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Two Men. One Apocalypse.

Rise of the Revenants by Poppy Dennison

Vampyres are on the loose in Detroit, and novice hunter Taz Cohen is on the job. The mission seems simple: stop the vamps. But Taz knows nothing about the mythical creatures, so he's in for the fight of his life. Then he meets insanely attractive construction worker Darren Foster, who jumps into the battle with both feet. Sparks and bullets fly as they struggle against the vampyre horde and their attraction to each other. Avoiding gruesome death from the undead might be easier than shielding their hearts from each other.

Legacy of Blood and Death by Rhys Ford

For Javi Navarro, Detroit will become another blood-splattered city in his rearview mirror after he puts its dead back into the ground. Expecting an easy hunting job, Javi instead finds a kiss of ancient vampyres on the hunt for a descendent of their long-dead creator.

Reclusive Ciarnan Mac Gerailt abandoned his family legacy of blood and death magic after it nearly destroyed him. Unfortunately, the Motor City can only be saved if Ciarnan resumes his dark arts and joins forces with Javi Navarro, the hunter who brought the vampyre apocalypse—and hope for the future—straight to Ciarnan's front door.

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llv says

Not for me. Maybe I just wasn't in the mood for this type of book.

Rosa, really says

First, though the blurb says something about a "zombie apocalypse" I see no signs of it. Just a dozen or so escaped zombies. Which is serious, but not quite an apocalypse. Second, the people in this book *do* actually give a shit. Like, a lot. A lot of shits are given.

Prologue

I had a lot of problems tracking what was going on in the prologue. I don't know if it's me or the book (though I'm perfectly willing to blame myself) but I had to read it once and skim it a couple of times to get what was going on. Allow me to summarize:

We find ourselves in Detroit in the present day. A group of construction workers were working on a former 1920s speakeasy and stumbled upon 12 vampyres who've been trapped in the bowels of the building for almost a hundred years. Naturally, blood and death ensues -- those creepy bastards were hungry. Vampyre's are a cross between vampires and zombies -- they can go out in sunlight, but they eat every part of the body not just blood or *braaaaainz*. They can only be killed by severing their spinal cords and they look something like this:

Mac Gerailt, a death mage, kidnapped 100 people in the 1920s and made them into a bunch of vampyres. (That guy must've had quite the work ethic.) A life mage, Pierce Chapman, went after him. An epic battle ensues in the aforementioned bowels of the speakeasy and after Chapman turned some of Gerailt's vampyre's against him, Chapman and Gerailt ended up killing each. The supernatural world had no idea what happened to either men and their disappearance becomes legend.

Back in the present day, the cops call in two supernatural hunters, Taz Cohen and Javi Navarro. Though they've never worked together jokes are made about the TV show Supernatural and salt.

Javi informs Taz that vampyre's seek out their masters -- since their original masters are dead, they'll seek out the relatives with the most power. Javi and Taz decide to split up -- Taz tries to find Chapman's great grandson and Javi tries to find Gerailt's great grandson.

LONGEST. SUMMARY. EVAH. I think that was as long as the actual prologue.

***Rise of the Revenants* by Poppy Dennison - 2 stars**

Taz Cohen is a loner...a loner who travels the country--alone--killing werewolves. While searching for John Chapman, he runs into construction worker Darren, who's also looking for the killers of his construction worker buddies. Within seconds they're killing a vampyre, driving back to Taz's motel room where they eat pizza and then fuck. Their physical attraction is naturally epic and comments about "needy assholes" and giant dicks ensue. Taz and Darren soon find themselves and Darren's other construction worker buddies fighting 5 vampyres, a poltergeist and a werewolf. Taz encourages everyone to save themselves but they won't cause it's their city and they need to save it. Meanwhile Taz is also fighting his feelings for the super hot Darren.

Please excuse my snarkiness. I've read several books by Poppy Denison and their always enjoyable. I'm not really sure why I didn't enjoy this one, it's got everything I like best in a supernatural action movie -- romance, silly one liners, strangers banding together to save the day. They're not deep, but they're good for a giggle. But I just could not connect to this story or characters. It seemed over the top and though I love a good humpy, humpy scene the sex here just felt silly. However, if you like that a good supernatural action movie or book, and you're not feeling super picky like I am, you'll enjoy *Rise of the Revenants*.

