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My brother refused to introduce me, so I blame him. If he'd just caved, and introduced me to Jasper, I wouldn't be in this mess. I mean, really, what's the big deal? I'm not interested in the guy's looks.

Oh no, I want his cold hard cash. (Be honest, you were expecting that other four letter 'c' word weren't you?)

Now, before you go getting all judgy, I'm not a gold digger. I have a legitimate business opportunity for Jasper to invest in. The problem is that my stick-up-his-ass brother is embarrassed that his twin sister invents kick ass sex toys. His problem, not mine.

So, I took matters into my own hands. Defeat isn't a word in Lennon Hart's dictionary.

Using my stealthy P.I. moves, I narrowed my search to a time and place where I knew I could find him. It was completely innocent. A chance meeting that would give me the opportunity to pitch my business.

It wasn't until I sat down across from the gorgeous panty soaking man in front of me, that I realized I wanted so much more than just his money. I could very well want his heart if I wasn't careful.

Apparently my P.I. skills aren't as stellar as I thought because Jasper had his own secret — and it changed EVERYTHING.

Note: Previously title *The Banker*. Same great book with a fresh new look!

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Susan (susayq ~) says

Gah. I just don't know what to say about this. I want to list all the things I loved but I don't want to give anything away because this needs to be read and savored. It was perfect (for me). It made me laugh, cry, swoon, rail in anger and left me smiling like a loon around 1 this morning when I finished it. Just go read it. Lennon and Jasper will be worth the time you spend reading it.

thanks for sharing a copy of this with me

~Kristin~ says

~4 Stars~

My favorite of the series, this one hit me in the feels!!

Sophie says

Holy hell!!! I said I was desperate to read Lennon's book after meeting her in The Bartender & The Boxer but NEVER did I expect what I actually got.

Lennon is incredible. Her story is INCREDIBLE! I loved every single second!

Lennon became my favourite back in The Bartender. Her sass and way of life, so free, was refreshing. She's hilarious, wicked and witty. And she's hot, oozing confidence. I'm not afraid to say I crushed on Lennon. LOL. Loved her. What was so fun and interesting to see was how Lennon met her one. Piper Rayne wrote this so, so well. Making it fun, sexy and totally believable. And who is the fine man who sweeps our Lennon off her feet?

Ladies! His name is Jasper and he's AMAZING! From the off, the minute Jasper set his eyes on Lennon. I felt it. These two are sparks and light and intense heat. They are raw, intense, passionate and it oozes from the pages. Jasper is a world of his own people. It was always going to take something special for Lennon to fall but with Jasper, personally I think Piper Rayne nailed it.

Like Lennon and Jasper, I was swept of my feet. Held thoroughly captivated by words that made one hell of a story!

The Banker is my FAVE of this series of standalones! A total winner in my bookish eyes. 5 EPICALLY AWESOME STARS.

Natalie The Biblioholic says

It's LIVE!! <http://bit.ly/2nDNhmv>

THE BANKER was by far my favorite book by Piper Rayne. Many factors contributed to this opinion, such as:

★★★ Lennon. I've been waiting for this woman's story ever since I met her in *The Bartender*. Heck, she's the one who came up with the term "unicorn cock". And she drives a vehicle with unicorns vomiting and pooping rainbows. And she's created her own exclusive brand of pleasure-inducing toys. What's not to love about her???

★★★ Jasper. Handsome, charismatic, successful, intelligent and sexy. A dirty-talking mountain of hotness that was able to not only keep up with the elusive Lennon, but he tamed her *gasp*. He embodied so many wonderful characteristics I look for in my leading men: compassion, understanding, sex appeal, dominance, etc. Loved him!

★★★ A character that I shall not name, but who you will absolutely fall in love with. How could you not? Honestly, if you don't fall in love with this character, you are cold and heartless and we can't be friends.

★★★ The banter. The pacing of the plot. The insight I gained from Lennon's character into what shaped her into the woman she was. Can I say I adored the time her mom had her back? Epic!

