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In the shadows of the towers, your only hope is to scavenge for the truth...

One hundred and fifty years after the earth was ravaged by war, the two self-sustaining towers built by OmniLab continue to offer a safe haven for those who paid the hefty price to assure their family's survival. But on the surface, there are others who have survived over the years struggling to barter and trade artifacts found within the ruins of the crumbling cities in exchange for critical supplies.

When Kayla, a ruin rat skilled in computer hacking and scavenging, discovers a strange artifact known as The Aurelia Data Cube, she finds herself inadvertently caught up in a series of events that threatens the lives of the mysterious and elusive people within OmniLab.

Carl, an unorthodox trader with a head for business, is determined to eradicate the corruption amongst his OmniLab brethren and has no qualms about using Kayla to do it. Unfortunately, he wasn't counting on the vastness of the corruption or his own feelings for the headstrong woman who turns his life upside down.

Caught between the life she knew and a dangerous world that's claimed her as their own, Kayla learns the fearful truth behind just how far one man will go to obtain power and how far she'll go to survive.

*This book was previous released as The Two Towers but has been significantly revised and modified from its original format.

Beneath the Fallen City Details

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Lizzie says

I really enjoyed reading this book! I was given a copy in exchange for an honest review.

The blurb and cover drew me in and I have to say, the story didn't disappoint. I was expecting a dystopian future story, but actually this was a little bit of everything that I like: sci-fi, fantasy, romance, ancient secrets - it would make an awesome TV series.

What I liked most about the book was Kayla, the protagonist, and her relationship with the supporting characters (Carl and Alec). The dialogues made me laugh out loud every now and then. She's witty, sarcastic, and she doesn't take nonsense from people who are trying to turn her world upside down. But she isn't pig-headed to the point where she won't listen to anyone, either.

One minor complaint I had was that there was a little bit too much 'inner dialogue' where the reader is being told what Kayla's thinking or feeling. The competently-written dialogue is more than enough to make it obvious what she's going through! Other than that, kudos for the editing. I didn't spot any typos or awkward sentence structures. Let's hope this one gets a sequel! I'm curious to see what else Ms Waters can come up with :)

Vinny Lee says

The book "The Two Towers" was my first experience with Jamie A. Waters' work. I welcomed the chance to read this futuristic, sci-fi novel when I was offered it in exchange for an honest review. Being a fan of authors such as Issac Asmov and George Orwell when I was a child, I remember being absorbed for hours about possible advances in science and future events for the human race. This book, being based 150 years in the future was quite a read and I found it right on par with my childhood memories of reading a good science fiction story.

I found the story to be very well written and engaging. If the author didn't do it themselves; whomever edited and proofread this book needs to be applauded. The arrangement of each paragraph flowed well and each chapter was very easy to read. What pleased me most about the authors writing style, was that it didn't feel stilted in language and it wasn't absurd or awkward to read. Unfortunately, I find a lot more bad writing from seasoned authors. I read the other reviews of this book and say that I must agree that this does remind me of the Hunger Games a bit; although I've never read the book and only seen the movie.

I liked the lead character Kayla. She reminded me of a 5 foot 2 inch stick of street-smart, ruin-rat dynamite, ready to explode at a moments notice. Her saucy and inquisitive demeanor in the story-line filled her out and kept the character interesting. Kayla having a back-story built in to the plot really helped as well. Her man Carl, made a great underdog at her side battling the corrupt and evil Omnilab. The other characters such as Seara and even Varidian also seemed well thought out and developed too. In my opinion, the whole story was very well put together, believable and vividly written from start to finish.

I'm really amazed that this work seems to be this authors first book here on Amazon. Bravo! This author deserves five stars all the way for a fantastic debut release. I would recommend this book to all adults that like action packed science fiction!

Natasha says

Moreso 3.5 stars.

Myreadbooks says

I would like to thank the author and the Netgalley website for this partnership.

I was immediately attracted to the cover and the summary.

