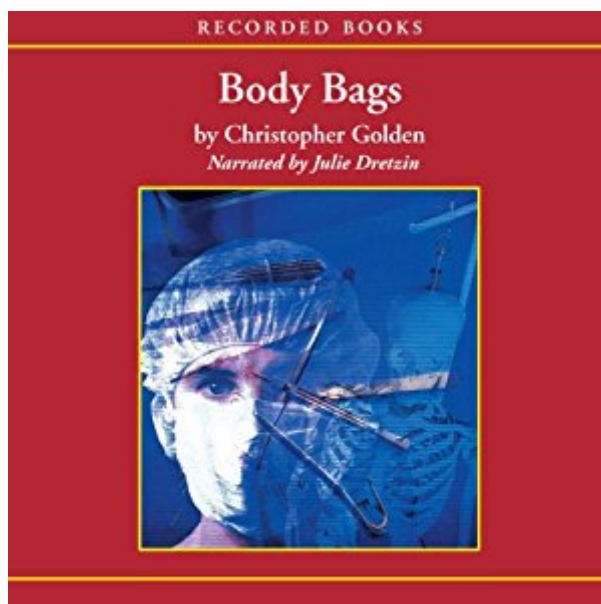


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# Body Bags: Body Of Evidence Series #1



## Synopsis

Jenna Blake, a freshman in college, wants to be a doctor like her mother. Unfortunately, she has a deep dislike of blood and an even deeper fear of doing harm to someone. Her father suggests an unusual option-medical examiner. Although Jenna finds the idea disgusting, she decides to go for an interview at the campus hospital. Part of the interview involves witnessing an autopsy. What she learns there draws her into a medical mystery with political ramifications. Unsure who she can trust, Jenna fights to discover the source of a new and lethal disease. But in her determination to find the truth, she makes herself the target of a sinister killer. Her only hope is to outsmart this ruthless shadowy figure. *Body Bags* offers an intelligent, believable young woman while building suspense to a fever pitch. Narrator Julie Dretzin perfectly captures Jenna's courageous spirit.

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## Customer Reviews

This book is much like many others Christopher Golden has written, including the *Shadow Saga*: refreshing and original in its own right. When I first saw this book, I had my doubts about it, but once I read past the first chapter, I knew I'd be looking out for the rest of the series. I personally enjoyed the well-conceived plot, as well as the realistic characters. Many young adult books these days seem more suited for preteens, for example, the *Sabrina the Teenage Witch* series, *Fear Street* (in a slight sense), *Sweet Valley High*, and numerous others, but an actual teen, or young adult, would really enjoy this book. For one, the main character, Jenna Blake is a freshman in college (for most "young adult" books, the main character(s) is/are in high school), and that gives it a plus. Then there's the not-so-perfect family that Jenna Blake has, giving it a realistic touch, along with the slight

friction between her parents. Of course there's also the hesitation Jenna feels at going away to college, and the obligation she feels that she has to fulfill her mother's hopes for her to become a doctor. Jenna Blake is not your average high school/college bimbo whose life is perfect, but instead a teen who could exist easily in the real world, and whom I certainly identify with. Golden has brought yet another great novel into the literary world, and I sure hope he will bring in more of his own original pieces, not just books based on Buffy the Vampire Slayer, or X-Men or whatever.

When I saw this book on the shelf @ my fav booksore, I knew that I just had to read it. I love horror stories, especially when they have a medical component. Christopher Golden is wonderful at catching each character at it's best- or it's worst, which makes them very real and believable and is the essence of a good horror story, or any story for that matter. Jenna has struggles with liveing up to her mother's expectations, trying to make decisions about her career and her life, while still trying to fit in and have fun. And she is adventurous enough to decide that she is going to figure out what's going on. This is a great book!

"Body Bags" introduces us to Jenna Blake, college freshman, EveryWoman, trying to find out what she wants to do with her education and her career - and who she is. Packed with horror and intrigue, the reader is caught up in Jenna's life, her heartbeat and the reader's matching in rhythm at each suspenseful turn. The BODY of EVIDENCE series by Christopher Golden is a must-read. Body Bags first, then Thief of Hearts, and then the future BoE books in the works. You can't go wrong with Christopher's works, and "Body Bags" is an excellent example of that. Read. This. Book. Now. Then read "Thief of Hearts", etc.

I love true crime, medical mystery TV shows. I thought I'd give this book series a try and I'm glad I did. If you like female sleuths and medical thrillers, you will like this title. There are a few graphic autopsy scenes - eeew, but I loved it!! At times the main character, Jenna, got a bit annoying, but I'm sure she'll grow on me. The mystery was fine - not spectacular, but fine. I feel this first book is to introduce the setting, players, and scenario. I'm looking forward to more.

This book was a wonderful thriller. In fact, once I started it I could not put it down. Jenna Blake is a college freshman who starts to work as a medical examiners assistant. Don't want to give too much away here. I was happy to get to discover an old book by an author I only recently discovered!

Although this is the first book of A BODY OF EVIDENCE, it was well-written and full of suspense. This story tells of a girl, Jenna Blake, who starts her freshman year at Somerset University. She got a job at Somerset Medical Centre as a pathology assistant. She assist at an autopsy where a man died with his brain full of insect larvae. She felt even more curious, scared and upset when her professor died of the same cause. The mystery starts here. Jenna was determined to solve the mystery. She was stalked by a mysterious man and was almost killed. When the mysterious man failed to kill Jenna in his first attempt, he made two more attempts on Jenna's life. Who was this man? What does he want with Jenna? I were hooked on this book when I started reading it. I am like Jenna who was racing against time to find out the murder before someone else gets hurt. Can she make it?

Sort of a cross between Bones & Buffy, this follows the adventures of a College fresh woman who is also interning at the local morgue. In this, the 1st book of the series, there is nothing supernatural, and honestly too much of the book is spent talking about her first week on campus. I am a Chris Golden fan, loving several of his other series, but this series just didn't do it for me. Perhaps it's aimed at a different audience. Not that I threw it down in disgust or demanded my \$ back, but I can't see reading any more in the series. But try it yourself, if you're a Chris Golden fan. I gave it \*\*\*, but I concede I was torn between \*\*\* & \*\*\*\*.

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