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Book two of The Witching Pen series

Seven days ago, Elizabeth May tried to commit suicide. She was found by Paul, her husband, who took her under his wing and back to their home. But the attempted suicide is not Elizabeth's main problem - Elizabeth can't remember who she is, or a single thing about her life beyond the past week.

Plagued by nightmares about a familiar black panther, and a terrifying snow leopard, she is convinced that the dreams are trying to show her something important, and is determined to regain her memories, one way or another.

Meanwhile, Pueblo - the demon blood-bonded to the witch, Amy - is going insane trying to find her. Amy disappeared one week ago, and it seems not even their bond is strong enough to penetrate whatever magic hides her.

As Pueblo enlists the help of angels and demons alike, Elizabeth begins to piece together parts of her forgotten life. But what she uncovers may just have her wanting to turn away from who she really is ... for good.

The Sands Of Time Details

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From Reader Review The Sands Of Time for online ebook

Nikki McCarver says

I really enjoyed the first book of this series, but I must admit this was a stellar second part. In my experience, the second or third book depending on how many there are in the series, kind of lags. Not so in this case. In my opinion this book was actually better than the first.

In the first book you think you have all the good guys/bad guys nailed. Its black and white and you couldn't be more Wrong. That is an absolutely horrid assumption to make. This one lacks the sweetness of the first part and delves into the darker sides of love. It had an ingenious twist dealing with a time loop that has you drooling by the sheer creativity of the author. I admit it. I am absolutely hooked into this story.

We have Elizabeth who has lost all of her memories. She wakes up after apparently trying to commit suicide (her wrist is bandaged) to a life she feels no connection to. She is married to Paul and from his point of view they were extremely happy. So why did she try to kill herself if they were living in wedded bliss? Things don't add up and the only peace she has is when she sleeps. In her dreams she is comforted by a beautiful black cat who wraps her in a sense of familiarity that she lacks in her waking reality.

Pueblo is frantically searching for Amy. He hasn't slept or ate in the two weeks she has been missing. He doesn't feel comfortable with the mismatched group that he has come to know through her. Karl makes him feel humble while Elana, his half-demon/half-witch mate, secretly scares the crap out of him. She is like a bomb that could explode at any minute. He refuses to be around her if Karl isn't there and believes its in everyones best interest that Elena is NEVER parted from him. Look what almost happened the last time. He convinces the group to seek out another sect of demons with magical powers. Amy has literally fallen of the map, so shes either lost in time, or in one of the levels of hell. Piece of cake right? lol!!

Mary is the character that fascinates me the most. We have demons, angels, and witches (oh my!) already in this story, but Mary is on another scale altogether. I am leaning towards dark prophet. That is the best guess I have. Especially when she disappears from jail at the end of the story. Talk about a cliffhanger. This series has completely sucked me in and I cannot wait for the next book!! Dianna has added a dark edge to her story that is seductively addictive. I eagerly await the final taste!!!

Anne (Angel Anne Reviews) Nelson says

Once again the wondrous mind of Author Dianna Hardy has turned out a phenomenal book, in this gem "The Sands of Time" (this one so far is my favorite in the series) book #2 in The Witching Pen Novellas!!! I would personally truly love for this novella to become a full length book, actually it would be real nice that they all be combined together. *flutterz wingz n nods head*

The Sands of Time picks right up where book #1 The Witching Pen left off.

Amy who is a witch/shifter has been kidnapped by Elena's grandfather, Etienne. He sends Amy to the year 1956 - Pueblo who is blood bond to Amy is searching desperately for her, but he can't "feel" her anymore !!! Not in HIS space in time...

With the help of Amy's friends: Elena, Mary, Karl and Gwain they are doing everything to save her.

I'm trying not to give too much away about the story, which is hard for me especially with this novella, because it is soooooo good.

But, I will tell you this, The Sands of Time is not just about one main character, nope there are several!! I counted 6. Some may say more or less. Each person or couple in this case have their own story going on. Each story vital to the complete package that makes up this novella. So much depth.

