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Summertime ... and the living is easy.

Unless you're dating the next big pop star,
and your meddling parents are holding you hostage a thousand miles away.

After spending nine months with Jonathan, being apart is harder than I expected.
When I finally get to California for a two week visit—
with my older sister in tow as a chaperone—
my welcome from his mom and manager is colder than I expected.
They think I'm a distraction.
And their thinly veiled barbs make the city of angels
feel more like the city of vipers.
Despite interference and roadblocks,
the summer is full of new opportunities
and our time together is everything I want it to be.
But when the summer ends, I'm headed back to college
while Jonathan starts his North American tour.

I knew dating a popstar wasn't going to be easy,
but how am I going to handle spending even more time apart?

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Maura says

Development is Book 2 of the Songs and Sonatas series and is NOT a stand-alone. It picks right up where Double Exposition left off.

Gabby and Jonathan are navigating their relationship and life with music as best they can. The characters continue to grow and mature. This is naturally morphing from YA to NA and I think Development is the perfect arch for this trilogy.

This is not a series I would recommend to my young cousins because of the open door sex, but I would absolutely recommend it to friends.

I am very much looking forward to the conclusion of this trilogy.

Sara Oxtan says

Development by Jerica MacMillan a five-star read that will leave you wanting more. This is the second book in the Songs and Sonatas series and you do have to have read the first book Double Exposition first, as this story picks up right where the last one left off. Jonathan and Gabby's relationship has grown along with my love of music, they both just have a way that makes you fall in love right alongside them. They both support each other, but they are both at such vastly different points in their lives, Jonathan is about to become a rock-star and Gabby is a student set to finish her degree, they will have to face time apart for them both to get what they want and that starts with the summer break, this summer break will make or break them and in Gabby's case it may just make her into the woman she will become. Relationships are hard enough but when your folks are all against you it can make you fight to prove your love is worth it, or cause too much drama, I won't tell you what happens, but I will say I can't wait for book three to find out where this author will take us next. This journey has been one filled with love, passion and drama and I'm sure there more to come.

Gina Burkart says

Wow what a powerful book that draws you in from the beginning. This book has a amazing author that has a fantastic writing style that has you feeling like you are right their in the book. As you can feel the emotions coming off the pages. This book was hard to put down and is hard as I'll have to reread this series come January so I'll not forget anything important..

Gea says

Passionate and determined characters!

Despite their parents and manager Jonathan and Gabby know their dreams are important, but their

relationship is too.

I can imagine they'll almost get an allergic reaction to the ones that try to talk them into breaking up from now on.

I especially liked Gabby's internal musings when she's scared of something.

I received a free copy and this is my honest and voluntary review

Karen says

I always take off a star for serial books. I hate waiting as I lose the thread over time.

Kari says

Oh so good

I enjoyed this continuation of Jonathan and Gabby's story. The story really flows and we are introduced to Jonathan's brothers a little bit and Charlie (Charlotte), a popstar that Jonathan has known since he got started in music. I really hope to see more of her as the series progresses.

Deb Markanton says

The *Songs and Sonatas* series is Jerica MacMillan's best work yet! I love, love, love that this is so much more than a college romance. A rock star and a classical violinist? Yes, please!

Before I go any further ... please don't be put off that this series is the story of one couple, told over the course of three books. It's handled brilliantly. The writing is sigh-worthy, and the characters are fabulously developed. I love that each book takes us to the next step in Jonathan and Gabby's relationship as it blossoms into a lasting love.

Book one, *Double Exposition*, is all the feels, all the anticipation, all the excitement of new love. I finished it with a sigh of contentment, excited about all the upcoming possibilities. And I was not disappointed.

Development seamlessly picks up where *Double Exposition* left us. Their love is deeper, the stakes are higher, and more obstacles are thrown their way—Gabby is back at Marycliff, Jonathan is on tour, they are apart more than together, and parents are meddling. And through it all, Gabby is faced with some unexpected choices and tough decisions. I love watching her mature from a wide-eyed freshman to a confident and talented young woman who knows what she wants and stays on the path to get it. And I love Jonathan for her! He may not be without his flaws, but he will do anything for his girl.

