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In order to achieve fame and success an off-beat film reviewer named Charlie Zimmerman chooses to become a sensational, verbally incontinent film critic known as the "Angry Movie Guy." Charlie's must re-examine his personal life and career when his biting review and explosive T.V. fits threaten to destroy the career of Alexa, a fiery independent filmmaker whom Charlie has fallen in love with. This event serves as a catalyst for his Grinch-like personal redemption. More in touch with his feelings, Charlie relentlessly pursues Alexa like a love-struck fool while Harry, the lewd producer of his show unrelentingly plots against the budding romance using the "bad publicity" model as his tool to keep them apart. Charlie won't give up without a fight! "Angry Movie Guy," flawlessly blends witty dialogue, inadequacy, self-hatred, and a comfortable familiarity with the types of personalities that readers will connect with.

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Sharon Kallenberger Marzola says

4.5 Stars

I liked this story. It is unique, well written and fun to read.

ARC received for an honest review. Full review posted on <http://badassbloggettes.blogspot.com/...>

Monsterella Reviews says

This is an interesting take on a love story, let's call it critically ironic romance. Angry Movie Guy is, as you may have guessed, about a movie critic. And like many critics today, Charlie "The Snake" Evans (Zimmerman) is rather rude and flippant, often not having any concern about how his review will come across to or affect those he criticizes. That is until he unwittingly annihilates and demeans the woman, Alex (Alexis) Rasner, he is falling in love with.

Charlie has dreamed of being a well-known movie critic since he was young. After attending college to obtain his degree and pounding the pavement non-stop in search of someone to take him on. He was ready to give up until the day he caught a break, an angry review was printed in the paper. An acquaintance of his father's saw it, and took the bull by the horns - or the snake by the tail - and created the Angry Movie Guy. Charlie Zimmerman became known as the Charlie "The Snake" Evans and the Angry Movie Guy who went from a media stunt to get people to watch the news to a man with a show of his own. Quickly rising to fame, much like his mother Evelyn Zimmerman did in pictures many years before.

Charlie's mother had passed on suddenly when he was a young boy and his father took it very hard. Barely able to take care of himself, his father Ray, sent Charlie to live with Aunt Hilda. Hilda was eccentric and Charlie didn't have the happiest of childhoods which left him with a very sour taste for life and helped in creating the Angry Movie Guy persona. Charlie loved his mother and missed her dearly only wanting to make her proud, though he found himself in a place in life that she would not be very proud of. He didn't know how to change it or where to go.

That is until he met the woman of his dreams at the showing of his favorite movie. He was awestruck to the point that he didn't get her name or number, let alone have the chance to her his. He was beginning to believe she was a hallucination and didn't really exist. That is until he ran into her again at the premier of an indie film he was critiquing. This time he was able to give her his business card before completely flaking out and running off, again.

Charlie's viewing of this indie film had not gone as expected. He did not have a reserved seat and was forced to sit between two larger woman that didn't leave him room to breathe. Then the muscle head behind him threatened to pound in his head if he didn't shrink down in the seat. And to top it off his favorite jacket got stuck and ripped before having soda spilled down the front of him. It seemed that maybe the poor guy was getting back a taste of his own medicine, especially since it was after this experience he ran into the woman of his dreams and didn't stick around long enough for proper introductions. If he had maybe he wouldn't have been as rough as he was the next day giving his review of the indie film.

It just so happened that the film he shredded to pieces was written by Alex Rasner, better known as Lexi, the woman of Charlie's dreams. In his rant of slander Charlie referred to the "man" who wrote the movie by a multitude of horrible names, his ranting and raving continued the entire show and he never let up. Getting all his aggression out on the film that he actually felt for the situation he was in, never did he think he was shoving his foot and the rest of his body past his mouth and down his throat.

Now Charlie had to find a way to win back the woman he loved, but had no idea where to start. Would he be able to overcome the persona? Would she allow him the opportunity to explain himself? Or was he doomed to simply be the Angry Movie Guy, forever?

The way the author wrote the story was a twist on the comedic romances that are so prevalent today. The use of Charlie's ethereal self and his dreams to help fill in the background was a touch of genius. I give this film two thumbs up and two middle fingers...what do I mean by that? Well read the story and you will find out.