Pueblo - Shanka demon and human shifter

Amy - Shifter and witch

Gwain - Angel

Mary - ummm, not sure yet :-/

Karl - Angel and human

Elena - Witch (most powerful) and Shanka demon

The Sands of Time has pretty much a taste for everyone's ideal read, you'll find shifters, angels, witches, demons, wicked spells, portals, time travel and of course love and betrayal. (yep, I think that just about covers it all) :-D

** This book does have some sexually explicit scenes ** but to me, without them this novella just wouldn't be the same.

I highly recommend The Sands of Time as a spectacular paranormal romance read!!!

The Witching Pen Novellas:

The Witching Pen

The Sands of Time

Wilted (prequel)

The Demon Bride (Can't wait of this one)

Recommend: Adult (due to some scenes)

Rating: 5/5 angel stars

Angel Anne Reviews

(now I must get hold of The Demon Bride!!!)

Autumn says

I got this book from the author herself to give back an honest review.

Wow, just wow is all I can say. The Sands of Time had me from the get go. After reading book one I wanted more and I am so glad I got it. I wish I could give this book more than 5 stars because to me it deserves it.

I truly enjoyed reading the first book in this series, but I do have to say The Sands of Time was just amazing, the plot, the characters, the sex scenes everything just came together and made this story just perfect. Now I can not wait to read book 3, because where this one left off I do wonder what is now going to happen between Gwain and Mary. And the suspense on why Mary is accused of those crimes.

Summary of The Sands of Time, Elisabeth has lost her memory, now you may ask who is Elisabeth I actually said the same thing myself, but she will be revealed later on in the book. She is plagued by nightmares, and in those nightmares she dreams of a panther and a snow leopard. The Panther wants to keep her safe and she feels the snow leopard wants to kill her.

Pablo who is a demon and blood-bonded with Amy has been searching for her since she disappeared, it is though Amy has vanished from the Earth no one is able to locate her. Pablo is going insane almost. So with the help of Elena, Karl, Gwain, Mary and a new character they are on the search to find Amy. In the Sands of Time you find a little bit more about Mary who is Elena's friend and works with her in her store. If you truly enjoy reading about witches, demons, angels, and the paranormal I highly suggest you give this novella a try I almost promise you will not be disappointed.

Heidi says

I received this book from the Author for an honest review.

Again this Author has surpassed my expectations of Novellas! As a sequel to The Witching Pen, The Sands of Time is an Otherworldly Fantasy Romance that continues the story of Elena and Karl but focuses on the building relationship between Amy and Pueblo, a Dessec Demon as well as a budding relationship between Mary and an unexpected Angelic man who knows her better than she ever thought possible. The characters really do come alive and the story pulls you in right from the start. I couldn't put it down!

Who could not love the characters when such raw passion and unbridled love is shared between a group of unlikely friends and new acquaintances while they search for Amy, lost somewhere in time. Mary, facing her own Demonic Dreams and a past filled with self mutilation, finds safety and security for a brief moment in the arms of none other than an Angel foreshadowing what is to come as he plunges into the depths of Hell to save her. I can not wait for the next book!

If you have never read a novella, this series is a definite place to start as it has just enough romance, witchcraft and Fantasy to satisfy even the most avid readers!

Carly says

Ahh, I really can't express how addictive these novellas are! I was hooked and reeled in from the first chapter and I never put the book down until I was finished. Dianna Hardy writes superbly and I really do think she she has taken the storyline and the characters to a whole other level in this second instalment. I think the trilogy is Hot with a capital H and it's only getting Hotter! What I enjoyed the most was getting to know the super sexy character that is Gwain a little bit better *swoon*! Dianna has set things up beautifully for explosive things to come in the final book 'The Demon Bride' and I cannot freak'in wait!

The Sands of Time picks up right where The Witching Pen left off. Amy is still missing and everyone is doing everything in their power to find her, with no luck. Elizabeth May has lost her memory after trying to commit suicide, her husband Paul, whom she has no memory of is looking after her at their home. She is haunted by dreams that show her things that she thinks might be important.

Elizabeth is determined to claim back her memories at any cost. Could the missing Amy and Elizabeth share something in common? Will Pueblo and the others uncover the powerful magic that hides Amy in time?

