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Mason Cooke has it all: fame, wealth, and a wildly successful film career--until tales of his kinky exploits break wide. An anonymous source describes swinging parties, a secret BDSM club, and lurid kink activities, outing his friends and naming Mason as the ringleader of the raunchy cabal. Overnight, he's embroiled in a public relations nightmare, his ex-wife Jessamine's silence feeding the flames. To save his stock as a top Hollywood actor, he needs emergency image repair.

Enter Miri Durand, a former child actress once known for her shiny blonde curls and sitcom antics. She's all grown up now, acting a small but edgy role in his latest film. Mason squires her around town in an attempt to sanitize his image, only to discover there's more to Miri than her girl-next-door smile. Their relationship of convenience soon transforms into something deeper and more authentic. They hide away in his Malibu mansion, burning up the sheets and acting out their deepest fantasies. It's no longer about the PR--Mason and Miri realize they're falling in love.

But the Hollywood odds are stacked against them. Between career conflicts, family problems, a meddling ex-wife, and a media onslaught that just won't quit, the couple become confused about what's true in their fledgling relationship and what's just for show. For Mason and Miri, what began as a command performance becomes a poignant struggle to understand the real-life complexity of their love.

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From Reader Review Command Performance for online ebook

Lisa Aiello says

My favorite her of this series so far. I absolutely adored Mason. He is charming, funny, kind, self-deprecating, and a bit broken and lost. After his very messy and awkward breakup with his second wife, his image has taken a beating (no pun intended), and he finds himself in need of a little PR cleanup. Enter sweet, innocent, former child star Miri. They start out using each other, but before long, she is enmeshed in his crazy "star" and kink-filled lifestyle. They have to learn to navigate the life that they live and all the mess that it entails, and it is not without drama and painful lessons (again, pun intended).

WBS-S says

I really enjoyed this book. I enjoy Annabel Joseph's writing. I think she did a wonderful job in the story adding some twists and turns that kept me interested throughout the entire book. I recommend this to reader's of Erotica and BDSM.

Trina says

[I do not mind the Hero being a sadist because the heroine seems to enjoyed receiving pain as much as the H in inflicting it.

I do however mind the fact that every female character (best friends' wives and sister) has sex with the H. I understand that swapping/swinging is a lifestyle for them. I just do not enjoy the casualness of offering each ot

Nina ~ Social Butterfly PR says

4.75 stars

What an incredible end to the Comfort Series! I think Mason and Miri ended up being my fav of the crazy bunch....

As always, Annable Joseph made me laugh, cry and get really hot! She can write a BDSM love story like no one else can!

Rochelle says

In general I like Annabel Joseph's books. She does a nice job of combining romance with D/s and BDSM. This book suffered from the anticipation and expectations I allowed to build up. Joseph has a kink range from mild/medium to heavy. I prefer the books on the heavier end of kink, and after seeing Mason in Odalisque, I was expecting a heavier level of kink. This book was more on the Caressa's Knees level. It's a good book, and I enjoyed the story. I only got frustrated with the main female character a couple of times.

Here is my main peeve with Joseph as a writer, she consistently uses "me and him" instead of the proper "him/he and me/I." It drives me nuts when authors consistently use bad grammar. When using personal pronouns as a compound subject or object you always put yourself second. Several authors do this and it makes their characters sound stupid or uneducated. It is particularly jarring when characters who are supposed to be highly educated and use their words to make a living use bad grammar. I really hope that at some point Ms. Joseph gets a new editor, or invests in Strunk and White. It is easier for me to dismiss bad grammar from a weak author, but Annabel Joseph is a very good writer.

CC says

Woohoo! I won this book!!!

*** Shh... Holiday GIFT Giveaway 2016! ***

<https://www.goodreads.com/topic/show/...>

Elle says

2 STARS!

Command Performance isn't memorable for me. I ended up bored and skipped it a lot. This is the final and fourth book from the Comfort series with Mason Cooke as the main character. We know about Mason from Comfort Object and Odalisque also his personal problem.

