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“Mortal Enchantment spins a unique twist on elemental mythology. This series is not to be missed.”

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In Kalin Matthew's world, elementals control the forces of nature. They are divided into four courts: air, woodland, fire, and water. At sixteen she will leave the life she's built with her mortal mother. Kalin will move to Avalon to rule with her father—the elemental king of the air court. Along the way, she's attacked by a fire court assassin and saved by Rowan, a swoon-worthy elemental with a questionable past.

Worst of all, she learns her father is missing.

To rescue him, Kalin will have to work with a judgmental council and a system of courts too busy accusing each other of deceit to actually be able to help her. But, they aren't her biggest challenge. With the Midwinter's Ball only five days away, Kalin must take over her father's duties, which includes shifting control of the elements—power Kalin has yet to realize.

As Rowan attempts to train her, a war looms between the four courts. If Kalin fails, her father will die and the courts will fall, but the betrayal she's about to uncover may cost her even more...

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Jen Scicchitano says

his story line is very different from anything I have read recently in YA, or really in adult paranormal stories. The Mythology is wonderful and really gets me interested in learning more about elementals. I really enjoyed the different changes of location, the author did a wonderful job describing certain locals. The plot twists were really fun and I actually did not see some of them coming! Kalin is a very strong character and really won't take crap from anyone- I am really excited to see what is next for Kalin, Rowan, Marcus and Ariel. What a great start to a series, lets get the next one out ASAP!

Bella says

First off I want to thank Stacey for loving me enough to read her book!! LOL This is one series I can say is different, has it own awesomeness to it and will suck you in from page one!

Ok I am going to make this a bit short and that's because like many other good books I can't explain how I feel! This is a book of elementals and I love that it's an amazing world to read about and O'Neale does a fantastic job writing that world!

Kalin is the princess to the king of the air court. But she has been living in the human world with her mother up until her sixteenth birthday. Now its time for het to come home, but as soon as she leaves crap hits the fan! She is attacked right outside her house but saved by the one and only Rowan a another elemental (YES HE IS HOT, VERY lol) but has something to hide and Kalin cant figure it out. Rowan helps her make it to her father safely but only to find out he is missing and things seem to not be all kosher.

Now she will have to find her father, maybe take over his job, figure out who her friends are and who are not, use a element she has never used before and this in a place she has NEVER been too and. Who can she trust, how can she save her dad when she is up against things she has never known?

OK I loved it yep I am saying it again I loved it. This was not only a smooth moving book but it had me hooked from the first page excited to get to the next. The world Kalin is thrown into was awesome to read and to watch her grow through out the book was remarkable. I loved Rowan too and I loved how loyal he was, there connection was just right as well. They will battle many obstacles and she will grow to a whole new girl in this story. There is some things you will never see coming so get ready for this magical world of fighting, love and adventure. I can't wait for more from this story and see what will happen to everyone you will meet in Mortal Enchantment!

Ashley Martinez (ilovebooksandstuffblog) says

Told from Kalin's point of view, Mortal Enchantment is the first full-length novel in the Mortal Enchantment Series and picks up where The Shadow Prince left off.

The day has come for Kalin to move to Avalon to join her father and rule the elemental air court. Before she

even gets to Avalon she's attacked by a fire court assassin, but is saved by Rowan, a sexy and mysterious element. Her bad day is about to get worst, once she enters Avalon she discovers that it's not the safe and beautiful place she thought it was. Instead Avalon is filled with treachery, politics, and secrets. When she discovers her father is missing she vows to do anything to get him back. The problem is she doesn't know where to begin and the Midwinter's Ball is coming up. Kalin is running out of time. If her father isn't found before the Ball, she'll have to take his place and perform a power display. With no idea how to use her power, she grateful when Rowan steps up and volunteers to train her. Time's running out and the cost of Kalin's failure maybe higher than she ever thought.

A thoroughly enjoyable read. I loved the mythology with the different elements and how beautifully crafted the fantasy world Ms. O'Neale created was.