Well the ending is spectacular to say the least. For a novella there really is so much going on that there is lots of complex stories going on within the main story. I am in love with this brilliantly imagined world not to mention the truly intriguing characters that I am missing already. If only novellas were longer *sigh*, bring on The Demon Bride!

I won a copy of this book over @Bookaholics Book Club

4.5/5 Stars!

Carly :)

<http://fictionfascination.blogspot.co...>

Home. Love. Books. says

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I reviewed the first book in this series, and I really enjoyed it. It was one of the first few novellas I enjoyed reading. It was a fun and exciting ride the entire time, so I was looking forward to reading this follow up to book 1.

First and foremost I have to say that I really do enjoy the writing style in general of Dianna Hardy. She really has a way of making her books really easy to read, and to so quickly sweep you up into the stories and into the characters. It's so easy to really not only enjoy the story line but also really develop emotions for the characters as well.

Book two does a great job of brining out all the characters you love from book one and then expanding on them. More than that I felt like a lot of the world building happens in The Sands of Time, when you read book one you just kind of get your feet wet with the information about everything that inhabits this world. But when you open this book, you learn so much more about what it is angels, witches, and even demons mean within the confines of this world.

Hardy does a great job with the characters, and not just how they work together as couples but also how they work as individuals. I think one of the hardest things to do when you have a couple is when they are separated, which is the case with Amy and Pueblo. You have to find a way to keep the reader interested in the couple while still keeping the suspense of the separation. Hardy does a great job with this and Pueblo and Amy. Pueblo's frustration at not being able to find the woman he is literally bonded to with blood is so evident in her writing. You really pull for Pueblo to find his way back to Amy. I think you will really enjoy going on this journey with them.

I have really grown to enjoy novellas, and this one is another great novella out there. So if you are looking for a shorter read, but not sacrificing any of the character driven action then this is a series you should certainly try out. I think all paranormal romance readers would enjoy reading this!

Nancy (The Avid Reader) says

The following review is my opinion and not a paid review. I was given a copy of The Sands Of Time by the author Dianna Hardy for an honest review.

I read and reviewed the first book of The Witching Pen Novellas called The Witching Pen. It was an amazing read. When I wasn't reading I thought about it all the time. Always wanting to know what was happening. I couldn't wait to start the next book in the series called The Sands Of Time.

The Sands Of Time starts where The Witching Pen left off with Pueblo the demon blood-bonded with Amy. He is going crazy trying to find her. Pueblo can't even find her with their bond. He can't feel her. Pueblo knows that if he can't feel her she must be lost in a time loop.

Elizabeth can't remember who she is. Nothing seems familiar to her not even her husband. It just does not seem right to her. I mean if two people love each she should have some kind of memory or feel for him, right? but she doesn't. She has dreams of a black panther that she has a physical feeling for. She is very determined to find out who she really is.

The most mysterious character in the book was Mary. I couldn't quite figure out exactly who or what she is. When she is blamed for murder and put in jail Gwain is the only one that can help Mary with the nightmares that she has. Mary has a problem that no one knows about but Gwain is the only one who knows and can help her after she has one. Gwain becomes very attached to Mary. I hope in the third book of the series The Demon Bride due to be published August 31, 2012 that we find out more about Mary. August seems like a very long time to have to wait for The Demon Bride. I am just like a little kid with a new toy I want to read it now.

Thanks Dianna for letting me read The Witching Pen Novellas.

CaroleDee says

The second installment in the Witching Pen Trilogy was wonderful. It was passionate, entertaining and, truly, a joy to read.

Picking up a week after the last novella, Pueblo is searching tirelessly for Amy who disappeared after the big showdown at the end of the last book. He accidentally blood bonded with her and his inner beast is going crazy without her.

Amy wakes with no memory of who or where she is. She's told her name is Elizabeth but it just doesn't seem right. All she knows for sure is that there's something (or someone) missing from her life. It's only when she dreams that she feels truly whole, because he is there.

