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She carries more than elemental powers. In 'Air', the sequel to 'Water' of the Akasha Series, Kaitlyn has a secret. One she won't be able to hide much longer. As the strongest Gaia the planet has ever seen, she must face mankind's greatest enemy as he campaigns for 'One Less: Depopulation'. Everything depends on Kaitlyn fully embracing her role as Gaia. Her family. The Seven. The Earth. Something has to give, and it won't be Kaitlyn.

'Air' is the second book of the Akasha Series.

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Sarah says

(Source: I received a digital copy of this book for free on a read-to-review basis. Thanks to author Terra Harmony.)

This is book 2 in the 'Akasha' series, and picks up a short while after the end of book 1 'Water'. **Warning – may contain some unavoidable spoilers for book 1**

Kaitlyn has a major life change coming up following the events of the previous book, and she's not sharing it with the rest of the team, even though they're going to notice sooner or later.

Instead the team are focusing on tracking down Shawn, and working out exactly what he's up to, and exactly where he is. This proves to be even more difficult than they expected, but with Shawn leaving them clues to his location, are they walking into a trap?

When will Kaitlyn's secret come out though? How will everyone react? What exactly is Shawn planning? And is there a method to his madness?

This was a great second instalment to this series, and once again blended a mix of different ideas.

Kaitlyn has matured following the events of the previous book, but she remains a real fire-cracker, and continues to fight for her own independence and what she wants to do. Kaitlyn is definitely not one to back down from a fight, and although she does sometimes avoid difficult conversations, this isn't to her own detriment.

There wasn't quite so much romance in this book, partly due to a secret that Kaitlyn was hiding, but Micha persisted in protecting and fighting for Kaitlyn, and it was obvious how much they cared for one another. There was once again both consensual and non-consensual sex scenes in this book, but again I thought that the author handled these more difficult scenes well, and managed to get this part of the storyline over without making the reader feel uncomfortable, which for me was important.

Once again this book had a unique mix of storylines, with romance, action, magic, and an environmental message. I felt that the science parts of this story were much more ingrained than they were in the first book, and fitted in with the other storylines really well. It can't be easy to mix such different themes together in one story, but the author seems to not only manage this, but to actually improve on it in this second book.

There was a fair bit of action at the end of this book, along with some twists, an unexpected death, and a very strange and risky decision made by Kaitlyn right at the end. I'm not sure where the author is going with this, but it will certainly be interesting to see what happens to Kaitlyn in the next instalment 'Fire'.

Overall; a pretty unique series, with romance, action, magic, and the elements/environment, and a feisty leading lady.

8 out of 10.

Laura says

I realy do love this series, this book is even beter than the first with more action, an amazing showdown with the 'bad guys' and an ending that left me longing for the next book and wishing i could read it now rather than having to wait untill october. Kaitlyn is the type of strong female lead characters that i love in books, not content to sit and let other people fight her battles for her shes tough and willing to fight even heavily pregnant. This book is great and i am going to be eagerly awaiting the release of 'fire' in october.

Jennifer says

****PLEASE NOTE: IF YOU HAVE NOT READ WATER YET, THERE WILL BE A COUPLE OF SPOILERS IN THIS REVIEW****

Ahh...Terra Harmony. Terra's writing is a breath of fresh AIR (see that? what I did there? ok enough of the corny jokes ;)) Let me just put this out there, Terra Rocks! Her eco-fantasy Akasha series is now half way through with the release of Air. The first book Water totally blew me away, Air amazed me. Such an interesting combination of eco and fantasy that is working quite well.

Air picks up right where Water left off. Kaitlyn is getting to that uncomfortable point of her pregnancy, no one knows but Susan. Shawn is still up to his dirty plans. Kaitlyn and Micah are barely speaking. Kaitlyn is having weird dreams. Then Vayu shows up and no one seems quiet happy to see him. I personally got a kick out of him, for about the first half of the book anyways. So, The Seven is hot on Shawn's trail but always seem to be one step behind. Then they get word of a wildfire in Australia, and knowing it is the work of Shawn, head there to do their thing.

