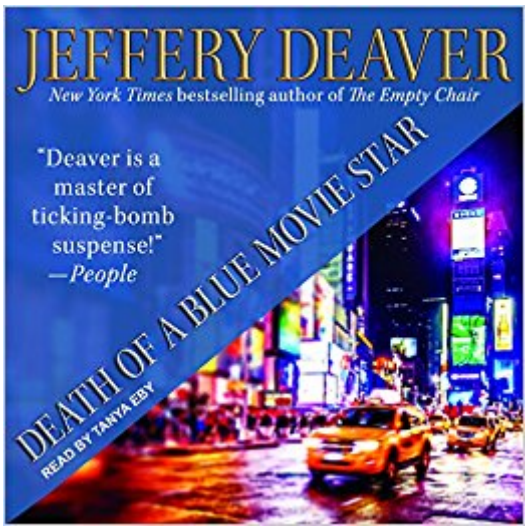
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Synopsis

Twenty-one-year-old Rune is an aspiring filmmaker, but so far her only break has been scoring a job as an underpaid production assistant in Manhattan. Still, she's always on the lookout for the perfect topic for her own film-and she thinks she's found it when she witnesses the bombing of a triple-X movie theater in Times Square. Rune's got a great hook for her documentary: She plans to film it through the eyes of Shelly Lowe, the porn star whose movie was playing at the theater when it exploded. But just hours after Rune films a poignant Shelly reflecting on her dreams of becoming a serious actress, a second bomb silences the beautiful film star forever. Was Shelly in the wrong place at the wrong time-or was she the bomber's target all along? Rune vows to find out the truth behind the death of this blue movie star. But as she struggles to finish shooting her film, Rune's labor of love may be her final masterpiece-as a shooting of a more lethal kind threatens to write an ending to this story that no one wants to see . . .

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When a porno movie theater is blown up in Times Square, 21-year-old film production assistant Rune (no last name given) decides that this is the chance to realize her dream of making her own film. Using the bombing as a hook for a documentary on pornography, she interviews Shelly Lowe, a major porn star. Rune is just getting into the film when another explosion kills Shelly. Evidence points to a religious cult, but Rune teams up with a quirky bomb squad detective, Sam Healy, to discover the real murderer. Since Rune's method of operation is unorthodox (including breaking into

offices and buying false IDs), Sam extricates her from some bizarre predicaments and then becomes her lover. Rune’s pursuit of the killer takes her behind the scenes of legitimate theater and into the seamy world of pornography. She is an offbeat heroine with a mixture of spunk and naivete. Deaver (Manhattan Is My Beat) writes compellingly about New York’s sordid side, but his portrayal of Shelly as a gifted actress and aspiring playwright is hard to credit. Still, his fast-paced whodunit is saved by surprising twists near the end. Copyright 1990 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

"The author creates a great sense of atmosphere, enhanced with vivid imagery and well-defined characters."-- Rendezvous"Highly original and very entertaining."-- Alfred Hitchcock Mystery MagazineDon’t miss Jeffery Deaver’s other gripping novels featuring his unforgettable heroine Rune"[Rune] is a breath of fresh air!"-- BooklistManhattan Is My Beat"Highly original and very entertaining."-- Alfred Hitchcock Mystery Magazineand look for:The Lesson Of Her DeathMistress Of JusticeAvailable from Bantam Books And the third Rune mystery:Hard News"Peerless entertainment."-- Kirkus ReviewsComing soon from Bantam Books! --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Rune is a young woman who wants to be a film-maker. Although she doesn’t have any formal education, she has managed to pick up bits and pieces from various jobs she has held, including her current one for an agency that does advertising and independent films. One day, on the way to work, she witnesses the bombing of an adult movie theatre - the professed work of a right-wing Fundamentalist group calling themselves the Sword of Jesus - and the idea of creating a film around the event captures her interest. She tracks down an actress who was in one of the films playing in the theatre that day - Shelly Lowe - and convinces her to give some interviews. However, shortly after beginning the project, a second bombing kills Shelly Lowe, so Rune must change her focus - she begins to interview Shelly’s friends instead, deciding to focus the film on the life and death of this actress, while at the same time trying to solve the mystery of who exactly are responsible for the bombings. Rune develops a relationship with Sam Healy, a member of the bomb squad, who at first tries to keep her away from the scene and then later just tries to minimize the damage.There are plenty of twists to this one - worthy of Jeffrey Deaver! He never lets us down, that’s for sure! Don’t miss this one!

Poorly written. Definitely not worth the purchase. Very disappointing for a Deaver book. I bought all

3 books. The 1st one was just as bad as this one

The main character Rune does not continue her unique development and insight to the world, as she did in Manhattan is My Beat. And while it does deal with an interesting story of those that are sometimes forgotten by a society who considers some less than worthwhile, it never really gets enough steam to say that they shouldn't be forgotten. On the other hand, it does get into the personality quirks of several people, including those that society would deem worthwhile, but have secrets the world doesn't know.Reading this story will be ok, but don't expect the same level of enjoyment as from Manhattan is My Beat.EJ

Not up to my "Deaver Expectations." My fault for purchasing all three Rune books. May have turned me off to future Deaver works. "Okay" but not his usual quality of writing.

Jeffrey Deaver has a hit series with his Lincoln Rhyme books, but this book is part of an earlier trilogy featuring Rune, a New York City one-of-a-kind sleuth. She's young,intelligent,and determined. Five feet two inches of off-beat craftiness with purple hair--squatting in a Manhattan loft apartment. You'll love her. Be sure to read the other two Rune books as well: Manhattan is My Beat, and Hard News.

I searched everywhere offline trying to locate this book with no luck. Mr. Deaver is an excellent author and his books are always easy to follow. The thing I enjoy most is that he always keeps the story flowing. He is not one of those authors that like to try to intimidate you with their extensive vocabulary. Be sure to pick-up the other 2 books in this series before reading this one.

Love Jeffery Deaver's books!

Death of a Blue Movie StarTypical Deaver mystery novel from early in his career. Part of the Rune trilogy, it is about a young girl in New York City who wants to be a movie producer and who tries to do a feature about a porn movie star who was killed. Typical Deaver twists and turns that do hold the attention, although, with Deaver, you would be very surprised if there was no surprise at the end.

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