Kalin isn't your whiny, arrogant teen princess instead she's real, independent and passionate. Her character is easy to like and root for. I hope her character develops more and that she becomes stronger. Rowan is a mysterious and sexy elemental. His secret past is clouded in pain, but despite everything he remains strong and determined. His determination to help and protect Kalin is impeccable. I love his character and can't wait to see more from both him and Kalin.

The fast-pace action and unseen twists make for an exciting read. It was hard for me to put this book down being drawn to both the plot and the characters. There was never a dull moment and I was left wanting more. The only problem I was that there could have been some more details and explanations with some of the story. That being said it was still enjoyable and I can't wait to see where the story goes from here.

Stefani Sloma says

You might remember from my review of the prequel novella to this series, *The Shadow Prince*, that I really enjoyed it and was looking forward to reading *Mortal Enchantment*. I waited a few weeks in between reading them (as I had e-ARCs and such), but I kept looking at *Mortal Enchantment* on my shelf with excitement. When I finally was able to pick it up, I wasn't disappointed.

Mortal Enchantment is a fun, fast-paced unique take on elemental mythology. I really enjoyed the setting – Avalon, the world in which all the elementals live divided into four courts that control the elements. These courts – air, water, fire, and woodland – were all fascinating. I'm glad we got to learn more about them in the novel, because the prequel novella definitely got me interested. I thought getting behind the scenes and seeing how Kalin learned to control her powers was really cool. I could almost feel my own fingers burning with the power she was producing.

One thing I wished was different was the length. I wished it were longer! Some of the scenes, especially a particularly important battle scene that had a lot of buildup, were somewhat short and over way too quickly. I could have done with more descriptions here! But instead of focusing on these big moments, the book focuses on the smaller, more intimate moments between Kalin and Rowan or Kalin and her handmaid Ariel. This was enjoyable and allows the reader to get to know these characters better. This isn't really a complaint: I just wish I had more of the book. All the more reason to read *Fragile Reign*, the next book in the series!

Two things about Rowan to wrap up this review: 1. I wanted more of him, and 2. He's got a little bit of an ego, doesn't he? He knows he's super sexy and he uses it to his advantage, which is not something I find particularly attractive. I mean, if you know you're good looking, that's one thing, but you don't have to be

arrogant about it. Taking this fact into account, it's funny that I wish we'd had more of him here. I think I was used to reading *The Shadow Prince*, in which he's the main character, so trading him off for a different point-of-view was different.

The bottom line: overall, a fun, fast-paced, interesting take on the fantasy genre. I'll definitely be checking out *Fragile Reign* when it releases next month!

Rating: 7 – pretty good

Chayse Sundt says

I met Stacy O'Neale back two years ago at a signing in Houston. I remember thinking if she was an author, not knowing that she was working a book in progress. Now that I have read *Shadow Prince* and the first book in the series, I was looking at a future best seller. I feel that this series will go far and I hope to travel along with it.

We leave Rowan and follow Kalin who I learned just a little bit about in the prologue but she has a future that will decide the outcome over the four elemental courts. Kalin has a long way to go and with her father missing, stress is building up but with the help of Rowan she has the power to bring something great to her world.

This book set up a series that hopefully will make the top. Kalin, like mentioned before, has a big journey ahead of her and we were able to see some of her powers but I feel with the upcoming books, we will be able to see what she is fully capable with. Rowan, I am glad was not taken out of the story because I connected with him in the first book and everything.

When I hear of Avalon, I think of King Arthur and I am a big lover of that literature and world that I knew that I would love the world of Avalon as well. The way the words described it, I felt like I was with it the whole way.

Overall this book was spectacular and although it felt a little short, it has a long way to go. Stacy O'Neale is super in all that she has done so far. *Mortal Enchantment* is a book that brings readers to pause and think about how they will be holding a bestseller. Totally Enchanting!

I give this book 5 bites!

Seeing Double in Neverland says

Mortal Enchantment switches to Kalin's POV. She is away from the world she has always known and the only family she has in this new world has been taken from her. What happened and who took her Father? That is what Kalin is determined to uncover.

