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Chris Huntley is on the fast track to becoming the next big action star. When his latest movie takes him to Australia for a red-carpet premiere, he thinks he's ready for anything. But he's not ready for how his body reacts to Liev Reynolds. Chris has never been attracted to a man before, and Liev is definitely not any regular man.

Liev is comfortable with his bisexuality, but his attraction to Chris is anything but comfortable. He's been hired to keep Chris safe, and his professional ethics as a bodyguard means he can't act on the attraction. There's also the long trail of broken-hearted women Chris has left in his wake...

Being up close and personal makes it difficult for the men to keep their hands off each other, and when desire and a little matchmaking tip them over the edge, all bets are off. But Hollywood endings aren't real life, and this happy ever after is going to be hard-won.

Each book in the Heart of Fame series is a standalone story that can be enjoyed out of order.

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Alex is The Romance Fox says

I like this series and I was interested to see how Chris Hurley's, the sexiest Hollywood superstar, story would turn out.

Well.....turns out that it would be a GFY tale!!! Chris, heterosexual meets Liev, his bodyguard, who just happens to be bi-sexual.....and WOW.....soon sparks and more erupt!!! What, Chris getting turned on by a male!! No, really!!! Yes, really!!!

This is such a funny and sweet read. Lots of yearning, stolen looks and kisses, cock rubbing, hot and wet kisses, blowjobs.....MINDBLOWING....for Chris & Live that is!!!!!!!

I loved the whole bodyguard romance thing....and so enjoyed the Australian feel of the book....hugged and boinked by a baby kangaroo.....hell, mate...what next!!!!!!!

I liked Liev – he was this hard-assed and dangerous...did I say dangerous...well, bodyguards are suppose to be.....but he had a soft heart too....check the interaction between him and his niece...so totally sweet!!

But,,hey I loved Chris.....what a heartthrob.....i had these images of the shows he appeared on to promote his new film andCOME OUT.....no.....don't despair.....the world loves him and his films.....LOVE WINS IN THE END.....it overcomes all the obstacles.....trust me when I say that...because that's what happens to these two fabulous men!!! Everyone is so accepting and loving...you can't help feeling the same way!!!

No, seriously, I loved reading this.....I probably would have given it a 5 star...but!!!! Yes, there's a but!! Can someone tell me what the hell Chris's PA, Bethany was doing here????? It was like...where did she fit inIn the beginning I had this idea that she would be part of a threesome with the two guys.....but no....sorry guys....yikes.....SPOILER SPOILER.....of course she could play a part in the future....otherwise she would be ...what????? Waste of space?????

Anyway, despite all the trials and tribulations, LOVE WINS.....and I am now wanting to know where Chris & Live will go....will we see more of them in the next books???? I HOPE SO!!!

Finally, here's one of the reasons I loved Chris...yes, I am a fickle woman....but really, it wasn't just his looks I loved...lots of other things too!!!

Nic says

"A desire and need and hunger that changed everything. Everything."

I absolutely loved this book - it pressed all the right buttons and was just what I was in the mood for!

For some reason (probably wanting to believe in fairytales), I adore stories where a famous person falls for an ordinary guy. Ok, so Liev wasn't exactly your run-of-the-mill guy, at least not where I hang out "**...a six foot three bi-sexual firefighting bodyguard...**" but I'm sure you get the gist.

Chris is an actor with a high rating TV show and a new blockbuster action movie about to be released. He is in Australia for the premiere. Chris has a reputation as a real ladies man and has never been attracted to another man. That all changes when he meets Liev, the bodyguard assigned to watch over him for the week in Sydney.

Liev was a gorgeous character - sexy, protective, caring. He wanted to do the right thing by Chris and I just wanted him to get his so well deserved happy ending.

What I most liked about this story was Chris' reaction to his attraction to Liev. He is wildly turned on but it isn't purely a physical attraction. **"It had little to do with Liev's sexy Australian accent and everything to do with the way Chris felt...complete when the man was near him. Not just safe, complete. Which only confused Chris more. He hadn't realised he wasn't whole until then."**

But there is no doubting their chemistry and the sex is hot - it is raw, hard and passionate - and there is no holding Chris back, even if he's never had this type of sex before.

The direction the story took was pleasantly surprising, NOT falling into the standard plot line of the celebrity running from being found out to be gay. Of course things don't go smoothly. Firstly there are all the problems associated with the men acknowledging they should be together and finally the problems trying to sort out the future.

