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Filled with palpable suspense and a touch of romance, *In Harm's Way* is the final installment of the thrilling HEROES OF QUANTICO series.

Praise for Irene Hannon:

"Extraordinary writing, vivid scenes, and a surprise ending come together for a not-to-be-missed reading experience."--*Romantic Times*

"I found someone who writes romantic suspense better than I do."--Dee Henderson

In Harm's Way Details

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Kaylea says

I'll admit it. I fell in love with this series with the first book. I found the first book, Against All Odds, during a "wandering" trip through the local bookstore. The book cover caught my eye, along with an endorsement by Dee Henderson - author of the O'Malley series.

Since I LOVE most books by Henderson, an endorsement by her carried a lot of weight. So I shelled out the cash and bought the book.

Let's just say, I didn't sleep much that weekend. My experience was repeated when I found book two, An Eye For An Eye, on the shelves.

So when I was given a chance to read and review book three, In Harm's Way, and interview the author, I jumped at the chance.

I think, if you like romantic suspense, and enjoy reading books that highlight federal agents, I truly think you will enjoy this book and the series.

In terms of characters, Hannon has created a trio of guys - Coop, Mark and Nick - along with their female counterparts, that you'll fall in love with. You may even find yourself unable to put the book(s) down.

On a scale of 1 to 5, I rank these books at least a 4 to a 4.5. This book (along with the other two in the series) are definitely in my "read more than once" pile...along with books by Dee Henderson! Who knows, Hannon's series might find its way into your "keep" pile as well.

Stefanie says

Irene Hannon finished this series with a bang! I loved In Harm's Way!

This third book in the Heroes of Quantico Series was definitely my favorite of the series. An intense ride all the way through to the end!

Nick and Rachel were lovable, relatable characters and I was rooting for them both from the beginning. To start the book off with a kidnapping drew me in from page one! I may never look at a Raggedy Ann doll in the same way again.

A great read!

AlegnaB † says

This was not as interesting or suspenseful as the first book in the series. I wouldn't have missed anything if I had skipped this and the second book in the series.

A main character is without faith in God at the beginning of the story but is said to "come to faith in God"

and to be "growing in her faith in God" as the story progresses, but nothing is said about her trusting in Jesus. It irritates me when a Christian publisher leaves out the "Christ" part and makes it seem like someone can have a relationship with the one and only true God apart from faith in Jesus Christ.

Sarita says

Rating 3.5

I enjoyed this book like any other from Irene Hannon. I found I could never go wrong by picking up one of her romantic suspense books. This book was just not as strong for me on the suspense side (suspense only really picked up at 70%) - and a lot was obvious, which is why I went with the 3 star rating.

The theme of second chances and forgiveness came through strong and I loved Nick and Rachel's back story and their love story was very sweet. The epilogue was a bit cheesy, but at that stage I didn't mind because I came to love the characters and due to their past, they deserved a bit of cheesy romance. I also liked that Rachel's feelings toward the doll wasn't physical at all.

This was one of Irene's first suspense series, and I find her suspense to get stronger in her later books.

"a coincidence is a small miracle in which God chooses to remain anonymous."

Recommended to fans of romantic suspense. This book is especially suitable for people who like a bit of suspense but not too much, the focus was more on Rachel's past.

Janis Kay says

4.5 Stars

This reminded me of the show Criminal Minds. FBI, based in Quantico, criminal profiling...if you've seen the show, you know what I mean :) If you haven't seen it, and liked this book, you're in for a treat. I don't think I've ever read something so sinister as the prologue -I don't normally read suspense that has so many perspectives, so it took some getting used to. There is also a very interesting element (psychometry) in it that I believe is thoroughly explored and a mystery all its own. Anyway, this is a really great read and I recommend that you find it somewhere and become engrossed, like I did :)

Hannah says

I picked this up and couldn't put it down! This is one of my favorites of Hannon's so far. Nick is a delightful hero; with every reason to brush Rachel's senses off as odd or fake, he instead takes the time to listen and observe and give her a chance. Though he doesn't believe something could be connected with the mysterious doll, he finds himself asking about a reasonable way an object could elicit such a strange reaction. And...gingerly becoming her friend. Then he spots a match to the doll in a photo of a kidnapped baby, and Rachel is suddenly in grave danger, thanks to a persistent, misguided tabloid reporter. And there are some surprising discoveries with the kidnapped baby's family history...

