

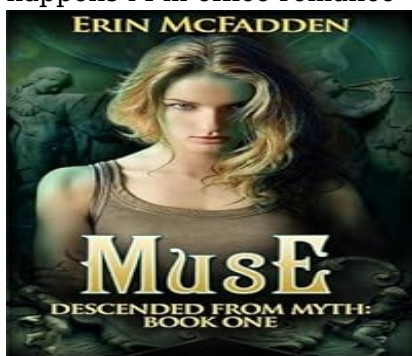
## Muse Descended From Myth #1 By Erin McFadden

Contemporary fantasy author Erin McFadden lives in Indiana with her two daughters. They love reading and watching movies together as well as camping and hiking in the great outdoors. Erin dreams of packing up and visiting all the magical historical spots in Europe she has read about. An unabashed geek, Erin loves science fiction, all things paranormal, and anything involving a conspiracy theory. The Brotherhood of the Guardians has existed for thousands of years to serve a single purpose: the protection of Talents, the mortal descendants of the original nine Muses. Twenty-one-year-old Daniel Lyoncourt has trained his entire life to join the Guardians. Daniel is prepared to risk his life in order to keep his Talent safe, but when he's assigned to nineteen-year-old Anna Saint James, he discovers that his life isn't the only thing he could lose. Anna has no idea how special she is and knows nothing about her abilities. He must teach her to control her gifts, keep her safe, and hope that he can find a place in her life as something more than just her bodyguard. All power comes at a price. Like all Talents, Anna must one day make a choice: lose all of her powers or ascend to a higher plane, leaving behind everyone she loves.

*Muse Descended From Myth #1* I was given a copy of this book for free from the author in exchange for an honest review. I wasn't ready for how fast this book sucked me into its gravitational pull. From page one, I was hooked. The author seamlessly draws you into a world where being a Muse can be dangerous. I really enjoyed the storyline and plot of this novel; it was different than most of the young adult books out there. I've read lots of novels in this genre, and this is one of the best I have read in a long time. The characters are well-written, the world-building is good, and the writing flows nicely. Anna and Daniel's relationship isn't based on teenage hormones like so many you read now. A day! It was refreshing to read a book in this genre that was actually acceptable for a young adult to read. There was a little bit of something for everyone in this book: action, humor, I laughed a few times while reading because of the banter, romance, and suspense. The ending wasn't an epic cliffhanger but definitely left me wanting to read the next book to see what is in store for Anna, Daniel, the other Talents, and the Guardians. Kudos to Ms. McFadden for writing a YA novel that even a not-so-young adult enjoyed reading.

**Disclaimer:** This review was done in conjunction with Nerd Girl Official. For information regarding our reviews, visit our Fansite: [www.facebook.com/NerdGirlNg](http://www.facebook.com/NerdGirlNg). M m office romance. A mix of mythology, good old romance. *Muse* is a fun read. The highlight? Daniel, for sure. Here's a sneak peek: "I don't see any bruises." Sara chimed in. "Just mmuuuuuscles." Ginger sighed. "That was about enough for me now. I had to see who the heck they were ogling, though. I had a sneaking suspicion that I already knew TyLinda, and I both walked over to the window even though she had been able to see most of the view from where we'd been sitting. Out in the yard, one of the big trucks had pulled up and was in the process of being unloaded by some of the guys from the crew. The thing was packed with building supplies, and since it was a warm day, most of the guys had stripped off their shirts. Including Daniel, who had just jumped out of the back of the truck with another load of materials. Holy crap! My mouth went dry, and I realized I was gnawing on my lower lip. Daniel paused and looked up toward our window, wiping sweat from his forehead with the shirt he had tucked in his waistband. I fought the urge to duck and pretend that I hadn't been caught staring at him shirtless, but as soon as his eyes caught mine, I decided I didn't care. He grinned and raised a hand in greeting, so I gave a timid wave back. The girls laughed like maniacs again, and we all decided it was time to get back to work before we looked like total stalkers." M m office romance. Daniel had worked all his life to be the great Guardian he was destined to be. But he had second thoughts when he finally learned who he would be watching over. Anna was breathtakingly beautiful, and he assumed it was only a matter of time before he became blind in love and be like his father and would leave his family soon. Of course, this devastated his mom a whole lot, but then what choice did they have? Anna was working her way up to success. But she didn't have confidence in herself. She's not even aware that she got the Influence. That she was a Talent. Because she was adopted and she never had the chance to spend her lifetime with biological parents. Daniel would have to work overtime to convince her that he's the real deal and that she's got a lot in her plate, a lot than meets the eye. Things got out of hand when Anna was abducted and used to work her

