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Laurel Beacham made working solo a personal success story and is known for her nerve, instincts, and ability to do whatever necessary to return each priceless masterpiece safely intact. As the world's leading art recovery expert, she's thwarted more heists than the average law enforcement professional. Museums applaud her skills. Thieves admire the cunning way she operates.

Her last job landed her the head position over the London branch of Beacham Foundation, but bringing one case to a close only opened a bigger one. More importantly, the new case inextricably ties her to Jack Hawkes, a man smart enough to be her equal but who keeps her trust meter firmly in the red zone. Trying to stop a rumored heist of the century, the pair leap headlong into a plot that gets more dangerous and illusive by the minute. The clock counts down as the bodies and forgeries stack up.

Marked Masters Details

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Book Him Danno says

Marked Masters reminded me of a modern day Remington Steele with the two leads playing off each other and just enough sexual tension with readers excited for book 3.

I think the best part of this book is the question I started to develop.... Who is the Master Artist the person who created the art work or the Person who can forge the art work perfectly? If you love art, adventure and mystery this book is for you.

If a book can change one persons mind or cause them to think the book is a perfect!

ARC From Netgalley.

Previous full length Review Under Heidi

Debbie says

I went straight from Book one into Book two and while book 2 seemed a touch not as exciting, it was still good. There's still problems with the relationships going on in the stories and a few changes have been made in the head office. An item not found in the first book has been found in this book, but is it real or counterfeit?

I really glad I happened on this series. The story is great and I'm really starting to like the characters even more than I did in the first book. I think this series is a WINNER! Kudos to Henery Press for taking on this series, as well!!

Huge thanks to Henery Press for approving my request and to Net Galley for providing me with a free e-galley in exchange for an honest review.

Kelly Hobbs says

Marked Masters is the second book in the Bodies of Art Mysteries series by Ritter Ames. As Jack and Laurel continue their quest from Counterfeit Conspiracies (book 1), they are also hired to stop what maybe the biggest art heist ever. From Laurel's near death experience in Miami, to Jack's arrest in Florence, this book keeps you on the edge of your seat. Trying to figure out who is part of the underground group spearheading the art heist and who might be the innocent victims, keeps you guessing throughout the book.

I just love, love, love, this series. The descriptions of Florence, Italy are so vivid, they make me want to book a flight immediately. I wish I had a Cassie and a Nico for my own use and I think most females would enjoy Jack. I'm looking forward to book 3.

Heidi says

Ritter Ames has written series books (Organized for Murder AND Bodies of Art Mysteries) that are well-crafted with intriguing stories that keep the reader hooked from beginning to end. The characters are well

develop that you never questions the characters motives or actions.

Ritter Ames sent me an advance copy of *Marked Masters* and I dove right in excited to find out what mysteries awaited Jack and Laurel. The book move along quickly keeping the reader engaged with the shoot outs, dead bodies, and missing art as well as the tug a war relationship between Jack and Laurel. I enjoyed finding out more about Laurel's background and her love for art. The author made Laurel come alive on the page making the reader care for her personal and professional struggles.

The book fill-ins in the details of Laurels life before her father lost everything and I enjoyed getting to know Laurel better to the point she was more person than a character on a paper. Some characters were flushed out while other stood still in the same place they were left at the end of *Counterfeit Conspiracies*.

Over half way through the book I was left with more questions than answers making realize not everything could be resolved by the end of the book. Which made me happy because I didn't want the adventure to end. As the readers follows a tried Laurel they began to feel for her and her lose never knowing her mother, who is Simon and what is Jacks connection to the endless government agencies.

Jack keeps way to many secrets from Laurel and you can feel her frustrations though the book. I also love the fact that Jack and Laurel are at each others throats which makes for some fun banter.

I enjoyed the chase scenes that were easy to imagine and in some ways this book reminds me of a modern day Remington Steele with the way Laurel (as Laura Holt) and Jack Hawkes (Remington Steele) play off each other though out the entire book.

I think the best part of this book is the question I started to develop.... Who is the Master Artist the person who created the art work or the Person who can forge the art work perfectly? If you love art, adventure and mystery this book is for you.

Sandy Duncan says

Just finished reading..another great art mystery with tons of action and even a hint of a possible romance between Laurel and Jack...maybe please. They are on the hunt again for missing art and discover forgeries in a big scale operation. Pieces of Jacks past are revealed sort of and Laurel discovers things about her mother too. A must read so full of action domestic and international. Love Florence, Italy. Love this series

Betty says

A fast fun book as good as the first one in the series. Both are set in the Art World. More information on MC's backgrounds. Laurel is now head of the London Office and Cassie is now her assistant. We learn more about Nico. Jack is still a mystery but all are working together following Simon's clues. Laurel and Jack fly to Mami to search for the safe box. Only to find new players in the game. There are many twists and turns that will keep you reading. Be sure to have plenty of time to read as you won't want to put the book down.

Disclosure: I a free copy from HENERY PRESS through Netgalley for an honest review. I would like to thank them for this opportunity to read and review the book. The opinions are my own.