Since the divorce with Jessamine, Mason's life as an actor still shines. But not his personal life. With the emptiness inside him for two years, he always swings by one woman to another. When the scandal surfaced that stated Mason is a nasty pervert man, his PR team tried to recover his image. The solution came with Miri Durand, a child-actress-turned-adult who climbed her career back. For Mason, Miri is an innocent and American sweetheart kind of type. He feels bad for using Miri but the truth is, she is also using Mason too for her career. Miri isn't as innocent as he thought. She wants everything from Mason including his kinky lifestyle.

She had a feeling interacting with Mason could become extremely messy. Scary. Thrilling. Existing.

I'm trying so hard to like the story but it didn't work and hardly enjoyable for me. I guess Mason and Miri's performer life is hard to believe. They don't have any privacy; the perks being celeb. Mason and Miri enjoyed each other's company very much but I didn't feel connected with them. Insta lust turned into insta love. Everything happened 'too forced' because they have a problem with Mason's image and Miri's career and life.

*"You're playing with me now, but the time will come when I'll be the one playing with you."
He lowered his voice to a whisper. "I wonder if you'll enjoy the things I do to you."*

Their sex was too much and the BDSM relationship felt really off. It looks like only kinky sex for me. Their life is so full of shit and drama from the engagement, love declaration, also the ex-wife. The other issues are lack of communication, they poisoned each other without truth and honesty and never listen to each other until... BOOM! The bomb had dropped. (view spoiler)

She couldn't imagine a life without Mason, without his warmth and his smile, and his silly jokes... His perverse kinks and pleasures in bed. He was the perfect man, so why weren't things working out?

For the final book, Command Performance is still good for me but not enough. I nearly hated it and DNF. Oh, there is a little swinger party on Mason's birthday with Jeremy-Nell and Kai-Constance. They seem enjoy with their pervert life *cough* but not with Miri. She bravely enough to voiced her discomfort. The ending is too cliché and rushed. More likely a fairy tale. **Overall, I liked Comfort series with the connecting character and some cameos. Annabel Joseph has wonderful talent for raw story with kink. She always make two different person who met and meant for each other in thick and thin. It's really amazing experience to feel a roller coaster of emotions and intense feeling.**

Libre says

Started strong went downhill toward the end. The conflict wasn't written well and i couldn't understand the mcs' actions.

Jacqueline's Reads says

<http://jacquelinesreads.blogspot.com/...>

3.5 Stars

I was team Mason in Book 3 of *Comfort Series*, don't get me wrong, I liked Kai, but I always found Mason's character fascinating. I was very happy to have book 4, *Command Performance* to be Mason's story. The book started out great and it basically picks off where Mason's story left off in book 3, with a lapse of 1 year. Mason is depressed, single and he wants someone in his life, however towards the middle-end, I start to get frustrated. I love tension in books, but only if the reason is justified and in my opinion, I didn't think it was.

So, Mason's career is shaky, his image is tainted as this crazy **pervert**, so he dates, sweet Miri to sweeten his imagine. Miri is **sweet**, but she is intrigued with being **bad** as well. This is the part where I am all for, I also like the fact when Mason and Miri relationship starts off, the two of them are pretty much honest with each other. Mason teaches Miri on what kind of kinks he's into and Miri is **more than willing** to try anything at least once.

Towards the middle-end, you need tension right? I get that every relationship needs some ups and downs, but I really didn't understand the reasoning. I felt like Annabel Joseph could have come up with a better reason. Mason's and Miri's relationship is no fairy tale, *Command Performance* reminds me a lot like book 1, Mason is a true sadistic and at times it was hard for me to push through those parts. I think having 4 books in the series is just enough.

Overall the *Comfort Series* does not portray the perfect relationships, each character has his/her faults. Each book is different, some are mild and some are a bit hard to read, but everything is pretty much balanced and well-rounded.

I recommend book 4, *Command Performance* and the other 3 books in the series. Don't just stop at one,

since each book is so different, the second might be more within your taste range.