★★★ The almost non-existent drama between the main characters. It led to this story having an easy and almost laid-back kind of vibe, which made it easier to enjoy what was developing between Jasper and Lennon.

There were plenty of insanely hot times, plenty of laughable moments, plenty of swoon-worthy episodes, and plenty of good times to be enjoyed. I had a blast reading this one and look forward to reading more from Piper Rayne!!

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Genre: Romantic Comedy

POV: Heroine - 1st person

Steam: 4 out of 5

Book Type: Standalone - Book 3 of the Modern Love series with character crossover

Shannon Moore says

The Banker is another full length novel that delivers exactly what we've come to know and love from Piper Rayne. It's fun, flirty and laugh out loud funny all the while mixing together quick wit and sizzling intimacy.

"Pompous control freak or not, Jasper Banks better watch out, because he's never seen the likes of Lennon Hart."

The connection between these two was so instantaneous, I knew that we'd be in for a wild ride! This author duo has a knack for coming up with sweet, charming and/or irresistible first encounters between their main characters. It's downright addictive! This chemistry was great, though I do feel that it fizzled quite a bit when the 'big twist' was revealed. Even moving in from there, it was cutesy, an adorable story, but the characters felt so far removed from how they were at the beginning, it was like they were different people.

I loved the underlying theme of uncertainty and judgements. Based on Lennon's attitude and appearance, she's been judged her entire life and it was quite interesting to see the ways in which this has affected her and how she's grown to overcome these obstacles. This element and the fact that it's constant throughout was

extremely well done.

"I push back the feeling that I'm not good enough, not strait-laced enough, not in the box enough. It's a feeling I've worn like a second skin my entire life."

Based on the beginning of this story and how these characters met the first time, I fully expected this to be my favourite story out of the series, but by the end it just didn't turn out that way. This mostly has to do with one major issue that I found to be annoying: predictability. I predicted absolutely everything that would happen here. There were so many different directions that the story could have taken or that the conflict could revolve around, but it was the most basic and obvious one chosen which was kind of aggravating. When it's so predictable and following a similar plot (with minor character detail changes) to so many stories before it, I lose interest and fast. It's a good read and well done, but I can only claim it as average, considering that's the route that the authors chose.

There was however a bit of extra drama nearing the end that didn't have to do specifically with the conflict. This, I loved. I thought that finally the story was taking a different direction and I wanted to know how each character would handle the situation. No direction changes, but I still enjoyed seeing the play out.

"I'm not usually a hand-holder, more of an ass-grabber. Anyone who knows me knows I don't like being led anywhere. I'm in charge of my own life. But with Jasper, it somehow feels right that he leads me."

Overall, The Banker is a solid ending to the series and I feel like Lennon's story did her character justice. I wasn't her biggest fan during Whitney's story but glad she got her chance to shine. The character dynamic between this group is fantastic and they have great chemistry as a whole, so that was a nice touch to help tie everything together and help send off everyone at once.

3.5 Stars

**An ARC was received in exchange for an honest review.*

Gökçe says

Better than first two, but still not an amazing read. Ok for a pass time.

This Lennon was not the person we saw in the first two books. She wasn't the quirky girl i liked. She was the Lennon-in-a-box version of herself.

I reaaaalllyyy liked the Starbucks scenes. <3 But it wasn't enough. There is no conversation between the couple. They meet, they lie, they fuck, they love but without any actual conversation. Hence my rating.

Jessica-👉Chatterbooks Book Blog👈 says

I knew going into this book that I was going to love it! The first two books in the Modern Love series, *The Bartender* and *The Boxer*, made me Piper Rayne fans, so I was pretty confident in what to expect with this one. I have been anticipating Lennon's story ever since her character was introduced two books ago. Lennon is the loud, crazy, fun, free spirited friend in the group. She is also the most secure in her sexuality, and for her, one-night stands are the norm. Therefore, I assumed her story would be the hottest and most amusing of the three. Well, *The Banker* has steam and some funny moments, but what surprised me was the emotion. If I had to use one word to describe the story overall, the word I would use would be heartwarming.