In the meantime the kingdom has been left in her hands and she has a very short amount of time to discover what she is made of. I was sad to not have Rowan's POV but soon found that Stacey made such an exceptional character and story that Rowan's voice is heard loud and clear whether from his POV or not. He is still cocky, stubborn and charming all in one hot package. I enjoyed the adventure this series has taken me

on.

Every story makes you crave the next one right after. The chemistry between Rowan and Kalin is as steamy as Daemon and Kat from the Lux series by JLA. I can not wait to get my hands on Fragile Reign. This has to be one of my favorite Fantasy reads this year! This is a must read series and if you have not picked it up then you need to.

Booknut says

"You're ready. This is the only way we can unlock your power. Don't break your concentration; you've come so far already."

"All right, but if I die, I'm haunting you for eternity."

He chuckled under his breath. "I look forward to that."

Turning sixteen for normal girls means throwing parties & battling boy problems. For Kalin Matthew it means accepting her supernatural birthright.

As far as Kalin's friends know, she's moving to Paris. But the Avalon she's going to definitely isn't the Avalon Hotel. She's going to the Avalon of myths and legends...the home of the four elemental courts: air, woodland, fire, and water.

Kalin's father is the elemental king of the air court. Both he and her mortal mother agreed when Kalin was born that when she turned sixteen she was to move to Avalon to help rule with her father. There, she would learn how to control air element and weather magic.

But an unexpected attack by a fire court assassin - and a surprise rescue - throws all their plans into upheaval.

Kalin's father is missing. And it's Kalin's duty to find him.

Upon discovering that her father is missing, Kalin tries to launch a search party for him - struggling to control the air council and the peoples who are supposedly her loyal subjects, as they argue amongst themselves. Any attempts at establishing order quickly fail, with any suggestion on Kalin's part being politely ignored.

Being half-mortal doesn't help. In order to fulfil her duties as the princess of the air court, Kalin must embrace her elemental side...a side she barely knows anything about.

There to train her is the one who rescued her from the assassin, a striking elemental named Rowan. Warring between feelings of mistrust and attraction, Kalin must decide whether Rowan's motives are as spotless as they appear...and where his loyalties truly lie.

Corrupt councils. Raging elements. Impending war.

Kalin will have to battle with all these trials and more, as she tries to unravel the web of secrets and mysteries surrounding her father's disappearance.

But will she be able to uphold the balance of control in the elemental world? And can she stop the outbreak of a brutal war between the courts?

Immerse yourself in a mythological maze of romance, magic and mayhem, as Stacey O'Neale's *Mortal Enchantment* takes you on an unforgettable journey.

Check out the review on my blog: <http://21stcenturyonceuponatime.blogs...>

To see the 'Swoon Worthy Saturday' post on Rowan: <http://21stcenturyonceuponatime.blogs...>

Maira says

i was initially very impressed with the blurb because the story line and theme of the book was very good so i started reading it. the starting was awesome. i really liked the characters and how they were related to each other. the story was connected in a good way but i don't what happened, the book took a turn for bad in the middle. the characters were not as strong as they were in the beginning. things become predictable and the story became boring, typical. the twists were all over in the beginning and the book was left with the same plain old story. It was very disappointing to say the least. I finished...hardly...i hope the second book is better than this one but am not holding my breath for it.

The Unofficial Addiction Book Fan Club says

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Review:

Mortal Enchantment truly transported me to a whole new world. I found myself immersed in Avalon and dying to know what would happen with Kalin and Rowan. How could I not enjoy this story if it has the best thing about YA? Fantasy, danger and romance.

It is very important for a fantasy novel to build the world perfectly. As a reader myself, I want to be able to imagine the world that the author had in mind for the story and Stacey O'Neale did a perfect job. In every single scene, all that surrounds Kalin is explained to detail and it was pretty easy to imagine Avalon.

The journey Kalin and Rowan both do together is a tough one and I liked that there were some battle scenes.