I really enjoyed this read. Dianna Hardy does a fantastic job creating a world where demons aren't all bad and the power of a bond can prevail against even the strongest magic. I usually try to stay away from novellas and short novels because I'm afraid there won't be enough time for character or world development but not in this little gem. Not only was I surprised to find an in-depth plot but wonderfully established characters. I cannot recommend this series enough. I'm highly looking forward to the next installment (The Demon Bride) to be released in the summer :)

Maureen Hoar says

Adult, paranormal romance and suspense at its best!!

All I can say is WOW! I was drawn to the Witching Pen Novella last fall and fell in love with the story. In

the Sands Of Time the saga continues with Elena, Karl, Mary, Gwain and Pueblo searching for Amy; who disappeared following Elena's portal opening. The alliance is a shaky one at best, consisting of angels (Gwain and Karl) and demons (Elena and Pueblo) depending on each other to save their friend and discover their fate. They need to trust in themselves and come to terms with their true selves before they can trust each other and band together.

I will not put any of the plot points in this review because I feel it is part of the journey of a book to figure it out first hand. But be prepared for dark plot twists and turns that will keep you guessing until the end.

Ms Hardy has weaved a very gut wrenching, graphic tale of love, trust and belief in one's self. Dark and light come together to battle evil and fate. This story is not for the faint of heart. Ms Hardy drops a bomb or two in the middle of this dark tale. It is a true gem! I cannot wait for the next book, The Demon Bride.

Bex 'n' Books says

I hoped it was possible, and indeed it was; The Sands of Time was just as amazing as The Witching Pen! Hurray! Book two is somewhat darker and sexier than book one, and it still managed to completely hold my attention.

The Sands of Time is a beautifully crafted novella, that once again reads like a book; it has the meat and depth of a full length novel. The characters are intriguing, and it was fascinating looking at the development of Elizabeth's character and her relationship with the endearing Pueblo. I know who would have thought after book one that would be how I described him!

It was equally an eye-opener to follow Mary's character. Geez, I was so taken aback - completely not what I expected - bravo Dianna! It's quite rare that a book effectively drops a major bombshell regarding one of its main characters that I wasn't at least a little bit privy to, yet Dianna managed to successfully blow me out of the water with this one! Just you wait guys!

A phenomenal follow up to The Witching Pen, and a series that is clearly delving into a much darker place. An awe inspiring 5 stars!

Lynn Worton says

Review 6*****

This is the second book in the Witching Pen Novellas, and I thoroughly loved this book!

Elizabeth May is an enigma. She cannot remember her life or why she would want to kill herself. Confused, she struggles to remember something from her life. She is a fantastically strong character, amnesia notwithstanding. She knows something is not right, but doesn't know what.

Pueblo is a shape-shifting demon, who is blood bonded to Amy, a witch. He is a typical Alpha male. He is strong, handsome and terrified that he won't find Amy. I love his character! If he can't be my boyfriend, I would certainly love him to be my big brother! Even though he is a half demon, not all demons are bad, and he is definitely one of the good guys.

This is a romance story that captured my imagination, and kept me glued to the pages with the mystery of Amy's disappearance, and Elizabeth's amnesia. However, there were other characters in this tale that have a little side story of their own in this book.

A word of warning. This book does have some sexually explicit and violent scenes that are not for those of a nervous disposition.

There is a twist in this tale that surprised me, because I never saw it coming! If you are looking for a fantastic paranormal romance, then I highly recommend this book and series. I am now looking forward to reading the next story! Dianna Hardy is fast becoming one of my favourite authors, and I will be keeping my eye out for more of her books in the future.

Mary says

“The Sands of Time” is the second book in the Witching Pen novella series. Again the author manages to write a novella with the depth of a full-length novel... and I guess that's not easy to accomplish.

In The Sands of Time we learn more about the true purpose of the Witching Pen... and a lot more about Amy and Pueblo, their backgrounds and their blood bonding.

I love the variety of beings/creatures and demons/angels in the Witching Pen universe. I had a lot of fun reading the second installment in this series. Amy and Pueblo make interesting and likeable characters and we also meet Elena, Karl, Mary and Gwain again...

It's necessary to read the novellas in order to fully understand everything that happens in this novella!

I'm looking forward to the next book in the series – “The Demon Bride” – which will be published August 31, 2012.