Badass Bloggettes says

4.5 Stars

I like this book. It is a different and entertaining and worth reading.

The main character, Charlie Evans (Zimmerman) made me laugh. He is so far out there and typical of many movie critics I've read--mean.

Charlie is a damaged soul who completely changes his personality to be successful. His mother, an actress, died when he was a boy. Charlie's devastated father turns him over to his crazy Aunt Hilda. This whole situation causes Charlie emotional trauma and abandonment issues.

Charlie never resolves his father's abandonment. At first he understands that his father is hurting too but eventually dad moves on and has many flings. For Charlie this is a slap at his mother.

Needless to say Charlie spends years in therapy. Dr. Bloom is a hoot and unconventional but he wants to help Charlie move forward.

"I'll tell you why Charlie. It's simple... you like to suffer! You are here because you haven't learned how to let go.

After many unsuccessful attempts to get hired as a movie critic, Charlie writes a scathing review that is surprisingly published. The review and a connection to Charlie's dad brings Harry Puebei into his life. Harry convinces Charlie that he needs to put away the "nice guy" and come up with a gimmick if he wants to be a successful movie critic.

"Listen, the point is you have to stand out. You need a public persona." I looked worried. "A persona?" Harry huffed, "Yes, Charlie! No one wants to hear some dumb chump's opinion. I hear a bad review and I go out and see the damn picture anyway, just to see for myself."

With that the Angry Movie guy is born and leads to monetary success but an unhappy life continues. Unfortunately Harry convinces Charlie to see an indie film that Charlie pans. Unbeknownst to Charlie the movie turns out to be the life work of a woman he is crazy about and he wants a date. Alex hates him after that and he spends all his time trying to come up with gifts and stunts to make her see the real Charlie.

I like the characters. I like how Charlie's character is revealed. He is more than the man on TV so full of anger and hate but underneath that angry exterior is a kind man.

For the most part the book is told from Charlie's point of view. The story flows smoothly and is an easy read. What I didn't like or understand completely is the "astral Charlie". It is an interesting technique to switch to the other characters' point of view. In that sense it works well. However, often I couldn't figure out what the deal is with astral and I want him to get lost.

You will enjoy the story. Astral is only a slight annoyance to me and I think many readers will like him. It isn't the typical cookie cutter romance. The Angry Movie Guy has a nice array of characters and holds the readers interest. I recommend it.

ARC received for an honest review

Bookerina Lovington says

So I didn't know what to expect from this book, but it turned out to be awesome!!! Really entertaining.

Kimberly Klein says

Angry Movie Guy

I so loved this book. It is light, funny and romantic. The ups and downs of poor Charlie made me laugh, but man does he have heart. In search of his dream girl, and facing the world as his evil reputation forces him to. The cast of characters are outstanding and strongly developed. They made it a joy to read. The attention to details is incredible and made me become part of the story. The scenes are great and so captivating. It is very well written and it had me captured from the first page and I hated to see it end. It is one of the best I have read and I really love the style of the author, Izzy Church. What a talented and brilliant writer with an unstoppable imagination and sense of humor. I want more! I recommend this book with highest regards. You will not be disappointed, and be ready to laugh, it is a delightful read. It really would make an awesome movie Lol!

Rosemary Goddard says

I really loved reading this book! The character Charlie and his astral self are a lot of fun to be around. The angry movie critic persona has taken over Charlie's life and even though it's gotten him a great job with lots of money it has done nothing to help his underlying emotional problems. Not to mention that it has gotten in the way of him possibly finding love with the beautiful movie director Alex. Charlie trashes her movie just like every other movie he's ever reviewed and the results of this review are very hurtful. The author Izzy Church did a fantastic job in creating Charlie and all his eccentricities.

Cindy says

This book is definitely different, but different in a very good way. I really enjoy reading romance novels though none are as witty as this one. I think the main character's (Charlie) narrative voice really added a lot to the story. It was light, witty, comedic--but still had elements of romance. Charlie's character is unconventional and flawed, but I think the author still did an excellent job with that as I still cared about him as a character, and he was interesting. For me, Charlie didn't blend in to the many, many main characters that I've read about in the past, and I think that's what made this book so successful for me. Great read overall.

Kevon says

I Enjoy reading this book it was a funny and interesting story.....

