reapers and the demons and the cities beyond the veil. This was all completely new to me and made me want to know more about the myths and legends of the afterlife. It made me think of the Persephone myth I studied in grade school and now I want to re-read it! Will be starting the next book in the series later today.

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### **Kayla Krantz says**

I really loved this book, it had all the elements of a fantastic YA fantasy. Jo and Victoria are sisters who couldn't be more different. When their mother dies, and they are forced to face the truth of their origins, they are brought into a world they never would've guessed existed. Within the world, they each have their own roles, one as a Reaper and one as a Guardian.

Jo was my favorite character. She was feisty and strong. She did not back down even when other characters did.

The thing that bothered me about this book though was the two six month jumps within the story. The first is when Jo is first brought into the Reaper world and the second is just after she begins reaping. I feel as if a lot of the story is lost for these jumps. These time periods would've shown some real character development and would've helped the reader to divulge into this book's world more thoroughly. With the time skip, I felt as if there was a bit of an info dump to explain it all, and it's a shame because the book has so much going for it.

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## **Jan Miller says**

Unveiled by A.D. Trosper pulled me in from the beginning. Typically I do not listen to many paranormal/fantasy/young adult books, but this one appealed to me with its Reapers, and Fallen Angels. The author did a fantastic job plotting the story, developing the characters, and creating vivid imagery. I enjoyed the attraction between Jo (Josephine) and Calius, and found the snarky banter added to the story. There are also unexpected twists, which I adore. Suzanne T Fortin performed this book incredibly well. She brought the characters to life with her distinguishable voices and narrates most of the book. Zachary Johnson gave a great perspective of Calius on his brief appearances. This book is a standalone listen, but not the complete story. It doesn't end in a cliffhanger per se. I requested this review copy audiobook and have voluntarily written this review. I will definitely listen to more books by this author and narrators. I am hooked on Raven Daughter, Book 1 and can't wait for the next one to come out.

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## **Judy says**

Loved this book. Such a unique story as can only be told by the great writing of this author. Whether fantasy or New Adult A.D. Trosper always delivers a great story. The main character Jo is overwhelmed by the changes in her life but manages to cope with her wonderful sense of humor and sarcasm. The play between the demons reapers and angels is so original and totally absorbing. Can't wait for the next installment.

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## **Denise Weldon-siviy says**

### **Can't wait for the next book!**

This is a fantastic book! If you like fantasy with an afterworld/alternate universe vibe, you're going to love this. The main character is saucy and snarky without being rude – a great attitude to pull off. Her dialogue is entertaining and believable, with comments like “It’s a hospital, Victoria. I think it’s required for their cafeteria workers to go to an anti-culinary school or something.” Or “Honestly, who goes to speak to a strange, black-cloaked man in a cemetery? Yeah I had suggested it, but I didn’t completely lack a sense of self-preservation.” The male lead is haunted without being sulky and the developing relationship is sweet when it isn’t being snarky. No silly gushy ramblings, and no grossly explicit sex scenes. At the same time, it’s “clean” without being high and mighty. The alternative universe draws from multiple mythologies, combining the concepts of angels and demons with an afterworld in which veils separate various mythological beings into separate spheres of influence, and departed souls are escorted to the ferryman to cross the River Styx. A really great read that you’ll find hard to put down!

- Read via Kindle Unlimited.

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## **Chris Johnson says**

I enjoyed reading *Unveiled*. It was my first time reading Young Adult Fiction, and it pleasantly surprised me.

From the beginning, I felt drawn into the story as Jo ("don't call me Josephine") sits at her mother's deathbed, sees her mother's spirit accompanied by an angel (reaper), and bam! She's always felt different from others while growing up, and now she knows why! She's half-angel, half-mortal. And then... she is drawn into another world, just a little different to ours, as she comes to grips with her heritage. Before long, she is embroiled in something even bigger... all because her angel father couldn't keep it in his pants!

But I won't say any more here. The story did seem slow for a bit, but it soon picked up and left my brain feeling withdrawals every time I put the book down to return to real life. The pace picked up, and I enjoyed it enough to wish I had book 2 with me.

Why are you still reading this review. Close GoodReads, buy the book, and read it now before you miss out!

Thank you to A.D. Trosper for sending me a review copy. I loved it.

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