My only concern with the story was the role Chris' PA Bethany played in bringing the men together. I really liked her character but never fully understood her true motivation for bringing Chris and Liev together. I'm glad she did but the tactics she used just didn't seem to fit with the professional assistant she appeared as - she didn't even call Chris by his first name so her actions were very surprising.

Actor, bodyguard, action, drama, sexual chemistry....4.5 stars!

I now publish all my m/m reviews on my blog so if you want to see all my m/m reviews in one place come visit at [Because Two Men Are Better Than One!](#)

Drmgrl99 says

Damn this Aussie knows how to turn up the heat! Another amazing story in the Heart of Fame series by Lexxie Couper! This is the first male/male love story written by this author and you would NEVER know it. The sexual tension she builds between them is just the kindling to the fire that she sets for them.

Be warned!... You will require a cold shower or two after or even while reading this to cool the flames!

Chris Huntly is "the" Hollywood actor that has a new young beautiful woman on his arm all the time but when he lays eyes on his new hunky Aussie bodyguard Liev Reynolds he is taken back by the insta-lust he gets from just looking at him. The want he feels for Liev is nothing like anything he has ever experienced and he doesn't know how to react. When Liev finally let's Chris know how he feels the sparks ignite.

Things get even more interesting when Chris's personal assistant gets into the mix. She sees what's

happening and understands the two men are torn about what they want from each other. So of course she does what any good assistant does, she assists, and helps fuel that need, little pushes here and perfectly placed questions, phrases, and actions there help to build the fire.

Once the two men give into the desire there is nothing holding them back, well nothing but pride. If Chris can overcome his public image and give into his desire for his bodyguard Liev all could work out.

This is an inferno of a love story between two men who have guarded their hearts for so long and have finally found their hearts desire in each other! I highly recommend this series. Another bonus other than the scorching hot love scenes and burning tension is that this book can be read as a stand alone .

READ IT, READ IT, READ IT!

* I received this book as an ARC for a true and unbiased opinion.

Autumn Review says

This is the kind of Erotic novel I've been looking for. I've been needing something really dirty and I found that with Guarded Desires. I don't read a whole lot of M/M, but I gotta say, there is something so hot about a good sword fight. This book was so hot that I'm still having hot flashes just thinking about it! I can't form coherent thoughts. Know this...my husband reaped the rewards of me reading this book. Multiple times. This is also the kind of book I'll set aside for when I need inspiration. Yes, I have several moments highlighted for future use. Aside from the sexy times, I really did like Chris and Liev. Individually they were great guys and together they were smokin'. I highly recommend this one if you're a fan of Erotica.

Note: Even though this is part of a series, I feel like this can be read as a stand alone.

◆*Arianna◆* says

2.5 STARS

Chris is an actor, a sex symbol. Every woman wants to sleep with him and he sleeps with them. He is in Australia to promote his new movie. Chris is straight and has never been attracted to another man. Everything changes when he meets his new bodyguard Liev, who is bi. He's attracted immediately to him, wondering how it will be with a man.

I liked the premise from the start, a movie star falling in love with his bodyguard. However, it just fell a little flat for me.

Chris was a little easy. He accepted too easy that he is bi or gay since he is straight. He didn't struggle with his feeling too much, from the start wanting to spend some hot time with Liev. For a guy who was straight all his life he was for sure ready to try anything.

At some point I thought that Bethany, Chris's personal assistant is the main character. She is mentioned way too much for a side character. And the fact that she is so damn annoying didn't help like her or something. I didn't see her role in this story.

There's sexual tension between Chris and Liev, but I didn't feel a stronger connection between them to fall for each other after one week and one night together. I didn't feel it at all! Actually, Liev knows very early that he loves Chris, close to 45%. Mhmmm..it was a bit early for me..Some parts are really ridiculous so I had to roll my eyes a few times and the ending like the entire story actually, was very predictable.

All in all, *Guarded Desires* was a sweet read with a little drama, but unfortunately just an ok read for me!

MaggieReadsRom says

4,5 stars

Even though I knew I was going to buy and read this book from the moment it was announced (right after I finished *MUSCLE FOR HIRE*, book 2 in this series) I started it with a healthy amount of trepidation. Why, you ask?

Because it was my first ever m/m romance without any ménage elements and without any female involvement in the romance and sex. If you know me or have taken a look at my shelves you will see that this is a first for me and it is not without a healthy dose of hesitation that I step outside my comfort zone. But as I said on FB: for Lexxie Couper I am willing to tread these uncharted waters.