Biate says

This book was a great conclusion to the series. I really liked Mason. What made him endearing in my eyes is the fact that he never pressure Miri to do something she didn't want to. Im so glad he finally found his HEA.

Rebecca says

What is going on with my book choices?!?!?! I need one than will emotionally destroy me now I think.....

Anyway....Command Performance

I smiled throughout this while book.....I don't know whether I was laughing with it or at it to be honest. It's not a serious book, not even slightly.

I still enjoyed myself though!!!

Did it move too quickly? YESSS!!! FAR TOO QUICKLY!!

Did it make sense? NOT REALLY!!!

Was it realistic? HELL NO!!!

Was it a little...you know...stupid? YEP!!!

Did you care? NOPE NOT AT ALL!!!

I really didn't! But it really was so so silly! Miri and Mason are celebrities. Mason is a naughty sexual deviant and Miri is *gasp* a virgin.

But a special breed of virgin.....not only has she never kissed anybody, once she finally does she becomes THE SHIT at all things sexual, loves BDSM, group sex and everything. Awesome. It's so original I nearly couldn't cope.

There isn't much to say.....it was a silly little fluff book and despite my better judgment I didn't hate it!I still enjoyed it kinda. I have no idea why....My brain is telling me I'm wrong.
I think I just accepted it's flaws and had fun

I really enjoyed some of the other books in the Comfort Series and most other Annabel Joseph stuff so maybe that's what made it okay.

So anyway.....If you want an easy reading giggle worthy little book and are not a book snob, then read this

one!

Michael Dunellen says

This is the fourth and final book in the Comfort Object series. It is a series mainly because all of the characters are inter-connected. Other than that, they are four very different books.

Mason first appeared in the very first book but was not a particularly interesting character - his wife stole the spotlight. Then he was very important to the third book because we watched his marriage fall apart.

This was actually kind of a conventional romance - or at least as conventional as Annabel is going to write. Boy meets girl, or Hollywood Leading Man meets young Former Child Star. Watching Miri go from the sweet never-been-kissed innocent to Mason's lover and submissive was an interesting experience. And I just loved her safeword "Lollipops." If you are wondering if she ever actually used it, you will have to see for yourself.

My only complaint - It has been a while but in the first book didn't everything start to come apart after the foursome in Spain? And things definitely went sideways in the third book after the New Years' party. Mason would have been smart to take Miri and leave the Birthday Party early, but then some people never learn.

This combines BDSM and Romance and has lots and lots of both.

Oh, and... (view spoiler)

E. Mellyberry says

Once in a while, I close my eyes, roll the dice (=amazon/kobo/smashwords lazy browsing), and pick a number (=impulse buying on random book without reading the synopsis) and proceed to the checkout.

This week's choice fell to this.

Not too bad for an easy breezy read. The heroine is a little bit annoying though, but thankfully Mason saves the day. His POV is hilarious, this Hollywood manchild :)

His circle of friends are funny too. The BDSM theme is rather light, more like a background and not the main theme.

Cho Mi says

Rated the book 3 stars out of 5. Was actually going to rate it 2 stars out of 5 but I liked the end so it saved it for me. I couldn't wait for Mason's story to come out but I was not expecting this. I thought his story would be the hottest and the most risqué because of the previous stories but that was not the case unfortunately. I did think Miri being a virgin and Mason being her "teacher" of sorts was hot. There were a lot a lot a lot of super hot scenes ???.... just not what I expected from Mason's story. I did love the way the book started... very creative. #annabeljoseph #actornactresslove #childhoodstar #hollywoodheartthrob #bdsmstory #virgingirl #romancebookreaders #romancebook #romancenovels #romancebooklovers #romancebookclub

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Aly is so frigging bored says

1st read: 7-8 May 2014

OMG I can't believe I've read the books in this series so fast! I think it's official: Annabel Joseph is in my top 3 favourite BDSM/erotic romance writers list. I love how she creates her characters, I really do.

2nd read: 31st may 2015

Buddy read with Maru