It is learned from the beginning that since 150 years after the land was destroyed, two towers built by an Omnilab have allowed those who have survived and managed to protect their families to find refuge in these two towers. We find Kayla there, gifted in computer hacking and who finds an artifact and will find herself in trouble.

I immediately hooked on the story, which was so captivating and full of suspense and twists and turns, as well as the characters. Looking forward to reading on.

David Ketelsen says

I received a free e-copy of The Two Towers from the author, Jamie Waters, last week. The book is a frothy combo of science fiction trappings with some romance writing style mixed in. The result is a very human focused book with the novelty and high interest level that comes with good dystopian SF. One cautionary note for younger readers---there's some steamy passages that should limit the audience to adults.

I loved this book. Waters is an excellent writer and the editing is top notch. This is an excellent book that just demands to be made into a movie. Waters has a sense of visual and emotional drama that grabs the reader and just doesn't let go. Her main character, Kayla, is just barely an adult but is already a highly skilled scavenger and technician with an innate sense of where to look for loot in the ruins that remain of human civilization. She's scrappy, sexy, empowered and willing to go toe-to-toe with anyone and everyone. Believe me---she's a fantastic heroine. There's also the two love interests that you find in romance novels but that's about all that's typical about this book. Waters throws out the normal bodice ripping stereotype and has created a book that is inventive and really holds your interest. This is a great book and the sequel is coming out in a few weeks so this is a perfect time to start reading the series.

Pratr- Authors says

I received the book from the author and Paranormal Romance and Authors that rock for an honest review.

One hundred and fifty years In the future, after the world has been destroyed by wars. Kayla is a ruin rat, searching ruins for anything of value that can be sold for credits. She has good instincts when searching. Carl

is a Omni trader, one of tow that deal directly with Omni. He wants Kayla and just not as a ruin rat. Kayla works for Leo, along with her partner Veridian. About a year before she found the Aurelia Data Cube and Ramiro stole it, then Kayla stole it back and sold it. Ramiro is out to get Kayla and from here the story picks up the pace.

You got to love Kayla, she is feisty, head strong a fantastic female lead. Carl is a little harder to read. Sometimes you get the feeling he is just using Kayla but then other times you feel as if he really has feelings for her. Character development is out of this world. Even the secondary characters are great. The descriptions of how the world looks now is great. Such detail you can picture it in your mind. There are a lot of twists and turns and the story doesn't always go the way you think it will. Great read for lovers of sci-fi/ dystopian stories.

Beth says

What an exciting start to a fabulous new series! Jamie A. Waters' *The Two Towers* sucked me in and left me wanting more.

In a dystopian society, Kayla is highly skilled at recovering artifacts that can further society and traded for survival. When her skills get her noticed by Omnilab, the powers within the towers...Kayla's simple scavenging life will never be the same.

Can you say, "I didn't see that coming"...

Totally unexpected plot twists and turns keeps *The Two Towers* jumping through your imagination, but Waters also writes a highly original tale with expert world building and fabulous characters that had me clinging to the pages. Quite simply, this book was a perfect match for my reading tastes. It had science fiction, dystopia, and romance all wrapped up in one marvelous storyline. I will be anxiously awaiting the continuation of this story.

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Genre: Science Fiction

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-RadioactiveBookworm- says

"Beneath the Fallen City" is the first book I've read from author Jamie A. Waters, and I have to say, I really enjoyed it. The main character Kayla, is a young woman who feels more alive than ever scouring the ruins of

old civilizations. After world wars ravaged the planet, all that's left are camps, destroyed buildings, and two mysterious towers owned by a strange company called OmniLabs.

Check out the rest of my review here!

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Scarolet Ellis says

OMG!!!! This is an amazing story written by an amazing author and I am so glad I read this story. I never read anything from this author before this story. I highly recommend this story to everyone and if you buy this story you will not be disappointed at all. I loved it.

This is my honest and unbiased opinion of the story.