I simply kept flipping pages on this book today, despite a car maintenance waiting room and work on my house. It's a delightful edge-of-your-seat crime drama, and one I'm very glad to have read.

Tamara Tilley says

IN HARM'S WAY is the icing on the cake in the Irene Hannon series, *Heroes of Quantico*. A magnetic read that I couldn't put down.

Rachel Sutton has had a difficult life, but chooses to live in the present. A busy teacher of piano and a muralist, her life is busy giving her no time to ponder her loneliness. An orphan when she was just an infant, she had no family to call her own so she immersed herself in her love of music and art. Her simple life changes when in an odd turn of events, she finds a Raggedy Ann doll buried in the snow. The minute she touches the doll she is overtaken by a strong current of fear. Not understanding what is happening to her, or why she's felt anxious the last few weeks, she goes to the FBI and finds it hard to explain the terror she feels when she touches the doll. Knowing she's made a fool of herself, she leaves, wishing she'd met the handsome FBI agent Nick Bradley under normal circumstances.

Special Agent Nick Bradley doesn't know what to make of Rachel Sutton's claim. She seems like a normal, intelligent woman, and even admits she doesn't believe in ESP or paranormal activity, but her explanation regarding the affect the doll has on her has him perplexed. He too, wishes they had met somewhere away from work, because the woman with the soulful brown eyes has definitely made an impression on him.

Rachel and Nick are thrown together in a bizarre way as the doll because the focus of a kidnapping that's trail has run cold. Trying to keep their personal feelings for each other from coming to the surface is difficult, especially when Nick feels Rachel's life is in danger, and Rachel has trust issues that might be the wedge that keeps her and Nick apart.

I finished IN HARM'S WAY in one afternoon. Irene's writing style is so smooth you turn page after page not even realizing the passing of time. Though I guessed the plot early, it didn't detract from the story in the least. A great series! I'm glad Irene's father challenged her to write mysteries, because I think suspense is definitely her strength.

Staci says

In Harm's Way is Irene Hannon's final book in the *Heroes of Quantico* series. I've read Irene's more current work so I wondered if her earlier work would be as satisfying. Thankfully, her older work is just as good!

In Harm's Way is about Nick and Rachel. Nick is an FBI agent and Rachel is a music teacher. Their paths meet following a very unusual occurrence. There was quite a bit of discussion about psychic powers in the novel and for much of the novel I wondered where could the author possibly be going with this. Hannon tied it all together very nicely.

In Harm's Way was a well done romantic suspense novel.

Kate Hinderer says

I am a huge fan of Dee Henderson and all her novels (especially the O'Malley series), so when I saw she endorsed author Irene Hannon, I knew the Heroes of Quantico series was one I needed to read. But the third book in the series is the first I could get a hold of. So, these reviews may be a little out of order.

Rachel Sutton can't explain the feeling of dread she experiences every time she touches a doll she found in a restaurant parking lot – but it's real and it's intense. Knowing she'll be seen as crazy Rachel still feels the urge to take the doll and her feelings to the FBI.

When agent Nick Bradley listens to Rachel's story he's torn between thinking she is crazy and acknowledging her fear is real. Something makes him keep the doll, even though the rest of the agency thinks it's all a crock. But the little discovery and a conniving newspaper journalist out to further her career, begins a chain of events that can't be undone and puts Rachel in harms way.

What I Thought:

Love, Love, LOVE! – enough said.

The story is believable, despite the fact that Rachel has this odd feeling when touching a doll I found it totally realistic.

The suspense that is built up as the reader follows the main characters as well as the criminal keeps you on the edge of your seat.

Of course, the love story is great and wholesome too.

Melanie says

'In Harm's Way' starts with a child who is kidnapped by a woman while her mother, who was practicing the piano in church, went to the bathroom!

Rachel Sutton is a busy woman, she plays the piano, teaches and she's not crazy...or is she? Rachel shows up at the FBI office, and seems normal...until she tells Special Agent Nick Bradley her story. She found a Raggedy Ann Doll in a parking lot and when she picks the doll up, after digging it out of the frozen snow, she gets this strange sense of terror and hears a baby crying. At first Nick dismisses her but then he stumbles on a link between the doll and the abducted baby. What he discovers is shocking!

