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What does Valentine's Day mean to you? Sappy cards and silly chocolates? Squeezing in a stolen moment with your husband when the kids aren't looking? Finding or returning to that one true love? For Omnific Publishing's romance writers, Valentine's Day is everything from steamy nights with fantasy men to rekindling the flame of romance often lost in the hectic pace of day to day life.

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Heather Mckenna says

I only cared about Alice Clayton. Sweet story. Didn't read any others

Nicole says

I was pleasantly surprised by the quality of this anthology. I discovered a few writers I now want to read other works from. I was most surprised by the fact that the author I chose to read this for, Alice Clayton, didn't write my favorite story. I was actually a bit disappointed with her story compared to her other hilarious stories. Don't be fooled by the material, either. This is not a sappy, goo-goo eyed collection. Most of the protagonists don't believe in the manufactured holiday or even want to celebrate it. I felt a deep connection to this line of thinking, which may have increased my enjoyment of the reading.

Lynette (TheJadedReader) says

I only got this book because of the Alice Clayton story, and I should probably preface this review with the cold, hard truth: I don't like short stories.

That being said, I'll give them a try now and then, but it usually doesn't end well.

I will review story by story:

"With a Double Oven" by Alice Clayton: If anything, this story just confirms a few key elements that seem to always make their way into an AC story (a pet, a love for cooking/baking, snark). The story was just ok. 2.5 stars.

"Magnus of Pfelt" by Jennifer DeLucy: I read this and had one of those, "wait... what did I just read?" moments. 1 star.

"I Don't Do Valentine's Day" by Nicki Elson: For me, this was the shining star in this collection. I liked the writing, and the story was long enough for me to actually connect somewhat to the characters. 3 stars.

"Better than One Dead Rose and a Monkey Card" by Jessica McQuinn: While the writing was pretty good and the length was decent, I did not like this story. The husband is so much more concerned with his raging hard-on than actually picking up a finger to help his over-tired, pulled in every direction wife with two children AND a baby. Sure, he did some family things, but his constant attempts to shut and lock the door to have his way with his wife, despite what the kids were doing, left a bad impression on me. If I didn't actually have kids and know just how true all this sounds, I might (big MIGHT) have enjoyed it more. 1 star.

"Home to Jackson" by Victoria Michaels: I don't know if I really gave this story a chance, since I just wanted the book to be over at this point. All in all, it was ok. 2 stars.

"The Bridge" by Alison Oburia: A little different of a plot, this story was sad and hopeful at the same time. 2

stars.

Overall, my thoughts are just that I need to stop trying to read short story collections. I don't enjoy them and it's not fair to their authors.

Tracy's Place says

A couple of the stories were pretty good but others just ok.

I Don't Do Valentine's Day by Nicki Elson was cute

Better Than One Dead Rose and a Monkey Card by Jessica McQuinn was my favorite by a landslide.

The Bridge by Alison Oburia was very touching and sweet.

Missie says

My review for this book is inspired by one word: Dawwwwww!

Heart warming and cute little love stories. Not surprising, my favorite was about a Viking.

Natasha says

There are six short stories in this anthology and they were all good short reads but I really loved the story of 'Home To Jackson' it was definitely my favourite. I thought it was a beautiful story and then the last story 'The Bridge' was so sad. These stories were captured quite well for being short stories.

Diana Mounts says

Just read Alice it was ok.