What appealed to me a lot in this book was the gay-for-you theme. I loved the way Chris, a sex symbol for women and heterosexual as far as he knows, reacts to his initial sexual attraction to and later feelings for Liev. And it made me read those parts with a smile on my face. The confusion, disbelief and denial worked perfectly for the story. It also formed a great contrast to Liev's reactions to his attraction to Chris. Liev, comfortable with his bisexuality, is much more at ease with the attraction and feelings Chris evokes in him. This all created a wonderful dynamic of chemistry and sexual tension

I really liked Bethany. With her character Lexxie Couper gave me something I wasn't expecting at all and it serves me right because I shouldn't make assumptions, certainly not about a m/m romance. However, I suspect that my reason for liking Bethany and her role in the book, will be the reason seasoned m/m readers will dislike the part she played in this story but I don't care, I liked her character and the role she played in the development of the romance. I also loved the snippets about Aslin and Rowan. I really loved their book and characters and was happy to get a glimpse of them and their HEA.

It's not a surprise I love Lexxie Couper's writing style. The unapologetic explicitness and blunt directness in her writing are what I adore and click with. In *GUARDED DESIRES* it really suited the more raw feel sexual tension between two males creates. This sexual tension was exquisitely written. And of course there is always the dry humor. It shone through in the dialogues, especially the ones between Chris and Liev.

So what did I think of my first m/m romance reading experience you ask?

Well I truly enjoyed reading this book but cannot say I'm hooked on the subgenre. Whether I'll read more in the subgenre will depend on author and series because IMHO this one worked for me because it was a gay-for-you written into a favorite series by one of my very favorite authors whose writing is totally up my alley!

Fave Scenes:

- *the first kiss, against the door in the restaurant > holy moly, that was a smokin' hot one!*
- *the BJ > I'm not explaining which one, you'll know it when you read it. And no it's not *that* one. I'm talking Liev and Chris. Describing this scene as scorching, smokin' or combustible...all understatements!*
- *the 'snuggle virgin' convo scene > funny and HOT!*
- *the scene at the wildlife park > I loved Chris in that scene! He was magnificent!*

Fave Quotes:

*He was a sex symbol, women wanted to sleep with him and he slept with women. That was the way it was. Which explained why he was petrified watching the Australian bodyguard his brother-in-law had arranged to protect him while back in Oz draw closer. Because he'd never ever had his dick harden at the sight of a man. Harden, for f*ck's sake.*

Liev didn't do conflicted and complicated.

Liev did simple.

But there was nothing simple about the way Chris Huntley was looking at him. Nothing.

And there was nothing simple about the way Liev's body was reacting to that look.

He'd known the man was a firefighter when he wasn't working as a bodyguard, but now all Chris could do was picture him half-undressed, glistening with sweat, his hands wrapped around a freaking massive hose jutting out from the region of his groin. Subtlety, it seemed, was not one of Chris's newly confused brain's strong points.

When the actor's fingers fumbled with Liev's belt buckle, Liev thought he'd pass out. When Chris yanked the buckle free, when he reached for Liev's fly, black swirls of need erupted in Liev's head.

And then Liev had kissed him back, and Chris's head had exploded with raw, elemental lust, total, complete rapture. Nothing had mattered any more except that lust, that euphoria. He'd given himself over to every urge and want and longing that filled him. He'd touched the man, flesh to flesh, and was engulfed in new lust and rapture all over again the second Liev's erection pressed to his.

"Why the hell would I be pissed you slept with my brother-in-law? You're both grown men and I like you enough to know family get-togethers wouldn't be a living hell to experience. I'm pissed because you're too gutless to accept what seems to me to be something pretty special, and I'm the one dealing with the fall-out because Rowan has her hands full looking after our baby girl. By the way, Rowan says if you don't stop breaking her brother's heart she's going to kick your balls so far up into your ass, you'll need a mining team to find them again. Her words, Reynolds, not mine."

Alisa says

DNF @60% for being the dumbest thing I've read in a long time. I was trying to stick this out cuz I'm cheap w my audio credits but then Chris' PA starts sucking his dick so he and Liev will realize they are attracted to each other. Seriously..... She wanders around in skimpy clothes so they guys will think she's super hot but even despite that, they'll want each other. Then she leaves a note for one mc so he'll come looking for her. Then she sucks the other MC's dick so they'll get all jealous & go to each other.