***Legacy of Blood and Death* by Rhys Ford - 3 stars**

Javi Navarro is a loner...a loner who travels the country--alone--killing...monsters of some kind. As he and Taz agreed, Javi tracks down Mac Gerailt's great grandson, Ciarnan (I have no idea how to pronounce that). Javi hopes that a) Ciarnan isn't so evil he'll use the vampyre's for his own gain and b) Ciarnan is bad enough to use dark magic to call the vampyre's to him, so Javi can kill them. Unfortunately, although Ciarnan is a death mage just like his great grandpappy, he's retired as is own ability for evilness scares him. Can Javi and Ciarnan work together to kill the remaining vampyres without magic while dealing with mutual boners for each other? It's a good question.

I've gotta say, Rhys Ford does creepy well. (After Duck Duck Ghost I never want to see another doll again.) The vampyres's in the first story seemed like, well, mindless zombies, but in Ford's story they're almost sentient. They don't just stand around waiting for the machete to fall, they scuttle around on their bony fingertips, their joints twisting in different directions. Even their tongues are creepy.

[Javi] suspected [the tongue] was actually covered in minute suckers, a way for the vampyre to feed off the blood it got from spurting veins and chewed flesh.

I mean, that's just...I mean, EEEEEW! Creepy! I never want to read that sentence again.

I have one thing to say about Javi though--Dude! *Stop dropping your weapons!* Isn't that the first lesson you learn in badass school? Hang on to your weapons no matter what? Apparently Javi needs a refresher course. Okay, other than that there's lots of uber love and lust--they've never felt like this before--etc, etc. Like Dennison's story, this felt over the top. I just didn't feel connected to the characters and I couldn't buy the insta love. I loved the creepiness, but the rest of it was just...meh.

However, as stated above, if you like supernatural stories with badass mofo's, their love interests, cheesy one-liners and creepy zombie-like creatures, then reading this book should be a no brainer for you.

Geddit? *No brainer?* Cause it's like zombies and---fine, I'll just shut up now.

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2.5

Love Bytes Reviews says

4.5 star review by Colette

TV ain't got nothing on these two! Sure those 2 guys are hot and drive a cool looking car, but they don't know anything when it comes to dealing with the real Supernatural; at least, in the opinion of Taz and Javi, the 2 real life hunters in this installment of Creature Feature.

About 100 years ago, during Prohibition, a death Mage by the name of Mac Gerailt set up shop in Detroit, kidnapping people and turning them into vampyres. Pierce Chapman, a life mage, went to Detroit to stop him. A battle ensued, Mac Gerailt was defeated, but neither Chapman nor Mac Gerailt were ever seen or heard from again. That is until some construction workers broke down a wall on an old speakeasy and unleashed hell.

In the first story, Rise of the Revenants by Poppy Dennison, Taz Cohen rolls into Detroit in his 2014 black Challenger to take on the vampyres that escaped from the speakeasy, he meets up with Javi Navarro another hunter sent deal with the creatures. Javi, an older hunter more experienced with vampyres explains the history of Chapman and Mac Gerailt and they figure out the vampyres split up and are looking for the descendants of the two mages, drawn to their blood. Taz takes on finding the life mage Chapman's family.

Running a search on the family, who settled in Detroit after the mage disappeared, Taz finds John Chapman, a man who owns over 30 properties in the city. Armed with a list of addresses, Taz sets out to track him down and finds Darren....and a vampyre.

This was a really fun, scary, action packed story. I loved the humor and the chills and the heat between Taz and Darren was scorching!

In Legacy of Blood and Death by Rhys Ford, Javi sets out to find Mac Gerailt 's descendants, following a lead from an informant he finds Ciarnan Mac Gerailt . Ciarnan, his dark faerie familiar Shaddock and Elric, his wolf-dog were not what Javi expected. Ciarnan turned his back on death magic after a summoning that went very very wrong, and secluded himself in an old theatre in the heart of Detroit.