Katie says

see full review @ Katie's Corner

I really liked it, though in the very beginning I had some minor problems with it. But those were best 2-3 days in my life. Why did I spend so much time reading this particular book? The answer is pretty easy, I've been reading first 2 chapters for 2 days only because I was distracted every time by either my parents or my neighbours. So trust me when I got 2 or so hours for myself the remaining 11 chapters went in the blur. So my first advice when you start this book make sure no one disturbs you, otherwise you'll be losing the thread and it will be damn confusing.

But let me explain why I enjoyed this book and had a smug smile while reading it, crept my granny out all the time. The character that stands out the most, no, which should stand out the most, is Charlie and Astral Charlie. I actually loved Astral Charlie the most. Charlie is a great character. You can't call him a positive here; neither can you label him as a negative. He's both and that's what makes him great to read about. His reviews are just fantastic. I mean it cracked me up so much that I couldn't contain my laughter. But everything changes when he meets his Dream Girl. But imagine this, our Charlie didn't even ask her name, and until he meets her again he thinks that it was a hallucination. And trust me, he could really hallucinate her, there's a lot on his plate right now. Are you ready to know what it means to be Charlie "The Snake" Evans? Are you ready to stand by and watch how he is going to give movies the worst reviews ever? And finally are you ready to find out if the Dream Girl is real or just a dream? If yes, what are you waiting for? Here's your chance to grab your copy and have the best 2 hours of your life.

Or you can keep reading for a bit more, your choice. Besides Charlie and Astral Charlie I had some other favourite and least favourite characters. Let me start with ones that infuriated me. Meet Charlie's father – Ray. He's an a..., okay I shouldn't really swear so I'll say that he's the greatest jerk ever. I mean first the guy leaves his son, and then he appears in front of him dating a girl who is younger than his son. I do not have any problems with age differences, but this guy made me sick. Meet Samantha or Sam, Charlie's assistant. The girl pissed me off so much I didn't know what to do. For heaven's sake you're an assistant; act like one, don't be a b with an itch all the time! And oh Alex! She's just amazing. I won't say who she is as you have to unravel her identity slowly, but how could her slap put Charlie to his knees? Too unrealistic, or Charlie is just too pathetic.

And lastly, the ending. Truthfully I expected more, but it was quite satisfying. Charlie did deserve something good in his life. I hope you'll enjoy this book as much as I did. Are you ready to dive in a chaotic life of Charlie Zimmerman or should I say Angry Movie Guy? If yes, than get lots of popcorn, this ride is full of humour and interesting characters. Enjoy it to its fullest and don't forget to share your thoughts below! Stay tuned for more reviews as well promos. Don't miss your next favourite book or manga! Happy reading!

XOXO

Katie

P.S. I still believe Astral Charlie should have had more power! You'll know what I mean when you read the book. Happy reading!

Anna says

Charlie has found the key to his movie critic success is to be relentlessly angry and cynical about the movies he reviews. He has found fame and notoriety, but he definitely has some pretty serious emotional problems and with the way he acts it is no surprise that he struggles to make real connections with other people. He finds himself interested in a woman and before he realizes it, he tears her movie apart.

This is an unconventional story, and Charlie's character was a tough one for me to care about. He is super prickly and is completely unpleasant both on-screen and off. There are a few moments where you realize he is trying to be sincere (or at least human), but for the first half of the book, it is tough to take him seriously or even care whether he succeeds in any regard. There are times when you feel sorry for him just because of how delusional his behavior is, and how little insight he seems to have. It is definitely comic at times how out of touch Charlie seems to be with reality.

It is pretty obvious that Charlie is a character who needs to reevaluate his life and go in a different direction, and he is finally presented with a situation that might actually motivate him to think about his actions and how they effect others. There are some unique elements here, as Charlie has an "astral self" who flies around and observes others who are reacting to Charlie's behavior. At times, it is unclear what is real and what isn't. Between Charlie's dreams, and experiencing situations through the views of "astral Charlie", it isn't always clear what exactly is going on. I also would have liked some more development of some of the peripheral characters. Overall, I think readers who are looking for an unconventional story with a main character who is far from perfect, but working to change his ways will enjoy this.