Ellen Hardin says

JACK AND LAUREL OUR MODERN DAY REMINGTON STELLE AND IT TAKES A THIEF DUO ARE BACK,

happy to say laurel and jack are back - and the book opens with laurel trying to steal (uh recover) a painting only to find out jack has beat her to it yet again--- next thing they are at the airport ready to take off off and jack goes missing- then they are in car chase- followed by a kidnapping- spend some time on a yacht- then meet over yet another dead body--- so a normal week for our heroes-- as they grab planes and jet all over europe trying to figure out who is making forgeries- who is planning the biggest art heist in history and what does moran want with laurel-- this book gave us a lot of laurels back story - let us know a little more about cassie and nico- (is there a spark going on between them?) filled in a few blanks about our mystery hero jack- as well as leaving us more perplexed about who exactly he is--- does he work for a secret agency- is he actually out for himself-- these "friends" he keeps running into- are they friends or spies playing a part?- there seem to be more questions then answers- in this new series by ritter ames- so if you like your books to have strong independent - fast thinking - sassy - gals and like your heroes to be hunky take no prisoners = with lots of suspenseful global edge of your seat action- grab a glass of wine-- fasten your seat belt and enjoy the ride- you will be glad you did

Debbie says

I have to say one thing for this series, if you want nonstop action, this is it. This sort of reminds me of Lara Croft and James Bond collide. I love Laurel and Jack and in this book they seem to be getting a little closer. I do have to say the non-trust between them gets a little tiring as poor Laurel never seeming to get any sleep did, but I guess that's what happens in that business. You don't know who you can trust and there are plenty of twists. Good side characters, love Nico, and this book is leading you into the next as the first did into this one, however I don't think that you would have any problem reading this as a stand alone. I will definitely continue on with this series.

Mark Baker says

This book opens with Laurel Beacham in Florida with Jack Hawkes. Despite what they have just gone through in the first book in this series, Laurel still doesn't trust Jack and is only reluctantly working with him. He is keeping too many secrets from her while demanding she share everything she know. They are continuing to work together, however, in order to stop a major art heist, and Florida is their most promising lead. A kidnapping and a dead body prove that they are on the right track. Will they learn more about the plans in order to stop the heist? Or will they be stopped permanently?

There is a strong on-going story line in this series involving an upcoming art heist, so I definitely recommend you read these books in order. In fact, I wish I had read this one closer to the first. The author does do a good job of filling in the blanks on what has happened before, which helped me remember the events of the first

book. The story starts strong and keeps going from twist to turn as the pages fly by, resolving enough to make this book feel like it has resolved while still leaving plenty for Laurel and Jack to face in the next book. The duo make for intriguing leads, and the characters we meet along the way hold our interest as well.

Read my full review at Carstairs Considers.

Shannon Binegar-Foster says

I can't even begin to put into words how much I LOVED this book. I was up until 1am reading because I just had to finish it. The chase scenes are amazing. We learn much more about Laurel and Jack. This book is loaded with action, twists, turns and secrets. I love seeing how the story continues to develop. I found myself wanting to scream at the end, as it left me wanting more but my hubby was asleep and didn't want to wake him. I am sure you will enjoy this every bit as much as I have. Book 3 can't come soon enough. These books are like chocolate for me just can't get enough. I received an ARC of this book in exchange for my honest review of this book, which in no way influenced my opinion of this book.

HENERY PRESS PUBLISHING says

“Boasting a great cast of characters, good conversations and the global background, this was a very enjoyable read and I look forward to the third book in this exciting series.” – Dru’s Book Musing

Gale says

One of the things I love about a great book is that I have to keep reading and cannot put it down. *Marked Masters* by Ritter Ames is book 2 of this new series and it hit this mark for me. Seriously, my heart was racing and my brain kept wanting to jump ahead to read what was coming, even though I needed to read every word so that I could know what is going on. This book starts right smack dab in the middle of an “op” involving Laural Beacham and Jack Hawkes, only this time, they start off in the US. *Marked Masters* is just as fact- and travel-packed as book 1 and travels to London and Italy. These two keep getting into trouble and the other is there to help get them out. Yes, chaos ensues. They are on the trail of some of the same art thieves, along with some new “bad” guys but I won’t give any details as it would spoil the story for you. I am even more hooked into this series, if that is even possible, and will wait impatiently for book 3. There’s a bit of a set up for the next book, at the end, for what I believe to be series continuity, but not enough so that you feel as if you wasted your time reading it. It just made me anxious for the next book. I was given an ARC of this book in exchange for an honest opinion. Honestly? Pick up this series! I love it and am happy I found this new-to-me-author.

Dianne says

I couldn’t wait to read more about Laurel and Jack! This latest book in the series doesn’t disappoint!

Mystery, intrigue, romance and suspense all rolled into one fabulous book! The fast pace will keep you reading well into the night. This book is one you won't want to put down! I can't wait to read more in this series!

Dawn Frazier says

This is book two in the Bodies of Art Mysteries, and I enjoyed it as much as the first one. This one starts out with lots of excitement, and doesn't stop. Jack and Laurel are at it again trying to track down some missing art. Full of mystery and suspense, with a touch of romance, made this a fast read. I look forward to the next in the series!
