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Our planet is just one of a bunch

Telling a story about the importance of survival within any circumstances, however strange, and showing a girl-in-a-man's-world angle, *Presence* is a novel about Samantha, a woman in her late twenties, both smart and attractive. One day, Samantha's regular life is suddenly turned around as the fact of her existence is somehow erased from the world. Nobody seems to remember her, her own apartment is occupied by the uninvited tenants, and even her sister, the only family Samantha has, is unable to recognize her. Lost and confused, Samantha accepts help from a stranger, a charismatic man named Archie, whom she accidentally encounters and unwillingly joins him in his fight against the silent invasion of the planet, *Alpha* planet as he calls it; and he himself happens to be a soldier from a parallel one, *Beta*. The glass wall put between Samantha's new life and her former life makes her discover the roadside of the world, dark and silent, the hidden place where her primary instincts come to the surface and she finally feels the urge to fight for herself and for others.

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John Malrick says

I have finally read this book. I've been waiting for it for quite a while. I gotta say it was awesome!

It kept me reading into the night until I finished it. I didn't think I'd be that captivated. The storyline was very original and I was fascinated by the idea of multiple Earths (Alpha, Beta and Gamma as in the book) and that they are all different and the way heroes traveled from one to another. And I also loved the whole silent invasion thing.

Was this book perfect? No. But I loved it. I pictured it vividly in my head how the life of a soldier from Beta would go in New York. It was very intense.

All in all, it's a great sci-fi book. 5 starz.

Brad Johnson says

It was an awesome book. I totally enjoyed reading it. Looking forward to the next one in the series.

Alan Hunning says

Was privileged to read before it is published and it's AMAZING. It's a MUST-READ. It's one of those "Hunger Games" gems. One of my favorite novels now. I can't wait for the promotion to start. People NEED to read it.

Johanna Reed says

It's weird but it turned out to be exactly what I hoped it would be. I enjoyed readin it 100%.

It was unique and suspenseful, and the plot was captivatin until the last page. Kept me readin for sure. And what about the world... It was incredible. You wouldn't expect much from having three parallel planets but the author turned it around completely and skilfully created amazing atmosphere that is kept throughout the book.

The trap balls and the blue sunrises and the soldiers and the dealers and everything... I was blown away.

5 out of 5.

Everyone who loves sci-fi has to read it.

Alex Ronald says

I finally finished it. I received a free copy from the Author a couple of weeks ago and I had my doubts when I started reading it. I thought I knew what was going to happen after the chapter two and I stopped reading for a couple of days but then I still wanted to know what was going to happen next and I'm so glad I continued reading.

It blew me away so much. The more I was reading the deeper I was getting into the unique world of Presence. The plot turned out to be completely unpredictable. In the end of each chapter things can change 360 degrees. And I loved it.

I love the atmosphere about this book, the NYC but off the grid and characters can't look any people in the eyes. By the way, the Author provided an awesome Digital Booklet with illustrations that were amazing and the graphical explanation of how the world of Presence worked. It was helpful and cool.

I got so captivated by this book I guess because it is so different from the things I was reading lately, it's unique and fresh. It kept me thrilled until the very last page.

I want more and I'm so reading the next book when it comes out.

Dan Scucevitch says

I just finished it and it was awesome. Totally unexpected and it took me somewhere where I didn't think this book would take me when I started reading. The Author is a screenwriter and it shows. The book has the television series structure where in the end of each chapter something shocking happens and changes everything. So it's a wild ride. And it's fast-paced especially towards the ending. You can't not fall in love with Samantha because she is such a trooper, a soldier actually, and she has an incredible will for life even though sometimes she thinks she doesn't really want to live but then she pulls it together and just keeps on fighting. A lot of shit happens to her but I'm not gonna disclose it. It's a part of the ride.

I totally enjoyed it and recommend it to people who love twists and turns and who doesn't like predictable plots, also the science-fiction element here is well-defined and pretty unique.

^*.,_(*.,_♥Laura♥.,_*^),_*' says

I'm not sure how to properly review the book as I am a rookie in this genre (Science Fiction is not my typical read).

However, I was very curious about this book just by its synopsis. So with that being said, I will simply drop a few lines to talk about the book from my personal perspective.

It took me a few tries to adapt to the writing (I felt it dry and ironic in places) and it was not an easy read, but once I got into the stride of it, I settled right in. I don't regret the time I took to go "off the reserve" so to

speak to read this. Once I “got it”, I thought the story was engaging. It had everything I believe would be included in a Sci-Fi book. It had some tension and mystery, with some wonder and imagination. My small quirk? I didn’t feel the characters were skillfully fleshed out, however, for some reason they fit the tone of the book. I could easily overlook my small nuance with that piece and really enjoy the read. I am looking forward to the second book!

Maria says

I just finished Presence a couple of days ago and I am still impressed and keep going back to the heroes of this book in my mind.

The world of Presence lets you in slowly and you feel almost like embarking on a journey across the ocean. It is slow and steady at first but then the waves start rocking the boat more and more. And the closer to the end of the book the stormier is the ocean. The plot becomes very intense and captivates you completely and there’ a lot of action and a lot of unexpected twists and turns. And I loved that.