"In Harm's Way" is by far my favorite book in the 'Heroes of Quantico' series. I love how Nick is fixing up a house and that he's not your typical FBI agent. When I was reading this I was thinking if it's going to be where she is a psychic, then I won't like this book, but that was not the case. I'm not going to say what happens because that would give away too much of the story.

I am so looking forward to reading 'Deadly Pursuit' and I can hardly wait until August! This has just been such a great series and I don't want it to end...but it did. At least there is another series that has some of the same characters. 'In Harm's Way' held my attention and I most definitely recommend this book!

Lori says

As many of you know, I do not read series books out of order--it is a major pet peeve of mine. Well, this book ended up being an exception to that rule. As I am still trying to catch up on reading review books (due to lots of reading time being lost while helping my sister with her wedding), I was not able to read the first two books in Irene Hannon's Heroes of Quantico series before starting In Harm's Way. That being said--I will most definitely be borrowing them from my sister (newly married!) as soon as I get caught up, so I can see what I missed.

In Harm's Way was my first time sampling Irene Hannon's Romantic Suspense...and...I'm happy to say that I absolutely loved it! I thought the entire book was fast-paced, edge-of-your-seat, what's gonna happen next entertainment. I grumbled and groaned every time I had put it down! Yes, it's that good...at least in my opinion.

As I always say, it's more difficult for me to review suspense/mystery books as I don't want to give away any surprises/twists--trust me, this book has plenty. =) If you haven't read it yet, and you enjoy a good mystery, you are in for a treat!

Rachel and Nick will quickly make a place for themselves deep in your heart. I really enjoyed getting to know them, and watching them discover one another's secrets. Rachel loves music and art; while Nick's job allows him to be somewhat more adventurous. Nick lives his life with Christ at the center, but Rachel isn't sure what she believes as far as religion goes. When they realize they had similar childhoods, their blossoming relationship moves to an even deeper level. Prepare yourself for lots of twists and turns, all of which will eventually lead you to a very exciting ending!

If you're interested in finding out more about Irene Hannon, or her books, be sure to visit her website. Don't forget to check out the first two books in her Heroes of Quantico series:

Against All Odds
An Eye for an Eye

Megan says

In Harm's Way is the third book in her Heroes of Quantico Series, and I have enjoyed them all. This one starts quickly with a riveting prologue. The book focuses on another FBI agent, Nick Bradley, who meets with a woman who at the FBI office one Friday night. This woman is Rachel Sutton, who is bringing a Raggedy Ann doll to the FBI's attention because when she picked it up she felt intense fear. Before that scares you off, I was a little hesitant at the new age feel here too (with Rachel's "bad vibes") but it was well handled with an interesting twist. All I can say is-- things are not always what they seem...You will have to read it to find out what that means! Nick and Rachel both feel an instant attraction to each other despite the odd introduction, and as they work together on issues relating to the doll a friendship develops. The conversations that they share and the time they spend together were a beautiful way to create the intimacy between them. I loved the growing confidence and trust that they have with each other. A link is found between the doll and a missing child, and Rachel's life is at risk due to her connection to the case. Nick wants to be sure that nothing happens to her.

WOW!! What a ride! This was an incredible book. It grabbed me from the beginning and moved at a good pace toward a satisfying end. It was suspenseful with some great twists along the way. It was fun to revisit the main characters from the first two books, and the hero and heroine in *In Harm's Way* were strongly developed by giving us interesting glimpses into their pasts. Nick is Christian and he shares that with Rachel as he reveals his history and takes her to church. The element of faith is richly woven into this intense plot with very real conversations and a life-changing decision.

I received a free copy of this book, but that in no way influenced my review.

Rel says

Irene Hannon returns with her engaging brand of romantic suspense with *In Harm's Way*, the third and final instalment in her successful *Heroes of Quantico* series. Special Agent Nick Bradley is continuing to renovate his beautiful old home, preparing it for resale so he can pursue another project, but the appearance of the intriguing Rachel Sutton has him rethinking those plans. A mystery that starts with an implausible story soon gathers momentum and becomes a dangerous reality. Irene has wound up her series well, with an excellent blend of suspense, attraction and fascinating characterisation. I have thoroughly enjoyed Irene's writing and am highly anticipating *Fatal Judgement*, the first in Irene's *Guardians of Justice* series, releasing in January, 2011

Giovanni Gelati says

When it comes to novels you want to read, what is it you are looking for: fast paced action, good characters you can identify with and get emotionally invested in, maybe a good mystery with a few plot twists and turns, a good romance story thrown in, humor, a really good ending? Well I must say that the third and final installment to the *Heroes of Quantico* trilogy has that and much more.

