Addict [The Cassie Tam Files Book 1]

Lesbian / Sci-Fi / Detective

AWARDS

Honourable Mention in the 'Lesbian Sci-Fi' category

Rainbow Awards 2017

https://elisa-rolle.livejournal.com/3617909.html

NOTE: Books two and three in the series has also received honourable mentions in the same category.

REVIEWS

At time of writing, Addict holds an average rating of **4.02 Stars** over **82 ratings/reviews** on Goodreads. You can see the full list here: https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/34815046-addict. Below are a sample of reviews from professional book bloggers and authors.

Dark and gritty with the heavy feel of old-fashioned PI sagas, Cassie's life is anything but circa 1950 as science fiction, sexual diversity, and high tech addictions are front and center for this tough-on-the-outside PI with a tarnished heart of gold.

5 Stars from Tome Tender

https://tometender.blogspot.com/2018/08/addict-by-matt-doyle-cassie-tam-files-1.html

I definitely recommend this book to anyone that likes a good cop drama mystery, but with an added sci-fi element. I definitely could not have predicted how the crime unfolded…and the main character is a kick-ass lesbian PI, so that's awesome.

5 Stars from The Aspiring Author Blog

https://aspiringauthorblog.blogspot.com/2019/01/book-review-of-addict-by-matt-doyle.html

Addict boasts the staples of a Matt Doyle project: A detailed and sprawling world, coupled with complex characters, that learning more about is just as interesting as the immersive world they live in. I don't remember the last time I devoured a book in one sitting like I did this one, but *Addict* was one of the best reads of the year so far for me. I'll be impatiently...I mean eagerly waiting to see what comes next for Caz and co.

5 Stars from Donte McNeal (Author of 'The Family: The Brotherhood)

https://www.goodreads.com/review/show/1995794994

I absolutely love Science Fiction, but I have to admit, Addict belongs in a new category; Sci-fi just doesn't do the words within his pages justice. The best I can do for a review is say "If you don't read his books, you haven't read Sci-fi yet."

5 Stars from Boundless Book Reviews

https://www.goodreads.com/review/show/2152040626

I liked a lot the combination of a mainly detective story with sci-fi elements (which are not only believable but interesting and thought-provoking), a retro/nostalgia feeling, diverse MC and a F/F relationship. Everything fits nicely within the story and it is well balanced for my taste: not too much romance distracting from the main plot, well explained and relevant sci-fi elements, an interesting mystery with twists and turns and a satisfying ending.

5 Stars from Miss Honeybug Reviews

https://misshoneybug.wordpress.com/2018/06/22/addict-by-matt-doyle/

There was plenty of world-building that added to the story rather than distracting from it. *Addict* is a nice escapist type read, but one that also makes you consider aspects of the real world in a new way. I really admired Cassie's personality and look forward to hopefully reading more of her stories in the future.

4.5 Stars from The Story Salve

https://www.goodreads.com/review/show/2036310362

What I found most interesting about this story was the complex, well put together plot, and the wonderful technology introduced like Tech Shifting. It was an absolutely fascinating read, with a strong story, and very well written. I loved the characters and their dynamic, and can't wait to read more about both Cassie and Lori because they were refreshingly different to any characters I have read before.

5 Stars from Carol Hutchinson

https://www.goodreads.com/review/show/2818301410

I couldn't help thinking about Marele Day's *The Life and Crimes of Harry Lavender* quite a lot whilst I was reading ADDICT. Though a rather different beast from Harry Lavender, ADDICT is intelligent and fresh in much the same way Day's book was in the late 80s. Set in the near future, Addict combines the engrossing, tenebrous elements of 1930s noir crime fiction with the spectacle and possibility of science fiction. The characters are engaging and memorable, slowly building relationships and inviting us into their psyches. Setting and atmosphere are amongst the strongest elements of ADDICT. By the end of the novel, I felt connected to the city of New Hopeland. I understood its history, its evolution, and it's almost fetishist underbelly, where even crime is driven by zealotry. I'd have no reservations recommending this book!

5 Stars from Rebecca Langham (Rainbow Award Winning Author of lesbian fiction)

http://www.rebeccalangham.com.au/celestial-book-reviews/review-addict-by-matt-doyle

It was like reading a Sam Spade pulp book and watching Blade Runner at the same time.

4 Stars from E.M. Hamill (Author of 'Dali')

https://www.goodreads.com/review/show/2000083187

The detective plot is tight and well-paced, with an interesting range of suspects and motives, and the futuristic technology is seeded nicely throughout the action in order to give just enough detail without slowing things down. This is definitely one for my personal wishlist and I would recommend it to anyone who likes urban fantasy but with a sci-fi focus and murder-mystery plot.

4 Stars from Bookshines and Readbows

https://bookshineandreadbows.wordpress.com/2018/09/30/addict-matt-doyle/

Addict is not just a lesbian P.I. sci-fi, it is an action packed exploration of personal dichotomies and the secrets we are able to keep. I would really recommend this book for people who are after an entertaining and emotionally engaging read. Also if you're a fan of sci fi, P.I., or lesbian genre reads, then definitely give *Addict* a go!

4 Stars from Ally's Appraisals

https://allysappraisals.com/2018/10/14/addict-by-matt-doyle/

This fairly quick read is an interesting take on the future of several present-day pastimes and communities. It's well-constructed and detailed, but not so much that the plot becomes lost in the world-building. I liked Cassie right from the start. She's complex and flawed yet not unlikable. For a good, old-fashioned mystery with a high-tech twist, a likable hero, and romance that didn't get in the way, this gets 4 stars.

4 Stars from A.M. Liebowitz

https://www.goodreads.com/review/show/2139681889