As for the heroes, they are 100% real and relatable. I was rooting for every one of them with my heart. The main heroine, Samantha, had to go through a lot of troubles and she had learned to be tough and strong and yet stayed vulnerable and that is what makes her so relatable and makes you fall in love with her. For me as a woman she is an incredible source of inspiration.

When I finished reading the last page I was left wanting more. I definitely want to know what happens next and, as I already know that the next book is gonna be titled Beta, I can’t wait for it to come out. I just want more. I wish I had it on my hands now.

It’s a great book. It’s just great. Everyone should read it, but not under 18 because there’s some language and some sex scenes which are not explicit but not for children anyway. I loved this book and I’m looking forward to see what others are gonna be saying about it.

Jessica Torn says

Words can't even express how much I enjoyed this book. I'm finding myself having a similar phase in my life right now and Samantha's journey just lifted up my spirits. I was so inspired by her. When I picked up this book I thought it was just science-fiction but it's so much more than that. The emotions there are real and I can tell because I'm feeling the same way about my hardships right now. Great book! I can't wait for the sequel.

Alan Smith says

That is such a good book, 4.5 stars out of 5.

A lot of twists and turns and a lot of crazy shit happening with the main heroine, Samantha. You never know what's gonna happen on the next page. I so loved the ending, it leaves you wanting more.

The author redefined the parallel worlds subject for me. Here are three parallel Earths - Alpha, Beta and Gamma - but they are completely different. There are no same people living on all the parallel planets, people are all different and cultures are different. And Beta is trying to invade Alpha (our Earth) because Beta is dying.

I first expected there to be some technology stuff and lasers and computers and futuristic elements but I was so glad that the Author didn't go that way and kept it rather simple and stylish in that area. They have devices from Beta but those are simple and somewhat realistic and with a special style about them.

I thought it was unique and well-written, but be ready for sudden twists and don't expect it to go the way you would think it'd go in your mind.

I'm looking forward to reading the next book in the series.

Ryan Marie says

Sorry for writing this horrible rating, but I must warn others about this book. I looked this book up on Goodreads and saw the amazing reviews. "Awesome!" I said, and bought it.

Then I started reading. Oh. My. Gosh. By the time I was at page 50, there had been two sexual scenes, not to mention the cursing. And by the end of the book, the main character, Sam, had had sex MANY times and raped once. This is not worthy of one star in my opinion.

Jack Twist says

It's gonna be an amazing book, I've read a couple of chapters. A MUST-READ. Can't wait for it to come out!

Jessica Boehn says

I really loved this book. As far as the science fiction goes it was superb.

Yes, maybe the writing and the characters were a little flat and not quite there but it wasn't annoying to me at all because I was so captivated by the plot that I wanted to keep reading no matter what.

The storyline, it takes you into this new world and it is so different and interesting. I thought it was quite imaginative of the Author to come up with all those elements like the Systems and the trapping balls and the Elite, etc. They all fit together well and created a vivid picture in my head.

Besides that, I also related to the drama in Samantha's life and her losing everything so fast. I had a little bit of similar drama of my own and I definitely could relate to her struggle and was inspired also with the way she managed to get back on her feet no matter how hard the blow was.

The ending was great, for the series that is. It definitely makes you want more. Luckily the second book is on the way.

Casey Hamilton says

I don't know what book the people giving presence were reading to give it five stars, but the book is FULL of grammatical errors and so poorly edited it makes me wonder if it was edited at all. Its an interesting storyline but the poor writing and editing meant the book was too frustrating to finish. One star is generous.

Julie Right says

I read this one in a less than 24-hour time period. It's one of my favorite books of the year now. And I didn't expect that. The Author is not well-known but I was intrigued by the synopsis and the illustrations (which are awesome by the way) and the book trailer.

SPOILER

So this is the story about Samantha, a young and beautiful woman... read the synopsis.... She is troubled by the mysterious noise that she is constantly hearing and there is nothing she can do about it or make it stop or anything. Doctors have no idea what it is and where it comes from. The noise goes away eventually but together with the noise goes away Samantha's life. She loses her "life" and now nobody remembers who she is and there are uninvited tenants in her apartment.... read the synopsis :) And that is the point where the actual story starts. Samantha is now a "placeless", she is no longer registered in the System which is a thing that controls life/lives on the planet. The System is now gonna be trying to erase her. You'd think it's somewhat close to Matrix but it's really not. When you are reading the book the whole concept comes very original.

There are also two other parallel Earths, Beta and Gamma and our Earth is called Alpha. So people from Beta for the reasons of not wanting to die on the planet which was wasted, are now trying to relocate to Alpha and invade the planet. So the soldiers from Beta were actually the ones who took Sam's "life" away and made her "placeless". Now, as both Samantha and the soldiers are all "placeless", and the System is trying to erase them all, they have to learn how to survive. But one thing that differs Samantha from the soldiers is that she doesn't want them to take over the Alpha-planet and that is basically the main twist.

END OF SPOILER

I don't know if I made any sense and if I didn't then go and read the book :))

In any way, I really enjoyed this one. I thought it was original and nicely-paced and kept me wondering and wanting to read more, so much that I basically read it over night.

Would I recommend it? Hell yes! :) A solid 5 stars.
