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These two sisters embark on a Shakespearian tale of switched identities, complicated love triangles...and meddlesome gods. Rakaia is rescued on the road by none other than the Demon Child, R'shiel, still searching for a way to force Death to release her near immortal Brak. Charisee tries to act like the princess she was never meant to be and manages to draw the attention of the God of Liars who applauds her deception and only wants to *help*.

Then there is the little matter of the God of Music's magical totem that has been stolen...and how this theft may undo the universe.

Powerful magics, byzantine politics, sweeping adventure, and a couple of juicy love stories thrown in for good measure, *The Lyre Thief* is classic Fallon that is sure to appeal to her fans.

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#### **Editorial Review**

#### From Publishers Weekly

Fallon's trilogy launch opens 10 years after the events previously recounted in the Hythrun Chronicles, in a land where dangerous intrigues are always stirring and a royal case of switched identities heralds the renewal of old enmities. Princess Rakaia of Fardohnya is desperate to escape the court before her father, King Hablet, learns she isn't his daughter. She has agreed to marry the elderly lord of distant Highcastleâ€"but she has no intention of going through with it. Instead, she convinces her stepsister, Charisee, to switch places with her. Their risky masquerade puts them both in the way of larger forces: the God of Liars takes a special interest in Charisee, and Rakaia falls in love with the thief whose last job has left both humans and gods scrambling. Fallon skillfully cranks up the tension, building a taut web of interlocking schemes, plots, and shady politics. With its lively cast of characters, conflicting motivations, and a bit of romance, Fallon's latest Hythrun novel will entertain new readers and returning fans. (Mar.)

#### About the Author

Fallon is the author of 21 full-length bestselling novels and a number of published short stories in genres ranging from horror to science fiction, and a bestselling series on writing.

In addition to 4 complete fantasy series - The Demon Child trilogy, The Hythrun Chronicles, the Second Sons Trilogy, The Tide Lords Quadrilogy and the Rift Runners series - Fallon has written both a tie-novel and short fiction for the TV series, Stargate SG1, an official Zorro story, a novella for the Legends of Australian Fantasy Anthology and has a superhero - The Violet Valet (CHICKS IN CAPES).

Fallon has a Masters Degree from the Creative Arts faculty of QUT. A computer trainer and application specialist, Fallon currently works in the IT industry and spends at least a month each year working at Scott Base in Antarctica.

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