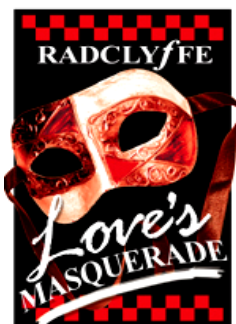


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Haydon Palmer and Auden Frost, two attractive, self-assured, professional women, meet by chance and their lives become entwined through ominous secrets, hidden desires, and life-altering self-discoveries...Haydon interviews Auden for a new position, head of the newly acquired lesbian fiction publishing division. Although both women recognize immediately that some kind of shared reaction has transpired, business comes first...

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...Radclyffe has written another lesbian romance novel which further propels her toward the pinnacle of this popular literary genre. Her informal, forthright and flowing writing style, rich with characterizations and realistic dialogue set within a contemporary time frame, makes this a most rewarding reading experience...

...Love's Masquerade is a novel bound to enthrall those readers who are already fans of Radclyffe...for those unfamiliar with her writing...this is an excellent starting point...The quality of diction, plot structure, realistic and convincing dialogue, overall tone and intrinsic theme all coalesce to produce a story that the reader will wish had not end and will long remember.

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