When Micah AND Shawn find out about Kaitlyn being preggo, I was cracking up. Terra's writing is so descriptive and engaging I could see this scene playing out in my head as I was reading. Not sure who the baby belongs to (remember Shawn had kidnapped Kaitlyn in Water and was a naughty little man) Micah steps up, once again proclaiming his love for Kaitlyn and the baby.

Left at the Chakra with Alex while the rest of the team are following leads, Kaitlyn has a lot of preparing, research, and studying to do. Which also leaves some time for her to get into mischief, what else would you expect?

We also get to know Susan a little better, which made me really happy cause I've really grown to like her. She is a God-send for Kaitlyn, the sister she never had.

The show down occurs in the last few chapters. I am not going to go into details. I don't want to spoil it for anyone. The ending had me so mad (again, you will have to read it to understand why) but needing more...STAT! (Don't worry, I gave Terra a little nudge ;))

Terra has created an awesome story line with characters that come to life within the pages. Water was easy to read but filled with action, suspense, and laugh out loud moments. Air was no different. Actually it was better because you are familiar with the story line. I feel like I know these characters personally. This is my favorite series by a female author (yes even over Amanda Hocking, who is in a close second). Go ahead and give this series a try, I don't think you will be disappointed!

Lola says

I got a copy for review in exchange for an honest review.

I really liked this book. It is even better than the first book. I really liked the world and the story was really great. I liked that Terra Harmony created her own genre, eco-fantasy, and such an original story with this series. Where Water was still a bit of an introduction to the world, Air takes us right into the story. Kaithlin is pregnant and the Seven wants to find and Shawn. But Shawn has his own plans and plans.

This book has a fantastic story and I enjoyed every minute of it. I have to admit that some parts were a bit slow paced, but the story kept interesting and I just wanted to keep reading. And I really like Terra Harmony's writing style. The story is also pretty unpredictable, I was again and again surprised by twists I didn't see coming.

The only minor point of this story was the fact that Kaithlin is pregnant and this limits her ability to do certain things. So this book contains less action and less romance and more dealing with her pregnancy. I also think that sometimes the focus of this book was a bit too much on Kaithlin and her pregnancy.

The characters develop some more in this book and I really liked most of them. We get to see more of Alex in this book and I really liked him. We are also introduced to some new characters and of course we get to know more about Kaithlin and Micah. They again have obstacles to overcome in their relationship. I liked seeing how the characters developed and changed in this book.

I just really like this story. It is a story I keep thinking about and I really want to read the rest of this series and read what happens next. It is such an interesting world and a great story. What I also like is that it is obvious that the author spent much time researching facts, there are real events that happened to which is referred in this book and this makes it even more believable, even though it is a fantasy story.

To conclude: I really liked this book, it was even better than Water and I really enjoyed reading it. I liked the story and seeing the characters develop. The only thing I didn't like was the focus on Kaithlin's pregnancy, but I understand that this is an important part of the book. I would surely recommend this series to people who like original fantasy stories or even people who care about saving the world, because this story is a strange combination of both interests.

Pamela says

If you've not read Water, book 1, it's probably best that you don't read this review as it's likely to spoil the story a bit. This is certainly one series that you need to read in order.

In this book, Kaitlyn is hiding the fact that she is pregnant from everyone except Susan, Micah's sister, because being that Susan's element is water, she could tell that Kaitlyn was pregnant. In fact, Susan was the one to initially tell Kaitlyn. But in book 1, Water, Shawn had kidnapped and raped her repeatedly while holding her hostage so she's afraid that the baby may be Shawn's and not Micah's. That's one of the reasons she keeps putting off telling anyone, especially Micah. With a little help from Susan, however, the secret is revealed not only to Micah but to Shawn as well.