My rating: 4.5 stars

Amy says

www.the-book-diaries.blogspot.com

In book two, we pick up with everyone still trying to find Amy. Poor Pueblo, you're heart just goes out for him. In an effort to find answers to where Amy is, they travel to a demon world to find the Brujii demon, Queen Katarra. Elena finds out that there is always a price for help with demons. Since Amy's memory has been wiped she is desperately trying to remember not only who she is but why she keeps dreaming of a panther. She knows something is missing, but will have to rely on a stranger to give her answers. During a dream meeting with Pueblo, Amy discovers she's not just a witch, but a shapeshifter as well. When Amy is rescued by Pueblo, she finds out that there is a lot more to Etienne than she knew.

Mary, Mary, Mary... she is that character that you just can't figure her out but love her spunk. When Mary becomes the blame for several murders and is put in jail, Gwain is the only one that can help keep her from going crazy because of her dreams. With everyone focused on saving Amy, Mary is taken into another dimension and Gwain is the only one who can save her.

This book was better than the first for me. I just love the camaraderie between the characters and Dianna adds so much mystery and excitement in her book that just gets you hooked. I am very excited for the next one.

Merisha28 says

I received this book in exchange for a honest review ~WaAr~

ADULT CONTENT 18+

The Sands of Time by Dianna Hardy is the second book in the Witching Pen trilogy.

This book is filled with passion, romance, adventure, suspense, and all things paranormal. It does contain some BDSM. BEWARE AND BEWARNED. The writing is amazing and the story line just flows. I could not put this book down for the life of me. I loved it. I love the characters and finding out about the characters who where in the background in the first novel. This is a very intriguing read that will leave you thirsty for more. I know I am the way the author left the ending! All I can say is that the author has outdone herself her. The second book is even better than the first. I can't wait to read The Demon Bride to see if she surpasses herself again. This author is a author to look out for in the future!!! She has some TALENT! Can't wait to read her other books that are coming out!! I LOVED THIS BOOK!!!! Did I say that already????

The story leaves off when the group are back at the apartment and trying to figure out where Etienne took Amy. Pueblo is on edge. Gwain and Mary discover more about themselves (wink wink). lol. I really don't want to spoil the twists and turns in the book, because it is an amazing plot and story. ALL I CAN SAY IS WOW WAS NOT EXPECTING THAT!! I give this book a RAVING 5 STAR Review and if I could give more I would!!

Lady Raven RAVE! says

<http://www.romancenoveljunkies.com> for readers

BRIEF SUMMARY

Pueblo has bonded with a witch named Amy before she disappeared. He is trying to find her along with the others such as demons, witches and angels that he has befriended. Somewhere else, unknown, a woman called Elizabeth tries to commit suicide and is found by her husband. As time goes on, Elizabeth put the pieces of her life back together to reveal who she really is.

THOUGHTS (May contain spoilers)

This was a good continuation in The Witching Pen novella series. The Sands of Time was more in depth with the characters from the pervious book, as a lot of questions were answered. Elena and Karl from book 1 were involved in book 2 as well as Gwain and Mary. The author periodically gave us scenes with each character and couple as each of their plots develops as we learn more about angels, demons and witches. I would advise the reader to read book 1, The Witching Pen first to get a better feel of the characters.

The Sands of Time picks up from book 1 as Amy, Pueblo's bonded is missing and Pueblo tries desperately to save her. Pueblo is half dessec, half human and a shapeshifter and is working with Elena, Mary, Karl and Gwain to find her. Finding Amy won't be easy, as she is trapped in time. Both Pueblo and Amy's story was good and interesting the way the author shows them separately as well as their union. The only flaw I will say is that I wanted to see them together more within the story. However, make no mistake on how interesting the other story lines are that cohesively worked well as the story becomes darker. For me personally, I felt as though this book showed maturity with each character's charisma.

The other characters have my attention as Gwain and Mary's story is one I am looking forward to as the author began piecing their storyline together. My excitement grows with each book created within The Witching Pen series and I eagerly await book 3.

Storyline: GOOD

Intimacy: GOOD

Enjoyment: GOOD

Romance Novel Junkies