As for the characters, Kalin is one of those main characters that either you connect with her or you don't. She has some special reactions to some situations that I found it a bit surreal, meaning I wouldn't react so dramatically. However, she was a good heroine and we could see over her childish moments because you can truly see that she was trying to be mature and we also have to remember that she's only sixteen.

Rowan is definitely a perfect book boyfriend that I am dying to read more about. My only regret is that I wish I have read the novella first to get to know him better before meeting him in *Mortal Enchantment*. He's good, kind and has this all guardian thing going on that makes him kind of irresistible. Plus his playful side is what most of the times brought a smile to my face while reading the book.

Mortal Enchantment is a fast-paced fantasy novel worth reading about. With a good ending, an amazing world and memorable characters, this YA story has all the things to keep you interested until the very last page.

Haddie Harper says

I did write a kickass review yesterday, but I was on my tablet and it went hay-wire. So, I hope I can replicate it.

DISCLAIMER: I was given a copy of this book (via the author) in exchange for a review.

The adventure continues as Kalin, the daughter of King Taron, of the Air Court, comes of age and is ready to join the kingdom, and move to Avalon. However, shortly before she is to leave for Avalon, she is attacked by two Fire Elementals, and rescued by a mysterious young man who likes to avoid answering her questions. Rowan has secrets, and Kalin is curious. But these secrets are not uncovered until later.

Rowan takes Kalin to Avalon, only to learn that her father has gone missing, just hours before their arrival. They walk right in a Council meeting, which goes into flames, literally. Rowan is suspicious that Queen Liana of the Fire Court is the one who ordered the attack on Kalin. Just a repeat of what was supposed to have happened with the previous queen.

There is a traitor in the midst of the Air Court, and Kalin does not know whom she can trust. However, Rowan seems to be the more likely choice to trust, because Kalin now knows her father had helped him. Rowan promises Kalin that he will help her find her father. He has also volunteered to train her, and help with her powers. But how can anyone possibly focus on training when that sexy specimen is the instructor?

Will they find the King before a war breaks out?

Will they catch the traitor?

And will Kalin actually get Rowan to kiss her?

Yes to all the above.

The story is very intriguing. I think what I loved most was being able to share it with my younger brothers at one point. I was freaking out a bit and they asked what I was reading, so I read it to them. It was late in the night, so they fell asleep. But in the morning, they came back to me and asked what had happened next. I couldn't tell them, because I had finished the book and was looking to know what happens next as well. Great story; thrilling and satisfactory. ♥

Chapter by Chapter says

I thought the whole premise behind this book/series was so intriguing! And after having read the prequel, *The Shadow Prince*, I knew that I had to keep reading to find out what happens next.

Where *The Shadow Prince* is told in the point of view of Rowan, the sexy lead in this series, *Mortal Enchantment* is told in the point of view of Kalin Matthews, the princess of the air court. On the day where she is slated to move back to Avalon and rule with her father, elementals from the fire court are on the move and their sites are set on Kalin. Luckily for her, bad boy rogue, Rowan, saves the day and escorts her to her rightful place.

Upon their arrival, they are told the terrible news that her father is missing, and no one knows where he could be. Of course, all eyes are on the fire court. But it also seems that Kalin is not as safe as she thought she would be back in Avalon. A target is on her back, and she's been warned not to trust any of the elementals around her.

On top of that, she finds out that she must learn how to use and harness her elemental power of air and thwart off the actions of the leader of the fire court, in order for the air court to have their time to rule. That doesn't sound too bad, but unfortunately for Kalin, her past sixteen years were spent in the mortal realm where she did not learn how to use her magic.

Again, Rowan comes to the rescue with a promise to help her learn and control her new found powers. But can Kalin trust a rogue member of the fire court who she knows in her heart, is hiding a dark secret...one that he seems to be struggling with internally.

Mortal Enchantment by Stacey O'Neale is a fantastic story revolving around elemental mythology. It's a story where readers will be easily captivated by the world created by Stacey O'Neale, and characters that you will definitely want to follow.

What I loved the most about this book was the multiple twists and turns found in the book, especially near the end. It definitely had be admitting that I had zero idea that that was going to happen.