*An ARC was provided in exchange for an honest review

Tarah Yeager says

Angry Movie Guy is a fantastic novel! I was already hooked after reading the introduction! I feel like anyone can relate to the narrator, Charlie, because he's looking for true love, the kind of love that seems to only exist in the movies. His favorite movie is a romcom, and he meets a woman who shares this view. The two of them resemble the main characters of their favorite movie. Since he met her it's like he's going mad! Charlie has emotional abandonment issues and decides to alter his personality in after meeting the woman. He begins writing scathing movie reviews to create a public persona to gain success. These scathing reviews lead to many adventures... I won't spoil it! Izzy Church is a great author and I love this book!!

Jen Cothran says

Instead of "two thumbs down, and two middle fingers up" I give Angry Movie Guy a fantastic five star review....Angry Movie Guy is one of those books that bring you along and let you experience that 'ah-ha' moment when you realize your more than what people believe you to be. Although with the title like 'Angry Movie Guy' it's a lot more difficult to come across as a nice guy. And our Guy definitely hasn't been nice. He is quick to temper, doesn't care what people think of him, and over all is really just an a\$\$! LOL BUT...this book is so much more than just delving into the world of a movie reviewer that has every director wanting their movie loved. It's more than just his horrible/angry reviews. It's also a story of longing and love, with a LOT of speed bumps built along the way.

You ever have a moment where you think you met "THE ONE" and then give up hope because it was that once in a lifetime moment that happened too fast?? Well, what if you're given a second chance, and maybe cosmic fate and the gods of bad karma/luck think you may even need third...fourth...fifth...sixth...?seventh..... ok you get the idea....lets say for safety's sake, our Guy will need as much help as he can get, and it may still not be enough to right the review he gave...unknowingly until too late....to the woman of his dreams. #EPICFAIL

But along comes the funny....as you bear witness to his attempts to correct what should have never happened in the first place, because he missed the whole movie and still made a review of it. From his assistant to his agent and everyone in between, you can't help but giggle when they are dealing with our Guy....so....don't judge this book by reviews or it's cover either, because Angry Movie Guy is a hilarious feel good love story that should not be missed.

Marten Kayle says

I enjoyed the witty and playful comedic elements in Angry Movie Guy. It was a LOL read. I would recommend it to anyone who loves movies, comedy, as well as romance.

It is a heart felt book about an un-likeable man coming to terms with his life and redeeming himself along the way. Charlie desires more from his every day life. He reflects on his past and how it has shaped his life. His relationships with his family and work are also questioned and re-evaluated. With the help of a few unlikely characters Charlie begins his journey to becoming a better man. I found Charlie's journey to be very relatable. I look forward to seeing this on the big screen, as well as other books by Izzy Church.

I would definitely recommend adding Angry Movie Guy to your book library.

Melissa Mendoza says

Received a copy in exchange for an honest review.

“The entire crew looked worried as I walked off the set sulking. I was headed to my dressing room until I spotted Samantha sitting on an apple box. I snuck up behind her like a giddy schoolboy and began to peer over her shoulder.”

4 surprising stars. I wasn't expecting much from this book, I won't lie, but I was pleasantly surprised with how great and funny this book was!! Great read!!!

ANGRY MOVIE GUY is a romantic comedy about a struggling film critic who decides to take on a bad attitude to achieve fame and success as the Angry Movie Guy. When his review destroys the career of a woman he's fallen in love with he must re-think his life.

Can he mend his hateful ways and win her heart?

I really loved this book. The story was well developed and the characters were a lot of fun to read about. I also loved the dropping of actual celebrities names and their “appearances”. Great great book. I was not disappointed at all.

Received a copy in exchange for an honest review. Read and reviewed by Melissa for Alpha Book Club

Hooked On Books says

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Angry Movie Guy is a must for all romantic comedy readers. I am giving this book 5 Stars because I absolutely loved it. This book is so funny you will laugh out loud. It is a light easy read and very entertaining being a big fan of romantic comedies I love the fact that this story is about a guy trying to win a girl over and written from Charlies point of view (Angry Movie Guy). Which makes it original as us women would love to get inside a man's head. The characters are well written and likable. This story would make a brilliant movie. I look foward to reading more books by Izzy Church and i highly recomend reading this book. The characters are well written and likable. This story would make a brilliant movie. Especially with the movie stars that are named in it. I look foward to reading more books by Izzy Church and i highly recommend reading this book
