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# Once Broken Faith: October Daye, Book 10



## Synopsis

New York Times best-selling October Daye series Hugo Award-winning author Seanan McGuire "Top of my urban-paranormal series list!" (Felicia Day) Includes a brand-new map and original bonus novella! Politics have never been October "Toby" Daye's strong suit. When she traveled to the Kingdom of Silences to prevent them from going to war with her home, the Kingdom of the Mists, she wasn't expecting to return with a cure for elf-shot and a whole new set of political headaches. Now the events she unwittingly set in motion could change the balance of modern Faerie forever, and she has been ordered to appear before a historic convocation of monarchs, hosted by Queen Windermere in the Mists and overseen by the High King and Queen themselves. Naturally, things have barely gotten underway when the first dead body shows up. As the only changeling in attendance, Toby is already the target of suspicion and hostility. Now she needs to find a killer before they can strike again - and with the doors locked to keep the guilty from escaping, no one is safe. As danger draws ever closer to her allies and the people she loves best, Toby will have to race against time to prevent the total political destabilization of the West Coast and to get the convocation back on track...and if she fails, the cure for elf-shot may be buried forever, along with the victims she was too slow to save. Because there are worse fates than sleeping for 100 years.

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## Customer Reviews

Seanan McGuire's October Daye series is showing no signs of slowing down. This installment gave

me all the things I love about these books. It's engaging, with plenty of action and great pacing. The world-building is interesting, consistent, and relevant to the story. And most importantly, McGuire gives me characters I care about. She draws them with depth and history. She makes me feel like I know them. I'm invested in their losses and wins, their friendships and enemies, and every step they take on their path to an HEA. Once again here, Toby is dragged into the politics of the Fae. This time, the nobility is gathering to decide whether to allow the use of that elf-shot cure Walter devised in the last book. Toby was such a vital part of how the cure came about, the Queen of the Mists insists on her testimony. Of course, nothing is as simple for Toby as that. One of the nobles is killed and Toby is the one tasked with finding his killer, while her loved ones move into the line of fire. One of the best things about these books is watching how Toby's various relationships have evolved. Not just with Tybalt, though I am a huge fan of that romance, but with all of these other major players in her world. I love seeing her with the Luidaeg. That woman is such a power; she is head and shoulders above all these pretentious pureblooded Fae who think Toby beneath them. Yet the bond between Toby and the sea witch has become one of the touchstones of these books. At the same time, we see the connections Toby has forged with Arden, Diandra, and others. We see how her relationships with them --with Quentin-- with Sylvester --all of these key characters-- have completely changed her life. Toby is a hero. She lives her life, committed to living up to that. But we can never forget she is a changeling. That she is considered less than those she protects... even though we know she is so much more. It's so interesting to see the dichotomy between her value and her perceived lack of worth by the so called nobility. This, as maybe some of those folks are beginning to get an inkling that there's more to Toby than they first gave her credit for. I really enjoyed this one. I can't wait to find out where McGuire will take us next. Rating: B+

October Daye is one of my favorite series to read, and I'm always afraid when a new book comes out that something will happen and the series will start to go downhill. It seems that after so many books, a series starts to go stale, the author loses interest, or the author runs out of plot. I am happy to report that none of these problems are present in the latest installment of this series. We find Toby: getting into trouble like always, discovering new ways Tybalt can be an annoyance, and helping other out of trouble. The romance between Tybalt and Toby is truly a sight to behold, and they are one of my favorite couples. The realistic way Ms. McGuire portrays their relationship is wonderful: not everything is sunshine and roses because there are always obstacles to overcome in any relationship, which they discover in this book. There isn't a lot of plot development, but there is character development. The reader finds out a lot of interesting things about many

characters in this book, especially in the novella at the end, which is also terrific. If you are a long-time fan of this series, you will love this book as much as the other ones in the series. If you are new to the series, what are you waiting for? Start at the first and work your way to this one. Wonderful edition to the series! Thanks to NetGalley and Berkley Publishing Group for the free e-book in exchange for an honest review. This same review will be posted on both Goodreads and .

I have the best birthdays. I share the day with family and friends, and at midnight, I receive the gift I've been waiting for. Coffee, cake, and a new October Daye book to welcome in the next year of my life. As always, the world and its inhabitants are complex. It's nice to have a series where the supporting cast have their own views and agendas, and this one is pointing to a whopping agenda for the sea-witch that will have major repercussions for Tobey and her companions. It starts off a little slower, but builds in intensity; I got the feeling that this book is the culmination of the set up that has been in the works for a long time. Something big is coming, and the gang needs to be ready to face it. One peeve. Having it pointed out over and over that magic and faerie are weird was annoying. I loved the short novella attached. Cassandra is a great addition, and added a nice level of levity to the tenseness that has surrounded Arden. Once again, it points to something big on the horizon, and the sea-witch is preparing her army for the battle to come. And now to wait a year to find out what it is. Sigh. Thank you, Seanan McGuire. Not only for the October books, but for all your work. They are precious.

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