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Anything can happen on a reality show, though finding a body on set—and live on air—is new. Melissa McBallister is young, rich, and beautiful but frustrated. She wants nothing more than to be a famous author like her mother. When the opportunity to be on a new reality TV show comes her way, she grabs the chance, hoping to find some inspiration. When a castmate is murdered during a live broadcast and her blood is literally on Melissa's hands, the young writer gets more than she bargained for—reality TV is much stranger than fiction. Can Melissa prove that she's innocent?

Ryan Sethi prefers to produce TV commercials. They're boring and safe. But he can't pass up the opportunity to produce a show about socialites in Fishcreek Falls, an exclusive ski town high in the Rocky Mountains. But can he keep the show, cast, crew, and especially Melissa safe while a killer is on the loose? Or will a reality TV show gone bad ruin both of their lives?

Lights, Camera, Murder Details

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Ashly says

Entertaining and quick read

These quicker books are a nice little break from day to day life. Really enjoyed, looking forward to the next.

Joni says

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A cozy mystery set in Montana where reality tv show is being filmed. Action, family interaction, petty behaviour, romance and some truly laugh-out-loud situations. A good read.

Joann Herley says

Lights, Camera, Murder is a fun twist on Reality TV Stars. It started a little slow, but I hung in there and was rewarded with an enjoyable mystery that kept me guessing.

Rebecca says

Low 3

Mystery resolves but it doesn't feel finished because the character arc about her writing is completely ignored towards end so cuts off unresolved. Loses track of character once.

Wanda says

Fun story!

Other than two things, I really enjoyed this book a lot. The first thing I was not thrilled about was the alcohol consumption by the main character, Melanie. She started off as what seemed to be a borderline alcoholic, and I was glad that aspect of her character seemed to resolve by the end of the book. Item #2 was the word "snuck". For some reason that word really leaves me feeling disgusted. I realize it has become common usage now, but it really isn't "proper" to use it and I have never been able to get past the 'icky' feeling it gives me. The proper term is "sneaked". Yeah... I'm the grammar police. Rant over :)

Texas says

Of Murders & Mages #1 - I was first introduced to Ella with The Case of the Exploding Luck Pumpkin, which I liked it. This is a well written story full of intrigue, suspense, emotions and humor. There's a bit of sexual tension between Ella and Vincent, although they haven't discovered it in this story nor is it as strong as it was the short story with the exploding pumpkin. I had a lot of fun reading this, especially since it is so better edited than books in this genre; no distractions from the story. There's a good overview, which I appreciate knowing about a story before I read it. Needs very minor editing. 4*

Nikki Haverstock, The Case of the Exploding Luck Pumpkin - My first story by this author. I found it funny, entertaining, but I kept seeing Vin Diesel as the Vincent, and interesting with good sexual tension. I read it in the Witch or Treat paranormal collection. 4*

Lights, Camera, Murder #1 - I don't care for TV since it's full of garbage, and reality TV, including the news, is a lower form of garbage, all scripted regardless of its nomenclature. But I did like this book because of the writing style and humor. The storylines were good, but it's still a cozy. The interest between Ryan and Melissa was well done. Of course, the best actor in the bunch, Bubbles the Toot Machine. Since this book was better than I expected, I read the second book of this two book series since it was in my library. Minor editing needed. 4*

Crossover Murder #2 - Same sentiments as above about TV and company, but this book concentrated more on everything but the filmings, two rTV shows together with their own crews. This book picks up with week five productions, Lights ended with week four. While the characters, the storylines and the love interest were still interesting, I found this book a bit wordy. Along with the minor editing, an editor should have tightened the story, making it a little more fast paced since it did bog down in a few places with the extra wordage. Still interesting reading and the characters have filled out more. 4*

Toni says

Fun read

Fun story and kept the mystery of who done it in a satisfying way. The main character was flawed as she struggled to find her own passion. As for the structure of the book, it was confusing and sometimes challenging to keep up with who's voice we were hearing. I would have preferred to have the chapters change with the new voice.

Having said that, I did enjoy reading it and learning about the characters.

Rachel says

Fun read

A quick and quirky adventure with captivating characters all the way through! I love reality shows, which was what attracted me to this book. Funny, with light romance thrown in - and to top it off, one of the main players is a feisty little dog named Bubbles! Need I say more?

Carrie says

Melissa McBallister doesn't consider herself famous, she's been a ghostwriter on a couple of books but really wants to follow in her mother's footsteps and become a famous author. When her family looks into having their property featured on a new reality television show though the show offers her a spot on the cast and after meeting sexy Ryan Sethi, the producer, Melissa immediately jumps at the opportunity but when a castmate ends up murdered Melissa is the prime suspect and needs to clear her name.

Lights, Camera, Murder by Nikki Haverstock was an enjoyable little cozy mystery. The story is set around a reality television show, the Savvy Socialites of Fishcreek Falls, being filmed in the small ski town where Melissa lives. My best guess is the premise of the show being filmed seems to be similar to the Real Housewives type of reality television but I've never actually watched those myself. The idea though seems to be to get the ladies in the cast together and hope for some drama to happen.

It's a lighthearted type of cozy mystery often having some pretty humorous moments as the story built up to the murder to be solved. But I will say I would have liked to have the actual action and case start a bit sooner. If the official synopsis and the whole idea of a "cozy mystery" didn't hint at a murder I wouldn't even mention it in a review since it doesn't take place until the midway point of the book which is a bit slow getting to the nitty gritty of the story for my taste.

Overall, I found this one an entertaining read and think fans of cozy mysteries would enjoy this one even if it did have a bit slow of a start.

I received a copy from the publisher via NetGalley in exchange for an honest review.

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Evelyn says

A good murder mystery that I really enjoyed!

Anette De Villiers says

Loved this cozy murder mystery - liked that it was on the longer side. Loved Melissa and the little dog that stole the show

Kary says

Cute fun read. Love Bubbles the dog.

Mooncat says

It was a fun read. A bit slow in the beginning and overall a bit wordy, with a lot of details not so worked out I had the impression. But Bubbles is to die for and other characters are compelling as well. So it's a good read for a lazy day.

Debi says

This is my first book by this author. The characters were interesting and Bubbles is hilarious. Not my usual reading selection but I did enjoy it. She definitely needs a better editor.

Laura says

Great series. I like that is definitely a cozy mystery. It is not sleazy, graphic or full of foul language. I really enjoyed this book and hope that more books are written in this series.