When a book's major plot point literally revolves around a blow job conspiracy, done in a Scooby Doo gang manner, I've got to tap out. Tap. The. F@\$%.. Out!

The narrator was Australian so his Aussie accent was fine but his American one was pretty bad. His women's voices were even worse.

Gah.....just not good.

ZK says

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I don't know what to say!!! This book was torture for the first half of it and OMGS I almost abandoned ship but then it was such a nice thing that happened at the zoo (or wildlife preserve or whatever). Then it just had to abuse my feels again till almost the end of the book. *rants*

Very nice of him to stand his ground! I have little sympathy for Hollywood. Hmph.

Jen says

Chris and Liev

I liked Chris and Liev together. I had some issues with Bethany though and the fact that she never seemed to go away. Full review to come on *Fiction Vixen* Book Reviews

Lasha says

I wish I could rate the author's first M/M book higher, but it was all about how awesome Bethany was and how she got the two guys together, not really about Chris and Liev working out their own issues as two grown adult men.

JLOlvsbooks&dogs says

I didn't notice any other books for this author as M/M but wow did she nail it with this. I am not a fan of angst or the "will he" questioning type of scenarios so this book was great. I read it in one sitting, couldn't put it down in fact! Highly recommend this book, as it flowed nicely, didn't have any editing issues, good steam factor and of course my HEA. It is part of a series but most definitely a stand alone, without the long chapters explaining prior books, which was greatly appreciated as it was unnecessary. Fast paced, good action and some eyebrow raising scenes with some interesting characters. Two thumbs up people!

Sheryl says

Hands down, this is your BEST series, Lexxie Couper!!! I ABSOLUTELY LOVED Chris and Liev... (and that says A LOT, considering I LOVED Nick and Aslin beyond words, too) MY GAWD, the chemistry between them was so freakin' HAWT!!!! And they were just so sweet together *LE SIGH*

Phuong says

OMG! I just finished reading Guarded Desires by one of my fave Aussie author, Lexxie Couper, and it was AWESOME!!! I love this series and the stories just keep getting better and better. What I can't believe is that this is Lexxie's first male/male story she's written. If she did any better, I just might self-combust or have heat stroke. LOL! All I know is that Lexxie NEEDS to write more stories in this genre. Damn, Liev and Chris were SO good together and burned up the pages with their smoldering looks, deep lingering kisses and hot, hot, hot sex scenes.

I love when one of the heroes in a story struggle with his sexual preference and must come to terms with what's really in his heart. Chris Huntley is an American movie star who has slept with many starlets but has yet to find the "one". He's currently in Australia promoting his new film and Liev Reynolds has been hired as his personal bodyguard to protect him. One look, one touch has Chris denying, then questioning his sexuality and what that would do to his career. Will Chris finally admit his feelings for another man and act on them?

Liev doesn't "do" commitment or relationships but will Chris be the one to change that for this sexy Australian? He takes his job as a bodyguard seriously and will do whatever it takes to ensure Chris' safety as well as making sure his career remains intact. He struggles with his growing feelings that have turned personal. Another thing I love is when the hero is honorable and bound and determined to do the "right" thing and you see him tortured by that decision. This just adds to the character's sex appeal. I loved how caring and tender Liev was towards Chris, knowing that it was his first time with another man. Holy smokes! I didn't want these scenes to end "fans self".

A secondary character that I hope gets her own story is Chris' P.A., Bethany. I adored her and enjoyed her hand in matchmaking and getting these two stubborn guys together. She was no-nonsense yet caring and we got to see the reason behind her support of this coupling.

Another fabulous story that I could not stop reading and had to finish all in one sitting. This is a MUST read for all Lexxie's fans, fan of this series or fan of m/m stories. You will not be disappointed.

HereAndNow says

I loved, loved, loved this book! Such a sweet, romantic, sexy and hot lovestory. That the characters are a Hollywood action hero and a hot sizzling Australian bodyguard just made it even more perfect. I'm a sucker for the movie "The Bodyguard" so I just knew I'd love this story. And I *heart* stories of a first time for one of the guys. And let me tell you their first time was sizzling hot! Definitely a must-read and even though Bethany is a tiny little bit annoying and really shouldn't have shown up in that one sex scene, I'm giving it 5 stars :)

Jenn C says

DAMN - Sweet, funny and SEXY as all hell!!!! No read the first two just to get a little background before reading this one. This FAR surpasses them.