Javi shows up as a vampyre is attacking a neighborhood child in Ciarnan's garden – Ciarnan takes out the vamp and knocks Javi out in the process. When he comes to, he explains what happened with Ciarnan's great grandfather and Pierce Chapman and why the vampyres are searching for him. After much debate, Ciarnan – who has very good reasons for not wanting to use magic to call the vampyres – agrees to help. Javi is intrigued and attracted to the mage, there is a strong pull between the two men, both lonely and hurting and desperately needing warmth and human contact.

This is the darker of the two stories, not surprising given it is about a death mage, but there are still flashes of humor and fun interspersed in the horror and gore: "I am a death mage specializing in demon summoning and flesh shaping, and you think I'm cute?"

Together both stories provide enough chills, thrills and hot romance to satisfy just about everybody!

A copy of this book was provided in exchange for an honest review. Please visit www.lovebytesreviews.com to see this and many more reviews, author interviews, guestposts and giveaways!

Ro Dubose says

4.5 Rating

Rise of the Revenants by Poppy Dennison - 4.5 Nymphs

A Detroit home renovation has released the vampyres trapped in the basement for centuries and the creatures are hungry for blood. Paranormal hunter Taz Cohen is called in to eliminate the blood thirsty mindless killers, but Taz's specialty is werewolves. Taz gets the help he needs from one of the renovators Darren Foster. Together, Taz and Darren not only make a good team as hunters; they also make a great team in a romantic relationship.

Legacy of Blood and Death by Rhys Ford - 4.5 Nymphs

Hunter Javi Navarro is no stranger to hunting vampyres. Nevertheless, destroying a dozen dark magic vampyres before they kill more of Detroit citizens requires the assistance of the mage creator's ancestor Ciarnan Mac Gerailt. Ciarnan is a blood mage who deserted the dark arts after almost losing his own life. The immediate attraction between Ciarnan and Javi as well as a night of intimacy finally convinced Ciarnan to cast one last dark magic spell to save the city's inhabitants. Ciarnan had walked away from the Evil practiced by his family; nowadays Ciarnan is a shunned mage targeted for death.

Creature Feature 2 is a thrilling as well as very enjoyable saga. The combined good versus evil stories exhibit almost non-stop intense lethal attack scenes with all kinds of mystical creatures. The moments of intimacy displayed between the couples are especially tender.

Christy says

I devoured the first 'Creature Feature' book with stories by Poppy Dennison and Mary Calmes, so you can imagine my reaction when I discovered there was to be a second book. This book, features stories by Poppy Dennison and Rhys Ford and involves vampyres! Yay! I love me some bloodsuckers.

Taz Cohen is a hunter, but he tends to specialize more in werewolves than vampyres. Good thing for him, then, that Javi Navarro is working with him, as Javi is very knowledgeable about the vamps and the mages. What they find, is, in Javi's words "The Holy Grail and the Ark of the Covenant for hunters", the final resting place of the legendary battle between Pierce Chapman, a life mage, and the man who created the vampyres, "the" Mac Gerailt, a death mage. Reviewing all the evidence, they surmise that, at some point during this fight, some of the vampyres aligned with Chapman, believing him to be their master. With both of these mages dead, the vampyres will be searching for a blood relative to attach to as new masters and devour.

Rise of the Revenants - by Poppy Dennison

Taz has taken on the challenge of locating Chapman's descendants and it's not an easy job. He meets Darren at one of the abandoned houses Taz wants to search, and, together, they defeat a vampyre who is also

searching. Well, Taz defeats him, Darren provides some distraction. Turns out that Darren is an electrician who works for John Chapman and one of the guys killed when the construction opened up the vampyres' underground tomb was a close friend, and Darren decided to poke around a little. After sharing dinner, talking, and agreeing the attraction goes both ways, Taz reluctantly agrees to allow Darren to come with him and watch his back. It's better than Darren going off by himself and since John is out of the country, the best they can do is try to kill these vampyres.