Lennon desperately needs a private investor to invest in her sex toy company, and her brother's friend and mentor, Jasper, seems like the perfect man for the job. The only problem is her twin brother, Jacob, isn't about to let his sister ask Jasper anything of the sort. When her brother leaves his phone on his desk, Lennon uses the opportunity to find out where Jasper is going to be that night. She plans to meet him there and try to sell him on taking a chance on her.

After meeting him, Lennon decides she wants to show him more than her business pan. Not only that, she realizes that she might actually like the guy, and since she doesn't mix business with pleasure, she decides not to mention her company or her original intentions for seeing him that night. Pretty soon they are having sex like animals, but this time, she doesn't leave when it's over. They continue to spend time together, and what happens next is something completely shocking to everyone. Lennon begins to have an actual monogamous relationship.

Everything seems to be going perfectly until out of nowhere Jasper throws her a curveball. Lennon isn't sure how to react, and it could be a deal breaker for their relationship. Even if they make that work, secrets don't say secrets forever. Sooner or later Jasper is going to have to find out who her brother is and what her initial interest in him was. Will he be able to move past that or will he think she only got into his bed, so she could get into his wallet?

Lennon is hands down my favorite character in the series. Other than coining the phrase "unicorn cock," she has some other pretty awesome attributes. She is completely non-judgmental, easy going, hilarious, talented, open-minded, adventurous, and always the life of the party. Not only does she run her own tattoo parlor, but she designs sex toys that she gives to her friends for free to "test." Her friends are extremely important to her, and she is always there for them encouraging them in whatever they do. When it comes to her sex life, tattoos, or that spectacle of van she drives around town in, she gives zero fucks what anyone else thinks, and that is probably what I admire most about her. She is unapologetic for who she is as a person, and the choices she makes in her life. In opinion, it would be impossible for anyone NOT to love her!

I knew it would take a pretty special guy to be worthy of her in my eyes, but I think Jasper is it. I thought she would fall for some hot, tatted up bad boy with a heart of gold and a sex chamber, but instead she went head over heels for a business man. If I tell you too much about him it will give away a twist in the story. What I will say is that once I found out everything there was to know, it made me like him even more.

The Banker is a fun, sexy, sweet, entertaining, and emotional read. I can't believe I almost cried more than once reading this book. Surprisingly, this story was the most serious and heartfelt of the three. You get to see another side of Lennon that you haven't gotten to see before. Sure, sometimes I just wished she would do

something outlandish like the girl I know and love, but honestly, I think her change in her character was part of her character development. Of course, the writing style was fabulous as always. Piper Rayne never fails to pull me into a book and hold my attention until the end. I just wish this wasn't the last book in the series. If the authors ever want to write more books about these same characters, I will definitely be reading them!

If you have read the previous books in the series, this book is a must! If you haven't read them, dive in to The Bartender head first! I think the series works best if you read the books in order though it can be read as a standalone. This has been a fun group of stories with awesome friendships, romances, and unicorn cocks, and I am so glad I decided to give them try! I think you will be, too!

ARC generously provided for an honest review.

Eve Recinella (Between The Bookends) says

This cover (like the book itself) is my least favorite of the trio. It's a bit on the boring side, and the guy on the cover isn't ANYTHING like how "I" pictured Jasper. The typography is interesting, though.

So this one ended up being my least favorite of the trio. I'll get into why in a second but first I want to say that while this one didn't *quite* meet my expectations, it was still a very enjoyable book.

This is Lennon's story and if you've read the first two you know Lennon is the crazy fly by her pants tatted up friend. She drives a unicorn van and designs sex toys. I LOVED her in the first two books so I couldn't wait to see her first hand in hers.

