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Falling From The Sky



Synopsis

All stability in sixteen-year-old Ridge McCoy's life crashed and burned in the plane crash that killed his dad. This summer-long basketball camp is his chance to improve his skills and escape his problems back home. But his summer plans take a turn in an unexpected direction when he meets Micah Youngblood, the guy who runs the carousel at the local mall and has a reputation for devouring straight boys' heterosexuality for breakfast, alongside his chocolate chip pancakes. Ridge needs a way to avoid the guys at camp, whose only quest for the summer is to drown in beer and hook up with girls. So when Micah offers to explain how the ten unique horses on the carousel are significant to his tribe, Ridge takes him up on it. Still, Ridge can't decide if this is a bad thing or not. All he knows is that he hasn't felt this alive since his dad fell from the sky, and as the horse adventures come to an end, Ridge finds himself falling as well — for Micah.

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Customer Reviews

I can't stress this enough, but I'm in love with this story. It is so touching and beautiful. This was my first Nikki Godwin novel and my first LGBT book, and now I can't get enough. The plot was so simple but all the delicate details gave it some sort of magic. Maybe it was the magic of true love, as cliché as that may sound. But it's true. This story absolutely captures the essence of falling in love; it strikes fear and loss in its core, and the joy of belonging to someone and finding peace. The carousel horses' idea was brilliant! It is the perfect way of getting to know someone and now I keep thinking I have to do something like this myself. It was incredibly original and creative and it kept me guessing what the next horse will bring as much as Ridge did. It is that sort of

story where you can't decipher what's happening next, but at the same time you don't feel lost nor confused. You will just want to keep on reading until the end, and even then, you'll want a bit more. Micah and Ridge's characters are so complex. They have both been through a lot, and you can certainly tell they are a bit broken and trying to cope with pain and loss, but it is astounding to see how they change when their burdens start to lift and they discover they are happy. Their relationship grew so subtle it was romantic and meaningful in a way that will stick with me. You could feel Ridge's struggle with accepting his current predicament, and it was cute to appreciate his shift to feeling comfortable with it. I adored Terrence, and I love how supporting he always was for Ridge. He was funny and an excellent example of a great friend.

This was a beautifully written story about moving on, finding who you are, and learning to live life to its fullest. I have loved everything this author has written and this book was no exception. It was such a beautiful and touching story. I loved the characters, but if I'm honest Ridge did get on my bad side a couple times. This made him come across as more real though. He wasn't perfect, but no one is. I think the author did a really great job of writing from the male perspective. I'm not a guy though so I can't really say with 100% certainty :P But it all felt very believable. And Micah I adored. He was such a sweetheart. The relationship between these two slowly built into something truly sweet and was another aspect that the author handled with realism and didn't try to fantasize. Ridge struggles with his feelings for Micah but you can see him slowly bringing down the walls he has built up. The story takes place over the course of a summer so there was no insta-love. I loved the carousel horses part of the story. It was a great way for the two boys to get to know each other and to build their friendship. The glimpses into Micah's life and his culture gave the story that bit extra depth too. It had me engaged, wanting to learn more about life on the reservation. Everything about this book was just brilliant. Nikki's writing is something that I truly adore. She describes everything in such detail and clarity that they just leap off the page. And I loved the little bit of a crossover with her sisters book that we got. If you are looking for a sweet, moving and flawlessly written book then you need to read *Falling From the Sky*. I cannot recommend it enough. This book is so much more than a love story.

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