The interaction between main characters Kalin and Rowan were cute and humorous at times. It was near impossible to not fall in love with these two. And the added bonus was watching their relationship build. It was sweet and endearing, especially after reading the prequel, *The Shadow Prince*. Reading the prequel really helps in understanding what exactly is going on with Rowan, and the horror that he had to go through. It explains a lot that is only barely touched in *Mortal Enchantment*, so I would totally recommend readers to check that short story out first before diving head first into book 1.

Fans of books involving magic and elemental mythology will really enjoy the first installment in the *Mortal Enchantment* series by Stacey O'Neale. It's action packed and riddled with humour and witty banter. A definite must for your TBR list.

Naban says

I was expecting something new and exciting and this book failed me.

The plot was so plain, and I just didn't feel anything towards any of the happenings in the book, my emotions being tucked far away. When anything supposedly major happened I would just kinda go "lol kay" instead of, I don't know, hyperventilating or falling out of the chair as I ought to. Allow me to show you the basic events in the book.

Kalin: Lol okay, time to go to ma Daddy! But WAIT I'll just take a walk into the forest although it's dangerous just for the lulz.

Creepy strong lady (pops out): MWAHAHA! YOU IS ALONE. I'm gonna kill you.

Kalin: Oh poopies! I cant fight. I'm totes dead.

Sexy boy (pops out): CHAA CHEE CHOO! Imma kill the creep.

Kalin: Um so who was she, who r u.

Sexy boy: i won't give clear answers anyway so stfu.

Kalin: Wtf, how do I trust you then! ARRGH WHATEVS BUT I'LL GO WITH YOU LAWL.

[kalin and sexy boy enter council building]

Fire council lady: OMG KILL THAT BOY! OMG RAWR RAWR.

Kalin: UGH STAHP GUISE- OH NO WAT? FATHER DISAPPEARED!

[...]

Kalin: Let da sexy boy stay bcs i am princess meow.

[...]

sexy boy: why you looking at ma sexy bod

Kalin: I wasn't!! but totes was hehe everyone h8s u but i think you're gorgeous.

[...]

Nice maid: Hi Kalin I'm your new friend.

Kalin: hm ok your ma friend.

Nice maid: Ok time for dresses and girly stuff!

Sexy boy: Oh wtf you cant do girly things Kalin, come train with me.

Kalin: ok.

[..]

Kalin: I CANT DO DIS, I SUCK, IM WORTHLESS. AARGH.

Sexy boy: it's ok i'll touch you seductively.

Kalin: Man I wanna kiss you.

[...]

Kalin: Oh no Daddy appeared in my dream and he told me not to trust two people so everyone's a suspect...except sexy boy bcs he has a hot body ok.

[..]

Nice maid: Wear dis dress pls.

Kalin: OMGZZ! DIS DRESS HAS POISON! YOU TRAITOR N HATER! RAWR RAWR.

[...]

Kalin: omg srly made a mistake, it must be the sexy boy who did that!

Kalin: lawl nvm he's too sexy.

[...]

Kalin: DAD IS WITH BAD FIRE PEOPLE AND I STILL CANT SAVE MY OWN ASS! OH NO I CANT - OH HEY SEXY BOY, wanna 69?

Kalin: Omg cant trust anyone i swear dis sucks, council is falling apart i won't even try to practice my skills or do anything and this sexy boy.

[..]

Kalin and sexy boy: 6969696969

Everyone else: WARRRRRR! RAWWWWWWWWR!!!!!!!!!!!!

Kalin: omg still cant fight i cri

Sexy boy: hold on..run!!! *gets attacked*

Kalin: I STILL CANT FIGHT - hey, i am princess i can do what i want whatchu bitches sayin - OMG SAVE ME I CANT FIGHT!!

sexy boy: its ok i will fight for you, stand by me ok my precious

Kalin: I CAN'T FIGHT! - wait, hay dad am i da strong super speshul akasha? omgzz i am?!

Kalin: i am the heroine of the story!!