The first part of the book was going well. I enjoyed both Jasper and Lennon. It was hot. It had humor. Then something was introduced. I can't really explain "what" without spoiling the book, but suffice it to say when that plot point was brought in is when the book went off the rails for me. Jasper lost his edge. Lennon lost her spark and the connection I was feeling fizzled out. I felt like the lightheartedness that I loved in this series went out the window and the book turned rather serious and more angsty.

Jasper was also my least favorite of the heroes. Sure he was hot and all Dom like at times, but his ~~over~~ reaction at the end soured me on him pretty fast. He acted like a child considering the stakes involved when one 10 minute conversation (which BTW is about as long as he groveled for) could have cleared the air. I also had an issue with the way Lennon's whole family treated her they were a bunch of judgy douches. *lol*

So I know it sounds like I didn't enjoy this one, but often it is the bad stuff we didn't like that takes up the most page space. All three of these books have been entertaining reads, and I would recommend them ALL. So sally forth and read

Laura says

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4.5 Stars

There are books that are hard to review because a full review is a spoiler. This is one of them. The blurb tells you that Jasper has a secret. Well, he does. And, it is a game changer, just like the blurb says.

So, I am not really able to talk about the whole book in the review. Really, I am not even able to vaguely discuss parts I liked, as it is a spoiler, LOL

What I can say is that I really enjoyed it. There was a subplot with his family that I thought was a little unnecessary, and that is what is keeping this from being a 5 star...but it was close, and I waffled a bit before firming up the 4.5.

I liked their meeting. One thing that Piper Rayne does incredibly well is writing the character who comes across as sexy. It is hard to describe this, as when it works, it is as little like porn, you know it when you see it. But the little touches, the way the authors describe Jasper, his mannerisms, the way he speaks and stands...it all just works and makes him sound sexy. And, that makes it fun. And swoony. And it means you smile when you read it, because it is just that good. And, you are engaged, because when you find the main character appealing, you engage with the story.

The chemistry that Piper Rayne puts on the page translates to a book that is a pleasure to read.

I recommend this book.

Tre Talbot says

I've loved all three stories in the Modern Love Series but Lennon and Jasper's story is my FAVORITE of the three. This story is filled with laughter because when you have Lennon being the woman that she is how can you not laugh but we're also seeing a beautiful romance blooming. Brady is absolutely adorable and I want to hang out with him myself. Towards the end I'm tearing from a mix of sadness and joy. I can't believe this series is complete but it's been a great ride and yes these are standalone stories but there's no way you'll not want to read them all.

Tania's Book Blog says

I voluntarily read an advanced reader copy.

Lennon, Lennon, Lennon, lol. She's such a breath of fresh air but in this book I completely felt sorry for her. It seems like no one ever took her seriously and was always putting her down. Even though at times it seems like she was irresponsible, she didn't need to be disrespected, humiliated and shamed all the time even from family members.

Now that I've got that off my chest, the way she meets Jasper is hilarious. They were sparks flying from the beginning. Things were going great between them even when something in Jasper's life occurs that I thought would have caused anger or drama didn't even mess up Third relationship. Things got better after that UNTIL a family member of Lennon messes things up.

I felt bad for her and I enjoyed her growth. I disliked Jasper's mom very, very much but then she came around. That epilogue!!! ♥?♥?♥?♥? Funniest and one of the best ever!! Out of the three couples, I would really like to read more on these two followed by Lucas and Thalia.

The Empire of Me says

<https://theempireofme.wordpress.com/2...>

Sarah Reads "Reading in Sarah's Corner" says

The moment I finished book 1 in the Modern Love Series I knew two things. One, I had found a new author that I absolutely loved. Two, I needed Lennon's book NOW. It was totally worth the wait too!

For two months I had anticipated the release of The Banker. I just needed to know more about Lennon Hart's character. Yes, Lennon was funnier than sin in the other two books. I mean this girl founded the saying "Unicorn Cock". You just never knew what zinger she was going to throw at you.

In reading the other books, I also knew that there was much more than what met the eye. She had many hidden layers that would take someone special peeling back to let the real Lennon out. And that my friends is exactly what happened. We got our insanely funny Lennon that threw out one-liners like most change their unders.