Taz and Darren end up fighting vampyres with a couple of John's crews working on houses. It was exciting, but also kind of cute, to see the big old construction guys whaling away with hammers, screwdrivers, and whatever else they could get their hands on. Unfortunately, Taz, Darren, and some of the guys are outside killing vampyres, and inside the house a really big poltergeist is hanging on. No wonder the crew had nothing but bad luck at this house. John shows up, but clearly has no idea he's a mage, or what to do to help. And, as if that's not enough, a rogue werewolf smells Taz and wants him to come on out of the house and fight. Taz isn't having a good day. *grins*

Poppy, my friend, this was genius. Pure, unadulterated genius. All of it, really, but the construction guys? Loved them, especially the two older supervisors who just started making a plan while Taz was just standing there with his mouth open wondering how it all got away from him. I adored Taz and Darren. They're great together and really, really hot. So, turns out Taz has found a place to settle down, stay with Darren, help John, and the whole group will work on keeping the boo wiggles out of Detroit.

Legacy of Blood and Death - by Rhys Ford

Javi gets the more difficult job of trying to track down a living relative of the Mac Gerailt, the death mage, and he has to hope he, or she, hasn't followed in their ancestor's footsteps. He finds Ciarnan Mac Gerailt, his dark faerie familiar, Shaddock, and his white wolf mix, Elric. Or perhaps I should say, Ciarnan finds Javi and, in the midst of trying to save Ciarnan from a vampyre, Ciarnan knocks Javi out with a shovel. Yes, it was kind of funny. When Javi wakes up, Ciarnan has given him a little something homeopathic, which is nudging Javi into a more truthful state of mind. The things that came out of his mouth. There was no kind of here, it was funny. Very funny.

Ciarnan no longer practices magic. It's an addiction he walked away from after almost killing himself and Shaddock, and, in fact, leaving Ciarnan with a shattered right leg. When Javi explains the situation, Ciarnan will help, in any way he can, but he won't use his magic. He can't. He's too afraid of opening that part of himself up again, the ecstasy of feeling the magic running through him is worse than any drug addiction. Unfortunately Javi knows that Ciarnan is going to have to perform some magic in order to summon the remaining vampyres to them. But Javi also knows Ciarnan has something none of his relatives have ever had. A conscience and a soul, and Javi is going to make sure Ciarnan has someone to hang onto.

As always, Rhys has given me an excellent story which, I'm sure, I'll be chewing over many times in years to come. The action and the magic are excellent, on par with this author's slightly bent look at the world, as is the humor. Dude? The numbing gel? Hellmouth Barbie? I know, right? The descriptive writing is so incredible, I could actually see all of this in my mind's eye.

Thank you to both authors for the epilogue and my happy ever afters. I may have waded through vampyre guts with you, but I still wanted that happy ending. Excellent book!

Ann says

Horrifically good . . .

Prologue: The prologue is a smidge confusing at first and I really don't think it's just me. Although, it could totally be me, but I kind of doubt it. There are a couple of pages that set up the scene in the basement of the speakeasy, but you really don't have any facts you can relate to just yet, so it was a bit of a mystery as to what was actually going down. In the next bit we meet the MC's of the two upcoming stories, Taz and Javi and learn their roles in Creature Feature 2. After you read their setup, go back and read the first couple of pages again and you'll be good. Basically, Taz and Javi are looking for two dudes, the descendants of a couple of mages who they believe the revenants will flock to now that they've escaped out into the world.

Rise of the Revenants by Poppy Dennison

Wow, what a ride. A horrifyingly bloody and really super fun ride. I'm not a fan of sparkly-Dom-hero-type vampires and there is NOTHING like that in Rise of the Revenants. These are the kind of vampirical creatures I like. Single minded and zombie like, these guys are a nightmare. They aren't vampires, they're vampyres. The "y" is evil. Taz Cohen is a werewolf hunter, but he's called in to help with the epic infestation of Detroit. The whole city is in danger and no one really knows what flavor apocalypse is coming, just that it's gonna be a doozy if Taz and Javi can't stop it yesterday.

