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Limboland is a medical thriller, and Book 2 in the St. Augustus Chronicles. It introduces Psychiatrist Rand Morrissey. The Jigsaw Man is the first in the series.

## **Limboland Details**

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## **From Reader Review Limboland for online ebook**

### **Belinda Knight says**

A Goodreads Win.. :o)

This was an ok little book. It didn't pull me in and grab me like I hoped it would, but it kept me entertained enough that I read it all in one sitting.

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### **Michael Lane says**

In this second installment from the St. Augustus Chronicles, 8-year-old Chelsa Moran is the victim of a terrible car accident. The accident leaves Chelsa in a comatose state suffering from extensive brain damage. The doctor recommends Chelsa be taken off life-support. Tim and Melanie Moran fight over the decision as to whether to continue to allow their daughter to exist in a vegetative state with little hope of recovery. Tim prevails to keep Chelsa alive. His decision and the discovery that Melanie was pregnant by her boss, John Cantrell, a man she was having an affair with for purposes of bolstering her career shoved them down the aisle of divorce.

Six-years later, Sienna Cantrell, Melanie's second daughter with now husband John Cantrell, is happy and healthy except for some unexplained fainting spells. Psychiatrist Rand Morrissey is brought in to try to diagnose the problem. Traditional explanations fall by the wayside one-by-one. In the meantime, Chelsa was receiving nerve stimulation treatments in a final hope to revive her brain functions. Turning to hypnosis therapy, Dr. Rand discovers an unsettling connection between Chelsa's memories and Sienna's fainting spells, particularly since Sienna had no knowledge that she even had a half-sister. Dr. Rand follows his investigation through a maze of leads that emerge in the field of the theological theory of spiritual Limbo. Add to this the engaging backstories of Dr. Rand and Melanie, along with Melanie's natural predilection for deceit and manipulation and you have a rollercoaster ride of intrigue.

Limboland is a riveting, well-written, page-turner of a medical thriller that I highly recommend.

-- Michael R. Lane, author of The Gem Connection

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### **Teresa Lavender says**

I got this book free for an honest review from Goodreads. I never know what to expect with the books that I get for review. I LOVED this book! I literally could not put it down until I finished! It has all the elements that I love in a good story - mystery, drama, supernatural. Very well written. It has a feel that there could be more to the story - perhaps a sequel?? At any rate, I look forward to more from this author.

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### **Yafania T. says**

Deep, Riveting, and suspenseful, I read late into the night. The end was as unexpected as it was satisfying.

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### **Caryn says**

I was given a copy of this book in exchange for an honest review. Somehow it got lost in my email and my review is delayed so my apologies to the author. I really enjoyed this story. Such a fascinating concept. I couldn't put it down and had to talk through it with my husband when I finished reading it. I'm most definitely going to read others by her. Highly recommend if you want something a little different that will make you think.

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### **William Bitner Jr. says**

Genre - Medical/Metaphysical/Psychological Thriller

Pages - 238

“Limboland (St. Augustus Chronicles, Book Two)” by Leigh Goodison was an exceptional read. I would like to thank Leigh for gifting me an e-copy of this book. While some of the reactions and reviews for this second book were not as positive as the first book, I found I enjoyed this one much more. I think it may have been that the subject matter in this installment was far more interesting to me. It also had a bit of a paranormal feel to it with the idea of reincarnation and the exchanging of souls. This book was also more involved with the psyche of each character as opposed to being villainous in a murderous sort of way. In “The Jigsaw Man” there was a murder or destruction of the body, in “Limboland” it is more a destruction of one's mind and how that affects those close to us and around us. It had a thought provoking, interesting, and well organized and researched plot. Each character held my attention, and had me listening to what they had to say. I was snatched from the very beginning of this one right to the end. While the book ends well, one has to wonder if there might be more to be said (one can only hope). Like I said for “The Jigsaw Man”, this book is a book in a series but can be read as a standalone and there is no need to read them in any specific order as long as you jsut read them! I thoroughly enjoyed this, my third read by Leigh Goodison, and I look forward to many more hours of delving into her words.

Synopsis (from back cover): Psychiatrist Rand Morrissey is faced with a quandary when he is consulted on the baffling case of five-year-old Sienna, who has been suffering from unexplained fainting spells. Then he discovers that Sienna has a half-sister, Chelsa, who has been in a coma since a car accident six years earlier, something the girls’ manipulative mother Melanie Cantrell has kept secret.

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### **Gina Schwartz says**

Interesting premise in this novel. Some things left explained though such as the mother's role and her real

motivation. could possibly be re-worked and made a little longer to fully explore all of the issues raised. The end comes very abruptly.

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### **James Marquis says**

I've always been very interested in both psychology and spirituality so this book was definitely a good fit for me. An intriguing novel about how our lives on this plane of existence might affect what happens to us later on. The writing is sharp and the plot moves along well. I definitely recommend it.

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### **Andrew says**

Leigh Goodison has written another decent book. The two main characters have enough backstory to flesh them out as real. The story also moves along fast enough to keep you involved.

The reincarnation aspect of the story was a tad bit out there but the ending did catch me off guard. But I willingly admit it was the way it should have ended. Like the early book *The Jigsaw Man*, I think there is more that could have been explored.

I wish to thank LibraryThing for my advanced reader copy in exchange for this review.

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### **Lizzy Shannon says**

A great story and really held my interest throughout. It also made me think long and hard about what might happen in the afterlife. Very thought provoking as well as entertaining.

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### **Yona Schuh says**

I received a free copy of this book in exchange for an honest review.

This book. Man, this book.

I started out not liking this book much at all. No, I actually almost quit reading altogether close to the beginning because nothing seemed to be clicking. The only reason that I didn't was because I felt obliged to review this book.

And good thing that I did.

The more I read this book, the more I seemed to like it. It's strange, because none of the individual aspects stand out to me much, the characters are all nice, although not breathtaking. There is one particular character that I honestly can't stand and that deserved everything. Spoilers!

The setting or the writing style also didn't stand out to me with all of the other books I read this month, but still, something about this book intrigued me. I really, really liked this book. I don't know why.

I don't think I'll be picking it up for a re-read anytime soon, but still, for what it is and what it was trying to

do, I enjoyed my time with this book.

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**Pat says**

good story

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**Stephen says**

I won this bppk on goodreads.com !

I liked it. A lot.

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