PelicanFreak says

This is the kind of book that swoops in and restores my faith in the arts. In a dull, dull world where everyone is just putting their own spin on things that already exist and trying to make a buck, Waters comes in and gives us a whole new world to get lost into.

Beneath the Fallen City has complex characters who will prompt all kinds of emotions; some you'll love, others you'll love to hate. Others, you might even go back and forth on as more details emerge or they show their true colors.

I had resorted to re-reading old favorites like Harry Potter and The Hunger Games when I really need an escape, another world to get lost in. With this series, I won't be needing to revisit past reads for a while. The reader gets a world that, while foreign, has plenty we can still relate to and dive right into. Nothing needs further explanation; it's all made to make perfect sense and be comprehensible, without any long-winded or far-fetched explanations.

There's action and fighting and various types of drama from romantic to vengeful to plain old greed and there's adventure; all of it has a bit of a paranormal aspect, but nothing inconceivable. There's some good versus bad or right versus wrong, but not in the same old, done-to-death way we always see. The reader is also treated to a love triangle of sorts, but not the usual, been-done-to-death type. I don't want to give too much away, so I'll just say it's well done, really fun and I definitely have my steady favorite to root for.

Every time I stepped away from this book, all I wanted to do was get back to it. Not much holds my attention these days, let alone sucks me in this extremely anymore. It's so refreshing.

Also, if you want a good, strong female lead or role model, Kayla is a total badass. Read it, buy it for your daughters, nieces, etc. as that front is also covered. Carl is a good male role model, while we're on the topic: a guy with good intentions and a pure heart. I feel like there is something for everyone to relate to in this complex, action-packed, adventure-filled read.

5 stars. I wouldn't change a thing.

Masquerade Crew says

REVIEWER: DYANE

3.0 ON THE MASQ SCALE

This book is a solid start for a new writer. The setting is very interesting, as is the concept of a team of 'ruin rats' scavenging artifacts for a bunch of people essentially locked away in two towers, and the main character's origins are equally interesting.

What lacked for me, however, was a real sense that this was a science-fiction story. There are many features mentioned (sensors, UV gear, com-links, etc.) but few were described with enough detail to give clues as to what they looked like or how they worked. For some people that might not be a big thing, but I like to feel immersed in a story, especially when it is happening in a place invented by the author. Also, I had thought the story was a science-fiction novel with romance in it and soon realized it was a romance with science-fiction in it. Again, for some that might not be an issue, but it affected my perception of what I was getting into and my overall enjoyment of the story. That said, the intimate scenes were well-written and quite hot.

I would have liked to see more character development from some of the secondary characters. Veridian, I think, could have been stronger, and some of the others as well. Still, the cast functions well as a support for Kayla and, by the end, everyone does what they are expected to do. I did find Kayla too intense for me, sometimes overly reactive and downright obnoxious, but she did have her quiet, sensitive moments, which helped make her likable.

It'll be interesting to see what comes next, as book 1 raises many intriguing questions to be answered in book 2.

Jaid says

Jamie A. Waters magically transports her readers to a war ravaged world of post apocalyptic action, doused with political and emotional upheaval along with some ill-timed romance. Carefully building her domain into a well oiled machine she holds us close and dares us to look away. Torn between two very opposite lives with a multitude of obstacles and loves, her heroine fights for truth, personal freedom and the right of every human...to live.

I fell hopelessly in love with the completely relatable Kayla, the female protagonist. She was witty, head strong and full of spunk which had me absolutely laughing out loud! All characters were well thought out individuals making a lasting impression on your psyche. The plot was layered with numerous surprises around every corner and left me trying to peer unsuccessfully around them.

Her amazing imagination shows through and I enjoyed the overall pacing of the plot. The dialog was realistic, not overly saturated and flowed well. Her descriptive ability really shines and it comes alive

through her writing.

She managed to not only breathe life into her characters but throughout the very environment that surrounds them. Ms. Waters flawlessly integrates romance, sci-fi, post apocalypse and adventure with grace and flare, subsequently making you yearn for more.