I'm on pins and needles to see where the conclusion to this awesome story will take us! Five swoony stars to *Development*!

Kim Shofner says

This book had me all up in my feelings. I'm so happy for Gabby and Jonathan but at the same time sad. It seems like the odds are stacked against them. Not to mention everyone around them. I loved watching the development of their love and their careers throughout this book. Jerica just makes you feel so deeply for her characters. I can't wait to see how Jonathan and Gabby handle his being on your. I think their relationship is pretty solid but I guess we'll see in the next book.

Romazing Reader says

Sweetly Emotional!

Absence makes the heart grow fonder ... Part two of Gabby and Jonathon's sexy story and Jerica MacMillian has me cheering for them all the way through! I'm hooked! It's a magical combo of sweetly romantic and super steamy hot, making this story another wonderful read that I could not put down! Overbearing obstacles with good intentions keep Gabby and Jonathon emotionally on edge every second of everyday as they try to prove to the world their love is here to stay, no matter how far their musical aspirations pull them apart. So many new developments, new possibilities and new horizons spring up for both Gabby and Jonathon that strains and strengthens their love, while it has everyone around them doubting how the sweet young couple is going to make it all work. Another sexy, NA romance by this wonderful author that makes me excited for the next part of Gabby and Jonathon's love story and all that lies ahead for them in their musical careers!

*** I was gifted this lovely arc for a review ***

Katie Chapman says

Amazing! I'm not sure that I can wait until January to read the final installment. Jerica MacMillan's writes in a way that draws you in. Her characters are so passionate that you can't help rooting for them. I love Jonathan and Gabby and just want them to be happy together. Anxiously awaiting the last book...

Paula White says

3.5*

Catherine Bibby (Rochelle's Reviews) says

I received a copy and voluntarily left a review.

Jerica MacMillian's latest novel, Development, finds us back in Gabby and Jonathon's tumultuous ride through their new love and musical journey. If you thought their story was full of angst, passion, and paparazzi in Double Exposition, get prepared for more drama, musical madness, and lots and lots of heat! These string players will be manipulating more than just their instruments, they will also be playing with reader's hearts!

My fascination with Gabby is still going strong watching her explore a new niche in the music world. I enjoyed seeing her negotiate with her parents who still want to keep her a little girl, and admiring the way she is learning to fit into her boyfriend's new world full of cameras and fame. She is a young woman on the rise of something great and is not willing to back down from her own dreams or give up on her love for Jonathon, no matter what obstacles remain. She is a bad ass violinist who is fearless in going after both success and matters of the heart!

Jonathon is learning that being in show business while grown, isn't going to be without its challenges either. Especially in the midst of a new love that he just can't live without and precious time to spend with her. He soon learns that it is going to be hard to pursue his dreams and also be with Gabby. But everything worth doing is not easy...right! Jonathon shows that there is more to him than just chiseled abs and musical talent and he will leave you singing his praises and falling ever harder for him!

Jerica MacMillan gives us another outstanding musical performance starring a talented, head strong couple that will stand up to all the odds to be together. I highly recommend both Double Exposition and Development for a glimpse into a love that will flourish even surrounded by fame and all the problems that come with it. I adore the Songs and Sonatas series and cannot wait to experience their finale that I am sure will leave us all standing at ovation, clapping with our hearts in our eyes!

Nerdy Dirty & Flirty says

Again, I am impressed and really enjoying this new series setup from Jerica MacMillan. I love that Gabby and Jonathan's story is being told across three books. I feel like this story is so big and full of so much emotion and obstacles for the couple to deal with and attempt to overcome that there is no way one book would have done it justice. And having just finished book two in the series, I am left with conflicting feelings.