The sites where vampire activity is the strongest have one thing in common and that commonality leads Taz to meet Darren. Darren is an electrician's apprentice recovering from a broken heart and is just a really nice guy. Darren and Taz have some serious sparks between them, but a vampyre apocalypse isn't optimal to begin a new relationship. Doesn't mean they can't release a little tension in the meantime though. We all enjoyed that. All kinds of action and mayhem ensue and it was a tense and engaging read. I had a lot of fun reading how Taz, Darren and the crew battled the baddies.

It did get a little confusing at times and I think for me it was just because there were a lot of characters introduced in a short period of time and given the length of the story I didn't get a chance to get them all settled in my head before we were under attack again. The wrap up was quick and I would have liked more resolution for Taz and Darren. I was told they were going to be happy, I just didn't get a chance to see it. I liked both characters a lot and I wanted that for them.

Legacy of Blood and Death by Rhys Ford

You know who writes some great fucking horror stories?

Rhys Ford, that's who. I love the demented shit that flows from her keyboard and Legacy of Blood and Death was no exception. The vampyre ?<----heed the horror of the "y", hunt continues and now we're getting Javi's half of the tale. Javi's story runs concurrently with Taz's, so a lot of bad is going down at one time in Rock City and if these two can't figure out how to stop it with the help of the mage's descendants then apocalyptic type hell will be raining down on the city in the form of bloodthirsty vampyres.

Ciarnan is a "reformed" blood mage who quit magic when some bad shit went down and he lost everyone near to him, everyone except for Shaddock, his dark fae sidekick. She was wounded badly and Ciarnan sacrificed his own healing to save her. After that he gave up the addictive and destructive nature of the magic and lived a quiet life with Shaddock and Elric, his ever patient wolf/dog protector. There isn't a lot of detail

about what happened to make Ciarnan quit. There was enough information inferred so I knew enough to understand why. I would have liked to read about it though. Rhys Ford writes epic horror battles (Hellsinger anyone?) so I know it would be a goodie.

Javi tracks down Ciarnan and he's nothing like Javi expected. He's not evil, he's slightly broken and he's hot like the noon day sun. As expected and much like Taz and Darren, sparks fly, but these two also have their hands full trying to stop the onslaught of vampyres. Remember that this is going on at the same time as Taz's story, so they have no idea how many vampyres are still loose so there is always an air of tension and doom even after a vampyre goes down. They manage to find some comfort while they gear up for the showdown, and I was a big fan yet again. Said showdown was bloody and gory and scary and I LOVED it.

Epilogue:

I'm really glad there was an epilogue to bring the four men together at the end. Our MC's live to fight and love another day and plans are made for the future.

This was an excellent pair of horror stories and you definitely need to know that they are horror stories before you dive in. There is romance, but when doom and a possible apocalypse are hanging over your head it's hard to start a romance in the traditional sense. So, keeping that in mind I want you to be able to appreciate what great stuff is in here without looking for what isn't. I completely enjoyed the whole package and would highly recommend it for a unique take on all things horrific and sexy.

ItsAboutTheBook says

Review can be read at It's About The Book

This is a great collaboration between Poppy Dennison and Rhys Ford. The first chapter sets up the premise for the stories, which are then told separately. The writing styles are very different, but each fits the individual story perfectly.

A construction crew opens a wall in a long-abandoned house and finds a horror waiting for them. They become the first meal in decades for a kiss of vampyres locked away with the bodies of Pierce Chapman and the Mac Gerailt, a life mage and a death mage, who fought to the death in a battle between good and evil. Now the vampyres are loose and Taz Cohen and Javi Navarro need to find and kill them before the vamps can hunt down the descendants of the two mages who died in the basement with them.

