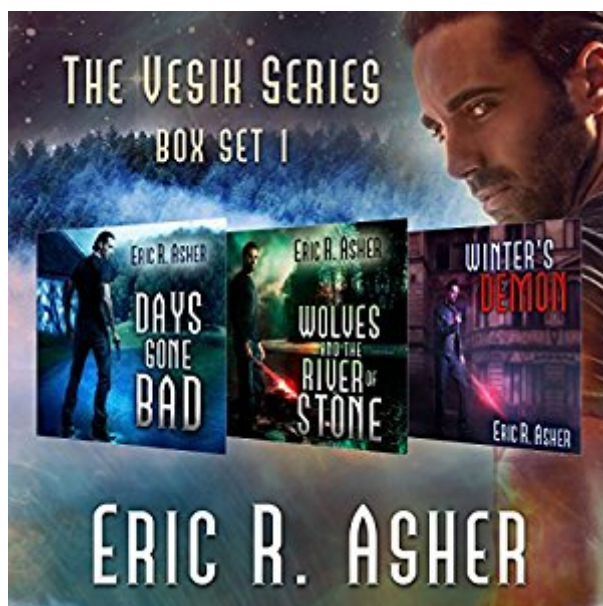


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Synopsis

This omnibus collection includes *Days Gone Bad*, *Wolves and the River of Stone*, and *Winter's Demon*. That's three complete novels of Damian's dark, gritty, and occasionally hilarious urban-fantasy adventures. *Days Gone Bad* (Book 1) My name is Damian Valdis Vesik. I am a necromancer, an ability feared and hated as much as the powers my master and I set ourselves against. We've vanquished many evils, but now something is releasing an old darkness, forcing us to hunt an enemy beyond anything I've faced before. I was already busy enough with vampires, fairies, witches, Watchers, weddings, and ...damn, I need a vacation. *Wolves and the River of Stone* (Book 2) Philip, Zola's boyfriend from 150 years ago, is not nearly as dead as we thought. I really wish he was. Not only has he kidnapped Zola, but he's raising an army to scour humanity from the Earth. Hopefully the local werewolf pack will help. What could possibly go wrong? *Winter's Demon* (Book 3) Some things can never be undone. The horrors I've defeated - or even caused - with my own hands...they are nothing compared to what's coming. Philip Pinkerton has brought his madness upon my family, my own blood. His army of necromancers is on the move, harbingers of a great darkness. I fear the war has begun...and damn, I don't get paid enough for this.

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Customer Reviews

This set includes the first three books in the Vesick series. This can be read as a standalone. While it does not end in a traditional cliffhanger, it is clear the story doesn't end here. There is a lot of violence and gore and sexual situations so 18+. Will I continue to read future books in the series?

Of course I will. The book blurb adequately describes the storyline so I'm not going to repeat that all of that info here. This story involves necromancers, vampires, Fae, demons, and other supernatural creatures. Damian Vesick, his mentor Zola, and an assortment of family, friends, and other allies have their hands full while they try to stop foes determined to wreck havoc on Earth. Will they succeed and if they do at what cost? They find out they are facing bigger problems than just the demon and Philip. As losses mount on both sides, the stakes get higher, especially for Damien. I also have the Audible version of this set. William Dufres is the narrator for the audio version. He does a good job in narrating the books. He is very clear and easy to understand. It is nice to have both versions so I can continue "reading" the books when I'm not somewhere I can read the Kindle version.

I really enjoyed this series. So much that I immediately purchased and read the two follow ups and eagerly await book 6. Vesik, the lead character, is a necromancer. He's young enough that he is still an apprentice, but trained and old enough that his master has trust enough to let him go about on his own. Training him in specific issues as the need arises. If you've read this far then you've looked at the book descriptions and learned the series contains vampires, fairies, werewolves, demons and a whole host of other creatures from the world of the Fae. If these things interest you, you probably have a preconceived notion of what all those creatures are and how they should act. This series, though, doesn't hold to a lot of the established conventions of the Fae and the other creatures mentioned. If you are unable to accept the author's interpretations then you may not like this book. But if you are flexible and allow the author to lead you where the story takes you then you should have a great time. Why did I rate this so high? I wasn't going to initially. There are some spelling mistakes and some grammar errors and usually that would be enough to effect my decision. But while I was reading, the author's literary ability was such that I found myself wanting to physically go see these places he was describing (a lot of the books take place in historic locations). So I figured if the writing was good enough to not only see these locations in my head but to also make me want to visit their real-life counterparts then the author has done a superb job and I should recognize it as such.

Reading is a passion for me. It's not often that a writer captures my attention and keeps it for an entire book let alone an entire series of books. The last one to really capture me in this was Butcher, before that Tolkien. So when I ran across the first Vesik book I thought it would be a nice diversion from the books I was reading at the time. But I was not prepared for what was to

come. Maybe it's because the books events occur in an area I am very familiar with. Maybe it's the genre. Whatever it is, Eric Asher delivers up a story that sucks you in from the first word and leaves you wanting more by the end of the books! These books truly are word crack!! The Vesik series is chock full of memorable characters. The "hero" walks a very fine line between the light and the darkness that can overcome anyone with talent. The friends, family and allies help keep him on a very narrow path between good and evil. There is always doubt as to whether they can succeed in preventing Damian from truly embracing powers within and forsaking the goodness he is capable of. Zola, his mentor is a well written and interesting character who I truly want to know more about. Eric Asher could write an entire series around her if he chose to. There are so many more well thought out characters from Damian's sister, the Faries that live in a clock in Damian's shop, Mike the Demon and so many many more. I will say that I hate reading every book because I know that one day Eric will say "that's it, this story is done." That will be a sad day. I won't go into any further details so as to avoid spoilers, as they are covered in blurbs and other's reviews. These books are addictive, like Oreos and Milk, Peanut Butter and Jelly, Catfish, Hush puppies and maybe even Chimichangas. If you enjoy urban fantasy with well developed characters, locations and excellent storytelling that keeps you engaged from the first word, then these books are for you. If not, what the heck is wrong with you? :) One additional thing I will add. I have had the privilege of meeting Mr. Asher in person. It was a very enjoyable experience. He is a truly nice man and I wish him success in all his endeavors and hope that it is at least several books more before he puts the Vesik series to bed.

Vesik is a necromancer. But he's not a bad guy. In this opening trilogy you see situations go from moderately bad to desperate and worse. This series gets 5 stars from me simply due to the the fact that I couldn't fully predict what was going to happen and I couldn't put it down. The characters are great and varied, they develop and change throughout these books, and they are fully realized and thought out. The pacing is decent, although it felt a bit rushed at places, particularly when world-ending artifacts are concerned. Overall, great read.

At first, I thought, 'Oh, boy. Another necromancer/vampire series. Boy, did that change really quick! LOVE this series and can't read them fast enough!!! More, more! I need more Vesik!!!!

I LOVE the Vesik world! So imaginative! So warm, with the friends and family interactions! Dark, with dark warlocks, blood mages, and dark necromancers! "Good Guy" heroes, including

Necromancers, demigods, warrior Fae, and so much more! It's a highly addictive series already and I can barely put it down! Dresden fans will absolutely love Vesik and company! This one sure does!

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