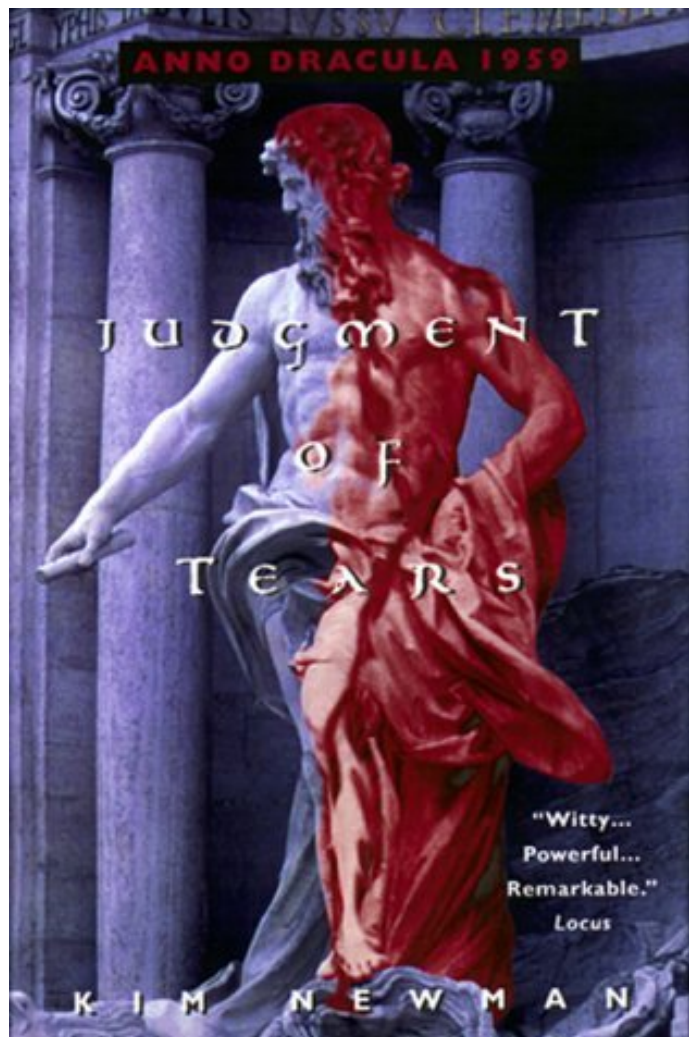

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Description

It is a new era of lascivious excess and the unending pursuit of pleasure. The year is 1959, and La Dolce Vita cannot hold a candle to La Dolce Morte. The jet setters, the intelligentsia, the artists and luminaries, the powerful and the merely curious from all over the world are descending upon "the Eternal City." The paparazzi have gathered en masse to chronicle the raucous wake of a remarkable decade -- and to shoot the beautiful ones who have arrived to be seen. Rome is in her glory, for the dark prince himself has selected this ancient metropolis of fountains and lovers and history as the site of his latest nuptials -- and everyone who is anyone, vampire and mortal alike, is planning to attend. The mad celebration has begun in earnest; the "Dracula Cha Cha Cha" is all the rage. But come the blood-red dawn, there will be a terrible price to pay. For no party truly lasts forever... and even the undead must die.

Insightful reviews

Rae: A charming thriller set in glamorous 1959 Rome, this book (as expected) includes many cameos from contemporary vampires of literature and screen, as well as a very handy notes section at the back. The plot hangs together nicely, with an unexpected extra-supernatural turn; it doesn't feel pieced together, despite Newman's many good-humoured borrowings. Likewise, the many jokes don't impede the effect of the real emotional moments in the book.

I also greatly appreciated the fact that the book's central relationships were between three memorable, well-drawn and very different female characters, Geneviève, Kate and Penelope.

I really enjoyed this book and will probably read it again.

Debbie Armbruster: Fantastic!

The third installment of the Anno Dracula series takes place in Rome in 1959. Newman brings his impressive font of period knowledge to play, captivating readers with blatant and obscure references (I am in awe of his historical, political, literary and pop culture catalog of knowledge), as well as an engaging plot.

I shake my head to think this voyage began when I won an advanced copy of Johnny Alucard, which I assumed as a stand-alone novel. As soon as I discovered that it was the 4th book of a series, I scoured the local libraries so that I could get up to speed, and have recommend the series to all. Kim Newman, where have you been all my life?!

Robb Bridson: Big changes are afoot as Newman's vampire history enters the Cold War era. Genevieve, Kate, and Penelope wind up in the center of a mess concerning a serial killer that targets elder vampires. Charles is on his deathbed and Dracula is hoping for one more big move.