Now Kaitlyn not only has to deal with being pregnant but her and the rest of the Seven are trying to locate Shawn and put a stop to his plans. While trying to train for battle and study up on anything that will help her learn how to control the other elements that she's not very familiar with, Kaitlyn does something that she thinks will help her greatly, but it has some negative side effects she didn't expect.

I felt that the book started out a little slow, perhaps, but apart from that I absolutely loved the interaction between Kaitlyn and Alex, who is the only non-magical one of the bunch. I found myself laughing out loud at some of the things Alex did or said. As for Kaitlyn, there was a time or two where I felt like she needed smacked up side the head for the things that she'd do that ended up backfiring on her. After all, she's pregnant and although she cares very much about her baby, she did things that really could have been harmful.

The book certainly picked up though and was a roller coaster of a ride. It's action packed with betrayals, secrets revealed, a serious battle, humor, romance, and a pretty major cliffhanger. I very much enjoyed the story and can't wait to read the third book in the series.

NOTE: I received a copy of Air from the author in exchange for a review of book 1 in the Akasha series, Water.

Steph at Starry Night Book Reviews says

Kaitlyn is hiding something huge from everyone, she's pregnant and the only one that knows is Micah's sister Susan. Not by her choice though Susan's element is water so she can tell that Kaitlyn is Pregnant. In Water book 1 Shawn had kidnapped and raped her repeatedly while holding her hostage so she's afraid that the baby may be Shawn's and not Micah's. That's one of the reasons she is hiding the baby. Since she refuses to tell anyone about the baby she still has to go out on missions hoping nothing happens to the baby or herself.

When an Air element comes to stay with them he learns of her secret very fast, and has promised to keep it. But what happens when the person you thought was your friend betrays you in the end? What would you do to keep you and your baby safe from everyone who may or may not want one of you dead?

The book certainly picked with action, betrayals, secrets revealed, battles, humor and even more romance! The cliffhanger Is a real killer though and I am dying for the Next book in the series! I loved Air and I hope that you will fall in love with it as much as I did.

Millie says

[pregnant (hide spoiler)]

Tanja (Tanychy) St. Delphi/James says

Review also posted @ Ja ?itam, a ti?

NOTE! This review will contain spoilers if you haven't read first book in series Water!

Although this book has its ups and downs it is really good sequel after Water. In Water focus was on elements more than relations between people. We still continue to discover new things about elements and here the focus is on air. Just to explain, even though every book in series is named after one of the elements, it doesn't necessarily mean that whole book is only focused on that element. Focus is always on all of them and balance between them. So as I was saying this book is a bit different, because here story tells about Kaitlyn's feelings and her condition.

In Air the story continues. After saving Kaitlyn, Micah and the rest of the team are trying to find Shawn. They're back home and they're trying to do their best to find him. For Kaitlyn things are harder than usual. She's been through a lot, but also she has one more thing to carry and that is her baby. She is trying to hide it, but she can't hide it for long. Soon enough Micah finds out and things have to change for her. We also meet Alex better here, btw he is really great character in this book. After a lot of things they are going to face with their biggest enemy.

What makes this book really good is that you never know what's coming next. Really a lot of things in this book I couldn't imagine. One of them is the end. It's completely logical and reasonable but still I didn't see that coming. One little thing that could have been better (if you ask me) is the relationship between Kaitlyn and Micah. I miss emotions there, whereas when I read Shawn's name I have no problem with killing him over and over again in my head.

All in all, this is still great and unusually series for me. Therefore I can't wait to get my arc of Fire!

Alicia says

Air went by a lot faster than Water did – I read the two books back to back and the nice thing is that Air picks up pretty quickly after Water finishes.

A lot of the issues I had with Air are the same ones I had with Water – Kaitlyn forgives Micah way too easily for some things – such as planning on letting Shawn kidnap her again without her knowing, even though she has obviously been so traumatized that she cannot even talk to him about what happened while she was trapped.