On the one hand I am extremely satisfied with the individual development of Gabby and of Jonathan. To see how they are growing as musicians and performers. How they are standing up for themselves and each other and what they want. I'm also happy to see how they have developed as a couple. To see how they handle the new stresses that have been thrown their way. But on the other hand I am stressed and anxious that I will have to wait to see what comes next. The ending of book two was perfect and yet the fact that I don't already have book three ready to immediately jump into so that I can get the answers I need saddens me. But it's the sadness most readers experience when they have just finished a good book and either have to wait for the next in the series, or they had to say good by for now to those characters. It's a good sadness.

I grew to love these two characters even more after reading this book and I am left with all kinds of thoughts and ideas swirling through my head as to how things can possibly be resolved happily for them, but I have high hopes that Jerica will deliver a fantastic book three that will leave me not only happy with the conclusion of Jonathan and Gabby's story, but anxious for who ever is next in line to find their match. That is another thing to look forward to with so many good secondary character presented. Either way, I am still firmly a fan of this author and can't wait for her next book.

Bobbi Wagner says

Development (Songs and Sontas Book 2) by Jerica MacMillan is the second book in her Songs and Sontas series. I highly suggest that you read the first book before this one as this one picks up where the first one left off with Gabby and Jonathan's story. Their story was hot, sexy, steamy in the first book and it continues to be in this one. I have enjoyed this author's books from the first one I have picked up. She never lets me down in her books and I know what I am getting every time I pick one up. This story pulled me in right from the beginning and kept me engaged throughout the story. These characters will take you on a roller coaster ride of various emotions that you won't be able to put down. In this installment of this series Gabby and Jonathan are still trying to prove to everyone that their love is real and isn't going anywhere. Life will through struggles at them but is their love strong enough to break through them? As their musical careers grow will it break them apart? One of my favorite parts with these characters is to see them grow and how strong their determination is. Their love is strong but sometimes love can not stand the stress of life. I found myself hoping that these two find their HEA. These two really are great together, they have such great chemistry. You will just have to read this series to find out what I mean with them. They just grow throughout this story that makes them that much stronger. The secondary characters are just as great in this story. I don't think it would be the same story without them. I highly recommend this book as I know you will want to see what happens with Gabby and Jonathan and the challenges and battles life puts them through will amaze you.

Heather Bass says

This is the second book from the series Songs and Sonatas. You need to read the first book before you read this one because this book starts right where the first one left off. I love pop star romance but this author makes me fall in love with it even more. I could not wait to start this book. I am hooked on Gabby and Jonathan's story. This book kept me glued to my Kindle all night long. I devoured this book in only a matter of hours.

Gabby has been missing Jonathan for almost a month but summer is coming. She is so excited to see him again but her parents want her to stay home for the summer. After of a lot of persuading Gabby gets to go to California for a couple of weeks. She also has to bring her older sister to watch over her. Gabby can't stay with Jonathan so she is staying at his apartment and he is staying at his parent's house. She is loving the time with Jonathan and doesn't want to go home. Gabby is then called on a offer she can't refuse. She is so happy when she gets to stay longer. Gabby has only two problems ,Jonathan's mother and manager. They both think that Gabby is a distraction and will go away eventually. Will Gabby's and Jonathan's love be strong enough to survive or will it be too hard to keep together?

This story is absolutely amazing. You will get all of the feels. I felt happy and then I would get upset due to some of the problems that this couple had. The storyline has it all romance, deceit, and forgiveness. You will fall in love with these characters all over again. Gabby is so sweet and genuine. She loves the true Jonathan and not the material things. Jonathan is a gorgeous pop star that has a good heart. He loves his family and he doesn't take his fame for granted. The way he treats Gabby will make your heart melt. Gabby and Jonathan have some steamy scenes that will make your temperature rise. This book has some twists and turns I didn't see coming. This talented author sure knows how to keep you on your toes. I love that this author wrote this book in both of the characters points of views. This gives you more of a personal connection and what the characters are thinking. I can't wait to see what happens to my new favorite couple next.