What we also received was a romantic comedy that had just enough drama in it to keep us flipping the pages. This is going down as one of my favorite RomComs of all time. I adored this book like something fierce. This entire book I laughed so hard I cried.

The moment we were introduced to Jasper Banks I loved this alpha male. He was smooth, confident, had a little quirkiness to him that would draw any woman to him like a moth to a flame.

Jasper wanted Lennon the moment he met her. I mean these two are a match made in heaven. And that match just so happened to happen at a Starbucks! Yes, give me that in spades. Add to it Jasper loved Lennon for who she was tattoos and all... instant swoon I tell ya.

There is a huge plot twist that I will not give away with Jasper. But I will say that this plot twist made Lennon realize what she really wanted and made her fight for it. I swoon so hard during a few moments of this tenderness.

AND the ending!!! Talk about melting into a pile of goo! So perfect for these two.

The entire book Lennon thought her family and especially her mother really did not get who she truly was. So when Mrs. Hart finally stood up to an evil woman for her daughter and let Lennon know she really did pay attention, I did a little happy dance.

If you are looking for a book that will keep you flipping the pages while swooning and laughing simultaneously, this book is for YOU!

Beth says

Title: The Banker
Series: Modern Love #3
Author: Piper Rayne
Genre: Romantic Comedy
Publication Date: April 5, 2017
Cliff Hanger: No

4 Stars

*This story is for mature audiences only. Contains explicit scenes and language intended for adults 18+

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My Thoughts:

I was so happy to read Lennon and Jasper's story! I have anxiously been waiting for it! It was everything I wanted for her! She is such a colorful character and doesn't care what other people think about her, but she really is tender hearted. People's nasty comments about her tattoos, free life style, career choices, and love choices roll off her back, but I think she takes it to heart. Her family made me mad, her brother I wanted to kick him, but Lennon powers through. She is such a powerful force! I loved her! Her inner dialog was awesome. I had many laugh out loud moments!

This book was a little more serious than the other two. I found Lennon's character development and her

growing attachment to Jasper heart-warming. Jasper is everything you want in a book boyfriend. He is handsome, charming, polite, sexy as hell and an alpha! He blows Lennon's mind! There are a few twists I didn't expect, but that made this book that much more enjoyable!

My only complaint is I want more. I feel that there is so much more to tell! I really hope that there is a chance that there could be another book or 10 in this series! Give this series a chance! The Banker can be read as a standalone, but you really need to start at the beginning with The Bartender, move on to the Boxer and top it all off with The Banker. You will fall in love with all of the characters!

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Carmen Rae says

Now that was the perfect way to end this great series. Of course Lennon has long been my favourite of the trio so I knew I was going to enjoy her quirky sense of humour and complete lack of filter. But since the series had been so solid there is always the worry that it can't live up to expectations. Maybe the author will try to cram too much in to tie off the other couples and take away from the romance of the couple. Or maybe there will be one of a few hundred other small things that will detract from making this book all that I am hoping it will be but nope this series was solid to the end.

Firstly this book was all about Lennon and Jasper. The other ladies and their significant others were there and we got a little more of their relationships but the focus was so solidly on Lennon and Jasper that it could be read as a standalone if you haven't read the first two.

Lennon was amazing. Of Course. She had such a solid grasp of who she was but as we got to know her better we also saw her hidden insecurities and her gooey soft center. All hidden behind her rainbow shitting unicorn van and her covering of tattoos and one night stands was a woman who felt like an outsider from her whole family.

Jasper was so much better than I could have anticipated. I was expecting a completely uptight banker type under the whole opposites attract theory and yeah he kind of was but he was also growly, possessive, dominant and completely alpha. I loved that he was able to be sweet as well and despite a few misunderstandings between them he was so accepting of who Lennon was and went out of his way to ensure she knew how he felt about her.

This is hands down my favourite of the three and I am dying to see where Piper Rayne are going to go with their next series.

See my review here