Kaitlyn's pregnancy was the main focus in this book, and the unborn child was an interesting character who was actually able to actively affect the plot in a lot of ways. The only problem was that by focusing on the pregnancy it changed the tone of the book and then to have K suddenly go and run around on a mission when she is 8 months pregnant was just plain absurd. I cannot understand how Micah would let that happen.

The beginning of the book started out pretty slow and then suddenly at the end K was heading out to a mission during her 8th month. The pacing in the book was a bit odd to me, but

At first the thing with the shades was a bit confusing – I didn't like the initial description of the event, but I loved what happened with them afterwards – especially Sarah's little coup d'état.

Overall, it is an interesting series, sometimes some of the plot holes/jumps that are made are frustrating, and I am really not too sure about the relationship between Kaitlyn and Micah (I can see the heat but unlike other literary couples the out-of-bed interactions feel a bit off).

I really hope with the next book that the author fleshes out Micah a bit more, I really do want to like him, but his actions are just making it a bit hard (one minute he plans on using her as bait to capture their enemy

without her knowing the next he tells her they are getting married the next day and then goes off for four months while she is pregnant). I feel like Kaitlyn is a well developed character and as the series goes on we are slowly learning more about the secondary characters, but I wish we knew more about them now so that I would care about them more, right now the only one that I particularly like is Alex and even then most of his scenes are spent reemphasizing that he is the best friend/shoulder to lean on/tech guy. It is just frustrating that Alex is always worried about Kaitlyn doing something dangerous and Micah disapproving only to have Micah go and put her in worse situations.

Nevaeh Lee says

The greatest compliment I can give this book is that I downloaded "Fire" (the third book in the series) the minute after I finished this one. I was totally floored by the ending and absolutely have to know what will happen next, which I will be doing right after I finish this review ;o).

I guess I should back up a bit though and tell you why I liked this book. Like "Water" before it, "Air" is well-written and the characters engaging. I have learned to expect the unexpected with this series, so I'm always curious what will happen next. This is a pleasant change from the many books I've read recently where I can almost guess the ending not long after the beginning. Definitely not the case here. There's no telling where the author will go in the next one, but I'm not waiting to find out!

***I received a copy of this book in exchange for a fair and honest review.

Karie says

Awww... I just finished Air and I can't believe it ended like that. Once again with the cliffhangers! Why couldn't Kaitlyn figure out earlier that she was in labor before she decided to run off on her own. I really like Micah he is such a sweetheart why can't they just go off together? Now I have to patiently wait for Fire to come out. Ugh can October come faster please?

Natshane says

After experiencing through the jaw dropping cliffhanger in Water, I had my jaw reset and was too excited to continue where the story left off, only to have another cliffhanger that had me running to the doctors again.

If Water was amazing, Air pushed the boundaries of epic. I thought it was impossible to love the story and the characters even more, but Air proved me wrong. I learned to not expect anything when I'm reading Terra's books because she will completely blindsight you! One thing I love about the characters, especially Kaitlyn and Micah, is how impulsive they could be. You could hardly figure out their next move and certainly not from the Queen of Spontaneity - Kaitlyn. I had numerous Oh-my-god moments throughout the

book and the story was a book of unpredictable twists.

Originality, the prime reason why The Akasha series appeals to me so much. I was impressed by the new terms that was introduced in Water, I just couldn't understand how Terra could come up with the unthinkable . I mean, who installs GPS in trees? Terra Harmony raised environmental awareness in style! And that is what I liked about it.

Kaitlyn has officially become my idol. Impulsive, kickass and straightforward, Kaitlyn is what I am looking for in a heroine. I like her attitude of 'No Bullshitting' and 'Cutting straight to the point', she was not afraid to stand up for herself or take things into her own hand. After the shocking announcement that she was pregnant, Kaitlyn changed from a young lady becoming a Gaia to a mum. A transition that I never expected to see from Kaitlyn. I love the extreme measures that Kaitlyn would take for the safety of her baby.