Am I bummed that the series is wrapped up? Yes, without a doubt. I have been sharing the novels with my wife and it has been a blast to be able to discuss them with her. The series started with *Against All Odds* (We featured it Sunday in our *Blast From The Past*; check our archives). Number 2 was *An Eye For an Eye* and that gets us to the third and final, *In Harm's Way*. Hannon will be starting a new series in early 2011. I am looking forward to that, and the knowledge of it has buoyed my spirits as I have become a big fan of her style and storylines. The new series is called *Guardians of Justice* and the first novel is titled *Fatal Judgment*. Without giving up any spoilers here is the skinny on the storyline from the jacket of the novel; “FBI Special Agent Nick Bradley has seen his share of kooks during his fifteen years with the Bureau. But Rachel Sutton is an enigma. She seems normal when she shows up at his office- until she produces a tattered Raggedy Ann doll and tells him about a strange feeling of terror it gives her when she touches it. Nick dismisses her, only to stumble across a link between the doll and an abducted child, setting in motion a chain of events that uncovers startling connections- and puts Rachel’s life on the line.”

Irene Hannon’s final installment is the best of the series, bringing to bear all that the first two had and much more. Elements of romance, suspense, Christian beliefs, humor, and lots of action are an unusual combination. Hannon manages to pull it off and in spades. I suggest this novel for all the right reasons. She is a Goodreads author, let her know you are out there and put all three novels in your –to read- list at the very least, enjoy them and the ride along with a standup group of characters from the elite FBI Hostage Rescue Team.

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Ruth says

When Rachel Sutton pulls a battered Raggedy Ann doll from a snowdrift, she never expected to be assailed by a feeling of overwhelming terror. Not one to believe in psychics, but unable to ignore the fear that overcomes her every time she touches the doll, Rachel takes a leap of faith and delivers the toy to the local FBI office. At her wit's end, and even though she's convinced she'll be mocked and dismissed as a crazy, Rachel's sure that entrusting the doll to the FBI will allow her to move on with her life. Nick Bradley, a veteran agent, has met his share of whacky tipsters, but Rachel's levelheadedness and apparently genuine terror raise enough questions in his mind that he's unable to simply dispose of the filthy toy and write off Rachel's reaction as some sort of bizarre coincidence. When the doll turns out to be the only clue in a kidnapping case gone cold, and it's revealed that Rachel has an unexpected tie to the missing child, suddenly Nick's intriguing tipster is the target of unwanted media attention. As the news story spreads, Rachel becomes the only threat to a kidnapper desperate to cover her tracks, and Nick must work overtime to protect Rachel, the investigation's best lead and the only woman who's ever invaded his heart.

I was so happy to finally read Nick's story. The glimpses of his character in the first two books of the series marked him as an intriguing guy, and I had great fun watching Hannon turn the tables on him as he enters the spotlight and becomes the hero falling hard for a woman at the center of an investigation. Hannon writes the male point of view extremely well, and Nick is her best hero yet – a dreamy combination of toughness and sensitivity. The faith element was also well-integrated into the storyline. I loved the fact that Rachel wasn't a stranger to the idea of God, she just didn't see the need to cultivate a relationship with Him. Also, it was nice to see a female lead exploring faith – more often than not in CBA fiction it is the hero who learns faith in a story, so I really appreciated how Hannon shook up this formula with this novel. Also, Rachel's reaction to the doll and how others respond to it added a unique element to the storyline.

Hannon concludes her Heroes of Quantico series with a well-plotted thriller and a spectacular romance, earning *In Harm's Way* the top spot in my favorites ranking of the trilogy. Every aspect of this story clicked, working together on all levels from pacing, plotting and characterization to deliver one engaging, un-put-downable read. While I couldn't help but favorably compare the first two Quantico books to Dee Henderson's O'Malley series, which has long been a "gold standard" in romantic suspense in my view, this book blew past the competition. Hannon is clearly on track to lay claim to the title of "Queen of Romantic Suspense" in the CBA market. *In Harm's Way* is the perfect blend of suspense, balanced with just the right touch of romance between two leads that have so much chemistry the sparks practically fly from the page. Masterfully plotted and crackling with romantic tension, *In Harm's Way* delivers the goods – I can not WAIT for Hannon's next book!