Meanwhile underlying everything is the horror of an ancient spirit of Rome (one of the three witches of Dario Argento's movies-- the one that didn't have her own movie at the time the book was written (and I wish that were still true today because that movie sucked)).

Still not quite as awesome as the first, but more exciting than the second book.

While the added novella was an interesting look at '60s counterculture and racism, it was pretty flat, nowhere near as good as the "Vampire Romance" novella in the new edition of Bloody Red Baron.

The series continues to be great and I look forward to getting a hold of Johnny Alucard.

Nicole: I certainly loved this larger than the second one booklet (The Bloody pink Baron). the tale was once simply extra interesting, and it was once really nice to determine Penelope. a depressing horse for sure...

Marc Jentzsch: Newman's tackle vampires integrating into society is still one of many smartest, such a lot insightful, so much inventive implementations to date. The writing is still top-notch; enticing and compelling. This is the ebook for the girls. the 3 fundamental lady protagonistists (Genevieve, Kate and Penelope) take middle level here, every one of them getting major time within the spotlight. The 60s and second-wave feminism loom and right here the ladies of the nature roster step up and are handed the torch from the boys. Sadly the elders remain unnervingly effortless to dispatch and it takes much from their mystique that they are. The additions to the supernatural roster are enjoyable yet look a tad underused and extra topic to the whims of the narrative than given a decent exploration. The better part of the ebook are the moments the place Mr Newman thoroughly catches me off-guard, and he controlled it a number of times. From a very magnificent homicide to the way in which a protagonist's demise was once handled, to the way in which the answer and arc of this ebook is not what it sort of feels should you first settle into it. In all, i feel if a cable corporation is seeking a estate to show right into a new sequence with a supernatural angle, Anno Dracula will be a chief choice. The exploration of ways Dracula and his ilk have an effect on and alter the realm whereas additionally no longer altering an exceptional many stuff is lots of enjoyable to delve into and given the expansive canvas of cable television, could most likely be extra enjoyable than many of the houses which are given the fairway light. The tale on the finish i am a piece much less certain about, but it nonetheless entertained me greatly. The staccato prose is meant to awaken the times, no doubt. often it seems like an excuse to name-drop and info-dump with alarming intensity. it's not that i am commonly used sufficient with the past due 60s for many it to topic to me, yet I stuck sufficient that the tale constantly made experience and that i regularly had context. I nonetheless felt just like the brevity of every assertion (particularly early on) received to be either tiring and jarring at times. However, Kate is at her most sensible here. She is additionally at her so much probably inconsistent. She is either sufferer and vampire and the swings among the 2 are large sufficient that I sometimes came across myself brooding about how either extremes may be the similar character. I loved seeing just a little her evolution, to be sure, yet given the resolution, i used to be a bit shocked at her naive pliability and swooning weak point at convinced points. Lest you're thinking that i'm in simple terms complaining, enable me simply reiterate that Kate principally shines and it is a lot of enjoyable to determine how she's advanced and grown and is at the cusp of turning into an elder herself. it is enjoyable to work out how her view of herself has replaced with the years. it is also enjoyable to work out Mouse return, and in most sensible shape herself. I have stuck wind that there are court cases approximately this volume, lot of individuals did not like it. i believe i do know why yet these purposes appear principally to be a similar explanation why I loved the book. The shocks, the

changes, the disillusioned expectations. As with the others, it truly is not like the other vampire booklet you are going to read...and that is an outstanding thing.

Michel: James Bond en Fellini en Europese movies anno 1959, deze keer. Dracula, die zich na de Eerste Wereldoorlog wat teruggetrokken had, en in de Tweede Wereldoorlog dacht ik niet veel meer gedaan had dan officieel de kant van de geallieerden te kiezen tegen Hitler, leeft nu écht teruggetrokken in de buurt van Rome. Tot nu, wish zijn huwelijk met de Moldavische prinses Asa Vajda wordt aangekondigd, en le tout, euh, tout le monde is uitgenodigd in Rome. En dan --verrassing-- worden er vampieren vermoord. Door, blijkbaar, een niet-vampier, een onmenselijk sterke Rode Beul. Kate Reed op onderzoek, Geneviève op het toneel, Penelope als ondertussen minofmeer-majordomo van Dracula: leuk en een paar zeer goede stukken, maar niet erg veel meer dan dat. (In de uitgave die ik las, zat ook nog een bonus-appendix-novelle, die zich in 1968 afspeelt. Onderhoudend.)

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