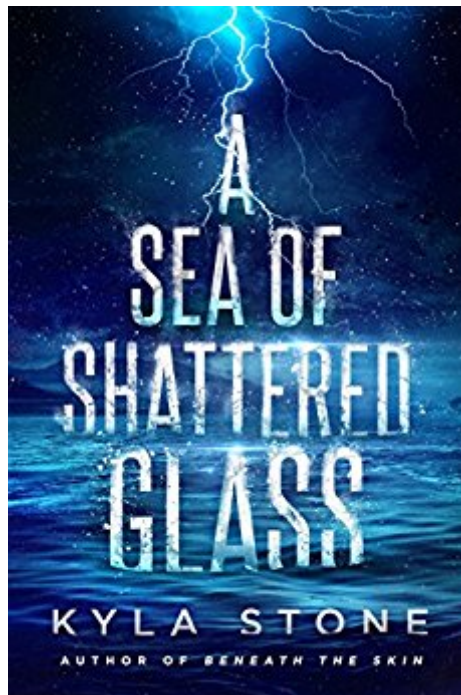




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A Sea Of Shattered Glass: An Apocalyptic Suspense Novel



Synopsis

Nowhere to run. No one to trust. And everything to lose. In the near future, the powerful elite set sail on the luxurious Grand Voyager. But the ship harbors dangerous secrets. Gabriel seeks justice--and vengeance--at any cost. Until he meets the daughter of his sworn enemy. Amelia longs for freedom. She appears to have it all, but privilege comes with a price. And the more time she spends with enigmatic Gabriel, the harder she falls. Chaos erupts when the Grand Voyager is hijacked, hurling the passengers into a nightmare of danger, treachery, and betrayal. But are the attackers terrorists or freedom fighters? Whose side is Gabriel really on? And can Amelia trust him long enough to stay alive? But an even greater threat looms, one that may shatter the world as they know it. What are they willing to sacrifice--for their lives, for freedom, for love? Perfect for fans of Marie Lu's *Legend* and Veronica Rossi's *Under a Never Sky*. *A Sea of Shattered Glass* is a heart-pounding thriller exploring the choices we make between freedom and safety, vengeance and mercy, survival and sacrifice--and the price we're willing to pay for love. "I was captivated. . . I could go on (and on) about this book. I guess what I'm saying is: read it!" -Holly Jennings, author of *Arena* and *Gauntlet* "If you read one YA novel this year, make it this one."-Shaun L. Griffiths, author of the *Changing Times* trilogy "If you're looking for a great suspenseful read with compelling characters and a page-turning plot, this is the book for you!"-reviewer "Heart-pounding page-turner!"-reviewer "An engaging story, realistic characters with depth, and plot twists to keep you guessing." -Goodreads reviewer "So much drama, intrigue, and adrenaline packed themes. All I can say is wow!" -reviewer

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Customer Reviews

This was an amazing story of political deception, personal deceit and disregard of human life all for monetary gain. This story takes place on a ship so extremely luxurious only the most wealthy can possibly afford. You can't imagine the intrigue and drama taking place. A very captivating book.

I received an ARC of this novel in exchange for my honest review. I really enjoyed this book--in fact--I was disappointed when the "action" started because I didn't want the story to end so soon! Plenty of suspense with interesting characters--a great read!

Kyla's novel is one of my favorite books of the year (so far). As a freelance editor, I'm especially critical of books, whether I'm working on them professionally or reading for fun. Instead of finding myself nitpicking over every other sentence as I usually do, I was captivated by Kyla's writing style and storytelling. The setting was so vividly painted I felt as if I was on the ship alongside the characters. Kyla utilizes the multiple viewpoints to their fullest extent: as soon as you become invested in one character's plight, it switches to another, just for you to fall in love with this new character, and it switches again. Every time it switched was bittersweet. I wanted more of the previous character but was delighted to see a returning cast member grace the spotlight again. It was refreshing to see a diverse cast of characters that blended seamlessly into the narrative. It takes a powerful author to paint the struggles of both the rich and poor and evoke sympathy for them all. Kyla's words are delicious. I'm talking, Cookie Monster going after an entire plate of macaroons kind of delicious. I devoured this book. I got to the end both satisfied yet wishing there was more. This is exactly how a book should be. When I turned off my Kindle, I knew I'd just experienced a fantastic story but was saddened to realize it was over. I could go on (and on) about this book. I guess what I'm saying is: read it. Whether you like YA or adult, prefer literary or genre fiction, this is one of those stories that nearly anyone can find a piece of themselves within.

This is the third book I have read by this author and I really like her style. Stone's characters are multi-faceted and the plot is exciting and fast-paced. A Sea of Shattered Glass follows a number of troubled young adults seeking to make sense of a dark and polarised world where the super rich dominate, and everyone else struggles to survive. Set against the backdrop of an opulent cruise, Amelia, Willow, Micah and his brother, Gabriel, are from both sides of the divide. Caught up in events beyond their control, the characters grapple with their own internal struggles as the cruise turns into a terrible nightmare. I would thoroughly recommend this book to both young adults and old. Looking forward to the second book to see how the tale unfolds.

This is one of the best YA novels I've read this year. It's so much more than characters running around in a dangerous situation. Not having read the blurb, it was the middle of the book before I had an idea of where the plot was going. But that first half is spent in character / world building that makes you believe this story and these people could be moving around, outside your door, tomorrow. There is very little Sci Fi involved and what there is, will probably be doable very soon. What I really loved about this book, were the themes addressed in the characters lives. Difficult, and dangerous themes that are woven into the plot in such an important way. Eg. There are the problems of a domineering father, self worth - and lack of it through, being used, family commitments, rebellion - on a family level, and within a world sphere (Is one man's freedom fighter is another man's terrorist?). Family bonds, belief in the good within others, class snobbery, standing up for oneself and fighting back (I feel I should mention there is a sexual attack in this novel which is absolutely harrowing, I found myself screaming for others to hurry up and get in there to help). This is an outstanding YA Fiction novel like I've not read before. I should also mention, this book is probably suitable for the older end of the YA age group. Some of the violence is frightening (for me), but absolutely necessary and never gratuitous. If you read one YA novel this year, make it this one. I received an ARC without obligation, this review is also given likewise.

This is a complex and fascinating story. Despite the sizeable list of viewpoint characters, you come to like, or at least identify, with all of them. Their motivations are understandable, and while you may not always agree with their choices, everything makes sense. Midway through the book I had already bitten my nails to the quick, and the tension continued to ratchet up as the story progressed. Buy this book. You won't regret it. Few authors handle both action and characterization this deftly. This is the second book I've read by this author, and I won't hesitate to pick up anything she writes.

Way better than I expected, a lot of action as well. I like YA but try not to expect too much because as an Old Adult YA characters can be really annoying. This book so exceeded my expectations and the characters were great. This is a really good book not just a good YA book.

Kayla...Every book that you have written draws me in and I can't stop reading until it's done! You did not disappoint with this story either! Your characters are deep and believable. A definite page-turner!!

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