And Terra ended the story with one of her signature style. CLIFFHANGER. I swear, someone should present an award to Terra with the title 'Queen of Cliffhangers'. If you hate cliffhanger endings, then I believe Terra could change your mind. I am not exaggerating.

Terra makes elemental powers sounds so cool. What's not to like about the book?

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Natasha Anne
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Kel (Faerie-bookworm) says

Again a cliffhanger. AHHHH!!! And I have to wait for the next one. Harmony has done such a great job with this new world. I can't get enough of it. The read is so engaging that it's over before you even know it. Kaitlyn's strength amazes me, she leans on Micah too much I think but as soon as he leaves she steps up. I look forward to the next book so I can find out who is the father of her baby, and see what other messes she gets into.

Mandy says

Holy cliffhanger!!! I almost screamed when I got to the end of the page and it said "to be continued"!!!!!!! It is just not fair to have to wait!!! There was not quite as much action in this book, but that doesn't mean it was boring!!! I loved learning more about the characters and their relationships with each other!!! Another great read from Terra and I CANNOT wait for the next book!!!

Sarah Oxford says

This book was provided to me in exchange for an honest and independent review.

I read this book straight off the back of reading book one and absolutely loved it. Whereas the first book was slow to get going due to being introduced to the powers/world, this book was all go from the start.

I really loved the pacing of this book. There was lots of action at the end but the whole book was full of the tension of the impending showdown. Even in the down times, when the team were merely researching or preparing, I felt on edge, anxious to see what was going to happen next and if they'd be alright. There was drama and intrigue throughout the book and the feeling of an ever present danger. The final action scene was brilliantly written. I felt how afraid yet determined they were and the confusion and horror of the battle. Oh and wow the ending took me by surprise!

As I mentioned in my review of the first book, the world in which these books is written is unique to me. Kaitlyn is a Gaia who can control the elements with the ultimate aim of maintaining/returning a balance in the environment. In book two there was a lot more detail in how Kaitlyn used her powers and the descriptions were powerful and beautiful. We learn even more about the powers in this book but at no point did I feel information overload. I think it was because of the way Kaitlyn learnt, through experience, experimentation and the Shades.

Kaitlyn is my hero! Or I guess I should say heroine. She is tough and determined but also can be moody, lazy and jealous. I love that! No perfect little 'always does the right thing but hard done to' main character. Sometimes she says something out loud that is a continuation of her own stream of consciousness and leaves everyone looking at her confused. It's great, her thoughts and words amuse me so much. You know what she's thinking and feeling, her priorities and heart are clear, but I was still taken by surprise by her actions. She is no push over, just a tough cookie determined to protect what's most precious to her. There's a lot of growth in her character in this book but the essentials remain; she's independent, full of spirit and determination and loves food. Hey don't we all?!

Shawn however is one evil *&\$*&*% and clearly somewhat unhinged. Rarely have I been so truly disgusted at a bad guy in a series before. I can see why Kaitlyn is so terrified of him and I was so anxious about him reaching her throughout the book. I couldn't believe how easily her friends put her in danger and was at times furious with them for it! I have to congratulate the author on the character because I truly am scared of him and it takes a lot to scare me.

As for the other characters, I found Alex, Cato and Susan well developed side characters but would like to see more of Micah. He seems a little volatile, sometimes pushy and other times affectionate with Kaitlyn. I want to fall in love with him and I'm pleased he isn't some perfect gentleman, I like a bit of spice and grit to my main characters, but I would like to see more love between them.

In summary, this is a brilliant second book in the series and I can't wait to read book 3! We learn so much more about the elements and about Kaitlyn who is one seriously strong no nonsense girl. I felt anxious for her through most of the book but she is just great and I love her. If you haven't read book 1 and are unsure about it because of the slow start, please persevere, you will be rewarded. Book one ends dramatically and book two continues where it finishes, and after the way book two ends I can tell book three will be just as exciting.