Poppy's story concerns the descendant of Pierce Chapman. Taz Cohen is officially a werewolf hunter called in on this job to help out, so he's already a little out of his depth. He goes looking for John Chapman, Pierce's great-grandson, who should have inherited Pierce's powers. Taz starts visiting the addresses of buildings owned by John, and meets a hottie named Darren, one of John's employees, but before he can get any useful information, he and Darren have to battle a vampire. Once that's taken care of, Taz learns that Darren not only works for John, but that the crew who discovered the vamps was working at one of John's properties. There have been strange occurrences at other properties as well, and Darren had decided to do a little investigating, which was why he had been where Taz found him. John is out of town and it's too late to call Darren's supervisor, so they are going to have to wait until morning to get any more information. They

decide to visit some of the other properties to see if they can find more vamps, but have no luck, so they end up back at Taz's hotel where they get to know one another a whole lot better. They eventually get in touch with Pete, Darren's supervisor, and go to see the house Darren's crew has been working on. Things start to get very interesting when a poltergeist, a rogue werewolf and two vamps all show up. To make things even more complicated, Taz learns that John is back in town but completely unaware of the danger waiting for him. John comes to the house and hears the whole story, but has no idea if he has magical powers or how to use them if he does. Vamps are drawn to the house by John's presence, but will he be able to figure out how to use his latent powers? And do Taz and Darren have a solid enough start on which to build something lasting?

The story by Rhys tells Javi's side of the hunt. He's gone looking for this generation's Mac Gerailt, heir to the death mage who created the vampyres. Information leads him to Ciarnan Mac Gerailt who, contrary to Javi's expectations, is not a warlock reveling in his dark powers, but a recluse whose only companions are his dog and his familiar, a death fae named Shaddock. Their initial meeting is notable for Javi showing up just in time to destroy a vamp Ciarnan is trying to kill with a shovel, and getting whacked in the head with said shovel. Ciarnan has no real choice but to take the unconscious Javi into his home and wait for him to wake up. He goes through Javi's belongings, discovering that Javi is a hunter and, also, how he was able to find Ciarnan. Javi finally wakes up and meets his host. His first impression is that Ciarnan is smoking hot, an opinion he blurts out due to the influence of whatever Ciarnan had given him for pain. He tells Ciarnan the story of the work crew, the discovery of the location of the final battle between the mages, and Javi's part in the subsequent hunt. Ciarnan affirms Taz and Javi's theory that the vamps are drawn to the blood of the respective mages, but when Javi asks him to use magic to summon the vamps, he refuses, telling Javi that he no longer practices and dare not start again. Javi is less than impressed by Ciarnan's refusal, but doesn't have time to waste arguing since it's obvious from sounds outside that vamps are attacking people on the street below. They go out together to fight the vamps, and manage to kill another one. Battered and filthy, they return to Ciarnan's apartment where they finally act on their attraction. Ciarnan realizes that he can't refuse to perform the ritual to summon the vamps and tells Javi of his decision, hoping that what he and Javi have found together is enough to keep him from succumbing to the darkness.

I really enjoyed this book. As I said earlier, the writing styles are different but definitely complementary and make this an excellent read. I would definitely recommend this to fans of Poppy and Rhys as well as anyone who enjoys an original twist on a familiar theme. You won't be disappointed.

Lorraine says

3.5

Kira says

a hell of a lot of fun with excellent world building between the two authors!

i certainly wouldn't mind seeing these characters turned into a series

John Inman says

Interesting, well-written, sexy, and fun. A good read. Poppy Dennison and Rhys Ford are fine writers. Think I'll take a gander through their backlog and see what else I can find to entertain myself.

Morgan Skye says

Rise of the Revenants:

Taz is a hunter of werewolves (not shifters) and now vampyres (kind of like zombies but with more reasoning ability). Some old and powerful witches made these vampyres and now it is up to Taz (and later Javi) to clean up the mess.

Darren is a construction worker who happens to be working on sites that these vampyres are haunting. We find out there are no such things as coincidences, and there's a reason for the vampyre's location choices. Darren has lost a friend to their attacks so he is devoted to the idea of taking them down. It helps that he and Taz are super attracted to one another and that by chipping in he gets to help keep Taz close and safe.

This story "bleeds" into the next and at the end Darren and Taz have won the battle if not the war and are headed toward a future together.