Also, how come the almighty Council act like immature 5 year olds fighting over a cookie jar?

The end.

Jena says

First off, I absolutely adore this cover! Not only are the colors gorgeous, but so is that model and even though her hair isn't at red as I imagine Kalin's to be, that girl definitely looks fierce enough to be her. With *Mortal Enchantment*, I was excited to see how Stacey would take this one and switch view points from the pre-series novella, *The Shadow Prince*. *The Shadow Prince* was so full of action and had an awesome story line from a pretty sexy lead, and with *Mortal Enchantment* we get Kalin's view and let me tell you, it was just as exciting!

Even though I was bummed to leave the head of the super yummy Rowan, I was excited to see from Kalin's view. It was awesome to learn the world of Avalon more as Kalin did, since she was truly experiencing it for the first time. With Kalin, I liked how she was innocent, but at the same time strong. Regardless of being in a new magical world, her concern is doing what needs to be done in order to save her father and I really liked that about her. Even though she had some displays of power and training, I hope we get to dive more into her power displays in future books.

So, the sexy lovely boy that is by her side through this journey is the one and only Rowan, who I have already mentioned multiple times. There is a reason for that I promise. First, he has deep blue eyes and an eyebrow piercing... AN EYEBROW PIERCING... need I say more? Of course I will, Rowan also has one heck of a past and he is still strong as anything and I give him major props for that. I love him and Kalin together and I am only hoping for a HEA in their future.

With Avalon, I adore anything having to do with elements or fae and I kind of feel like Stacey mixed the two and came out with a really awesome world building and concept. I especially liked the brief moment we get with the water court. It was really mysterious and how the kingdom/castle is set up seems to be amazingly awesome...I hope we get to see more of it in future books.

With *Mortal Enchantment*, I adored how there was constant action and how everything I wanted from the first book was achieved and more. There were parts that made me so excited because after the novella, I hoped for them and other moments where I'm begging for them to be answered in future books. I honestly am loving this series and the world, and cannot wait to get more of Rowan and Kalin! Overall, fantastic magical story!

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Dianne says

So, I read **The Shadow Prince** and became a shiny, new Stacey O'Neale fan, instantly! How to care for my newfound status? Read **Mortal Enchantment**, of course! Stacey O'Neale has created an amazing world that

feels like I crossed a barrier between the reality of the human world and the fantasy and glamor of Avalon with its Fae courts, elemental powers, political power plays and intrigues.

Kalin has reached the age when she is to live with her father in Avalon, after living 16 years in the human world with her mother. Being part Fae is not a shock to her, but finally being able to physically meet her father, after sharing dreams with him for years has her both excited and apprehensive. Coming into her powers as an elemental is a little awe-inspiring in itself, too bad her journey to Avalon becomes like a deadly omen of what she will find when she gets to court. Her father is missing, tempers are flaring and she may become a pawn in a deadly battle for the ultimate power over the elementals. Kalin is determined to find him, if no one else will. At her side is Rowan, an often abrasive, standoffish young man who is feared by some and looked down upon by others. He runs hot, he runs cold, he acts haughty, and he is warm and caring, talk about mixed signals! With no one to trust, deceit and danger all around in a strange new world, Kalin shows her mettle, but will she be strong enough to save her father and earn the respect of those around her?

Step through the portal to Avalon and see the richness of nature in all of its magical glory where colors are more vivid, scents are more pure and the vastness and wonder of this world comes to life under the guidance of Stacey O'Neale's imagination. Told from Kalin's POV, each scene is filled with wonder and awe. Danger comes from unexpected places and first impressions made are not always the most flattering. Action, twists, political chaos and treachery abound and Ms. O'Neale has enough creative confidence in her characters to turn them loose and make their mark. A highly recommended YA fantasy read, no matter how old one is!

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Jessica (Step Into Fiction) says

Review to come after I read the final manuscript but from an early draft, it's a very enjoyable story with fantastic characters and a world I'd love to be a part of!

Check out her FREE novella to get you introduced to Avalon!