Derek White says

A Copy of this Book Was Given To Me By The Author In Exchange For An Honest Review

I was, after reading it amazed to learn that this is a debut novel. The story has everything a sci fi tale should have - - a credible plot where the world created by the author is credible, and more important there are no inconsistencies or continuity errors such as one often gets with an author's first work. It is rare, nowadays, to find a post apocalyptic tale that does not leave you depressed after reading it: there is hope for the human race after all! Kayla is a heroine that male readers will love immediately and female ones will envy. Unlike most such people in novels she has two suitors, either of whom will do nicely. No doubt future episodes will sort out who gets to spend their life with her.

The story itself will keep your interest as it did mine and you will keep turning pages right to the end. You will then look forward to the next story set in this future just as I am.

Welcome to a new author with the same ability to describe the world as Arthur C Clarke, Asimov and others.

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***Avonna says**

I am so happy I tried THE TWO TOWERS (Book #1, Post-Apocalyptic Romance) by Jamie A. Waters! This book is an exciting start to a new YA post-apocalyptic romance series. It is a mix of sci-fi, paranormal and YA romance done right. It has well planned and executed world-building, realistic dialogue and plot twists throughout. I find it hard to believe this book is from a first time author!

The world of The Two Towers is set 150 years after a devastating war that left the Omnilab Towers and few survivors on the surface of the Earth. The Towers contain the Inner Circle that had them created for survival of their families to keep their bloodlines pure and for those who paid well enough to survive with them. The survivors on the surface of the earth are the 'ruin rats'. They scavage through the remains of the past for artifacts they can trade for survival to traders, who are lower level Omnilab employees represented in different districts on the surface.

Kayla grew up on the surface with an adopted family and is one of the best ruin rats ever. She has an uncanny ability to find some of the best artifacts even after the traders have cleared a section and the rats are just left with the remains. She is also able to computer code and pick locks better than anyone. She finds The Aurelia Data Cube and sets in motion the plot that will carry her and her friends forward to discover her biological roots, powers and the corruption in The Towers.

Kayla is a fantastic heroine! She is small and sexy, a powder keg if you get her riled, but she is also loyal and loving to a fault. The differences in her two romantic interests, Carl, a Trader and Alec, a member of the Inner Circle couldn't be greater, but they both love her and are willing to do anything to keep her.

This series is a must continue for me!

Written for and posted first on The Romance Reviews.com.

Lcdk says

I finished this book before bed last night, but only just found time to leave a review. First of all, let me say that I love science-fiction and especially any sci-fi that has a dystopian or post-apocalyptic influence. That is what first intrigued me enough to give this book a chance, but it's definitely not the only thing that kept me hooked once I had delved into the story.

What I admire about this author and 'The Two Towers' is the simple fact that she isn't afraid to stand out from the mainstream and generic that most writers seem to abide by; Jamie A. Waters adds a unique twist to the genre that I haven't come across before, and I would consider that to be quite an impressive feat - considering the fact that I have read countless sci-fi books over the years that incorporate a dystopian them in some form or another, yet there's only a few that I would consider to be in the same tier of quality that I would say The Two Towers resides in.

Another thing that stood out to me about this book is the added romance twist, which adds an extra layer of originality to the book and which is also a big reason of why I loved this book so much and literally found myself reading it whenever I had the chance. I have seen a few authors try to blend different elements from other genres into a post-apocalyptic/dystopian setting, but most fail - thankfully, Jamie A. Waters has gone way above and beyond and left me not only more than satisfied with the book, but also with a name to keep an eye on - in anticipation of future releases. I highly recommend The Two Towers, and I ultimately give this book a strong 9/10, there are a few very minor 'rough parts', but I haven't came across a single perfect book in my life, so I am still going to give this book 5 stars, as I think that's what this author truly deserves, considering she isn't one of the 'big names' of the genre, at least not yet..