Legacy of Blood:

Javi is a hunter of vampyres and is hot on the trail of one of the descendants of the witches that created the monsters. When he meets him he finds a powerful witch who no longer practices because he's afraid of what his power can do. He convinces him to help as a layman and the two plan a trap for the "ticks". Along the way, the two manage to find lots of common ground and chemistry together. When the final battle occurs, our boys are victorious and Javi and Ciarnan plan on sticking together to fight for Detroit's future. We also find that Taz and Darren are still together and planning a future in Detroit as well.

Both stories were pretty detail oriented, laying lots of back-story, and focused a lot on the battle/action. I am hoping this is because there is a series planned? (Would be awesome!) The ending certainly leaves it wide open for such an occurrence.

Taz and Darren's story isn't as sweet or loving as Ciarnan and Javi, but you definitely feel their feels, and trust that they have a future together.

Rhys, in the way that she does so well, manages to throw the Kincaids (Hellingers) into her story and maybe we can see a cross over in the future.

There are also lots of "hunter" references, both boys drive Chargers and Javi can't understand why anyone would drive an Impala unless it was to get busy in the back seat.

Both stories are funny, full of action and some hot sex and all around fascinating tales.

This gets released just in time for Halloween, and I highly recommend it with 4.5 of 5 hearts.

Kara says

Rise Of The Revenants~ Rating: 5 Stars

What can I say about this story... You get Taz a badass hunter of paranormal beings who also is one of the best dirty talkers I have read in a book in awhile. I mean some of the things he said to Darren I could not help thinking Damn!!! You mix in a co-workers/ friends of Darren's and you have a awesome story with a lot of vampires, poltergeist mixed in with a werewolf rogue. All together I loved this story!

Legacy Of Blood and Death~ Rating: 5 Stars

So with this one you get Javi Taz's friend who is also a hunter of all things paranormal who is trying to stop the rise of all the vampires. Then you get Ciarnan the blood mage who could bring the end of the world with his magic if he felt like it but chooses to be good.. I loved his character the way he came across as caring because he did not want to hurt his friends but the way he was also so strong and knew his own powers and what he was capable of. The way these two were together was awesome and if I had one complaint it would be I just wished to see more of them together. All together I really loved this story too!

So I will leave this review with I loved both of these stories!

I would definitely recommend this book!

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Joyfully Jay says

A Joyfully Jay review.

4.25 stars

Creature Feature 2 is a two-story anthology by authors Poppy Dennison and Rhys Ford.

The book opens with a prologue that sets up both stories for us. A construction crew digging in Detroit uncovers a nest of vampyres that have been trapped for 100 years. Two powerful mages, one good and one evil, fought to the death years before. The death mage, Mac Gerailt, created the vampyres in an attempt to rule over the humans. And the good mage, Pierce Chapman, tried to stop him. When the crew uncovers the vampyres, they go on a bloody rampage and escape out into the city.

Hunters Taz Cohen and Javi Navarro are called in to get rid of the vampyres. They realize the vampyres are seeking out Mac and Pierce's descendants in an attempt to get as close to their blood line as possible. So the men split up, each seeking a relative of one of the mages, in hopes to eliminate the problem.

I really liked the set up here for this book and think the shared foundation really helps both connect the stories nicely. We already know all the background from the prologue so it allows us to jump in faster to the individual stories and pulls the anthology together well.

Read Jay's review in its entirety here.

Secretobcession says

4.5 Stars.

To be honest, I had a hard time getting through the Prologue & the Rise of the Revenants pre-chapters that started the book. BUT...I'm so glad I gave it a chance and pushed through. I loved how there was truly 2 novellas intertwined into 1 combined novel. They meshed well together in the end. But, with the 2 well known & loved authors at the helm, you expected nothing less than a smooth ride to the end. They also put a very interesting twist on the definition of a classic horror character...the Vampire.

Disclaimer...I've been on a several week book-hangover recently...after having read Rhys' Absinthe of Malice and Tj Klune's Wolfsong...I can't seem to fully engage my interest into the subsequent books I read. Not a bad thing to love a book, but I want to enjoy the next book(s) too.

Tina says

Great authors. Did not like the level of details with all of the gore. However, the fact that I chose to push through to read the stories should speak to how great of writers they are.