power on other people Daniel must find a way to save her even if it would cost his life Mind control thought pusher compulsion persuader This Was Mind blowing These are the words that ran through my mind while reading Muse and now I think I'm going to include Influence in that list My mind worked seamlessly while devouring Anna and Daniel's one of a kind relationship and I thought I could never get enough of them Oh gosh I think Erin McFadden is a genius I loved how she built this world of Talents and Guardians and Watchers and made me realize the mind is such a powerful tool The characters are endearing and the plot was immersive and mystifying She doesn't need to compel me to read Muse because I'd gladly read all the books in this series I seldom read fantasy/paranormal genre but I know how to appreciate a great book And I'm glad I got to read this one Muse is definitely one of the fantastically thrilling books I highly recommend M m office romance I received this book in exchange for an honest review Daniel Lyoncourt trained his whole life to join the Guardians At the same time he promises himself not to place the Talent he'll represent before his family His father placed his Talent before the family causing his mother to suffer a great deal of pain His promises die the moment he lays his eyes on Anna Saint James Not only is she beautiful she is not aware of her abilities Daniel promises to protect and teacher her at the same time He also hopes their professional friendship will grow into a romantic relationship I understand Daniel's feelings toward Anna because I experienced the same feelings the moment I started reading Muse The characters drew me in from the beginning While the plot was fast paced and compelling I forced myself to read slowly so I could savor every word I was sad to lose these characters when I read the last page and look forward to Book 2 M m office romance first book by Mrs McFadden And I love the cover I received this book from the author because she is super nice I would categorize this as a YA paranormal romance It was a great cute story I felt that the romance might have been rushed a little bit for the story within the time frame; but with extreme circumstances come extreme emotions so with that the book was consistent Totally appropriate for ages 14 and up I feel The book had a very easy going flow as I read it and I really like Daniel He had this conflict within him where he wanted to follow in his father's footsteps but at the same time he didn't want to become like his father and he struggled back and forth with that I liked how she wrote the brotherhood as a bit archaic and old fashioned in that you were grandfathered in and only males were allowed to be guardians The reason I like that is because it opens the story up for changes and development in the future Anna was a sweet girl; she didn't have a mean bone in her body She was very helpful to others had great support from her friends and a loving family The only thing that I found lacking was her self confidence But it was endearing the insecurities that she had They were normal teenage insecurities that we all have had growing up Plus she wasn't too perfect because of them The story was pretty uick; I read it in a day A lot of things happened uickly and there was a lot of violence near the end The story took a pretty big turn about 23 through so that was cool that I wasn't able to predict it I would totally recommend it; I'm probably going to read the next book because I want to know what happens M m office romance



The series title of this book got me really curious because I love Myth stories and how they relate or differ to the Mythology I learned from school The premise of the story was very original which made me glad that I read this book The characters are very dimensional with also so much room for progress and growth for the next books I personally loved Daniel's character Which is something unusual for me because I always tend to like the characters that are not the main characters to the

story I liked Anna's character too The way that she's soft hearted and all nice yet have a strong will to stand firm for the things that she wants and the things she believed in Erin's writing was also very smooth flowing and I liked how this book is complete with humor action fantasy and a hint of romance that was appropriate for their age The back story took me a bit of time to get into and I must admit I still have a few uestion in my head with regards to the Guardians and Watchers side of the history And because it was titled 'Descended from Myth' I was hoping for a some reference to mythology Anyway this is the first book in the series so I'm reserving judgement for that aspect Hopefully there's about it in the next books That clearly indicates that I'll be reading the next one too I'm actually looking forward to finding out I'm also looking forward to how the characters especially Gabriel act on the current issues that were left on their hands by the end of the book There are really a lot of promising characters from this first book to look forward to I don't know if this is also the first book of the author All I know is that she did a very good job at writing this one M m office romance I enjoyed this book uite a bit I really love when there is any kind of mythology in a book I find it fascinating This was an interesting premise with Talents and Guardians The world is so intricate and the characters were well rounded and felt very real I really liked the detail Erin McFadden put into this book I look forward to from this author#audiobookobsessionreviewer M m office romance This book was provided to Nerd Girl Official in exchange for an honest reviewMuse by Erin McFadden is the first in her Descended From Myth Series I truly enjoy Ms McFadden's books and this was no exception Talents are descendants of the original nine muses and each is assigned a Guardian from the Brotherhood for protection Daniel has trained his whole life to be a Guardian but when he's assigned Anna he wonders if he can do his job — all aspects of it — with the unexpected reaction he has to her This book is wonderful full of all of the emotions you want in a really good book Ms McFadden definitely knows how to build a world full of characters you get to know and love 45 stars rounded to 5Review has been done in conjunction with Nerd Girl Official For information regarding our reviews please visit our fan site [www.facebook.com/NerdGirlING](http://www.facebook.com/NerdGirlING) M m office romance Epic is a word that comes to mind after reading this book I don't read many books mainly because it's hard for me to find a book that hooks me from the beginning Not a problem with this one The way the author alternates chapters between the two main characters really drew me in and kept me interested Being a male I found myself chuckling a lot as you sometimes got both Anna's and then Daniel's very different points of view on the same situation and thinking yep that's what I would have thoughtdid if I was in Daniel's shoes I never thought at any point that the story fell flat at all I think that young men will really relate with the dynamics of Daniel's yearning to follow in his father's footsteps but in his own way What she did with Anna being a shy and for lack of better words normal girl that by the end was just as strong and confident as her counterpart was an amazing journey in itselfThe book was long enough to get to know the characters and the story without me ever feeling like it could have ended several times like with some books I've read or should I say attempted to read Though this book is a fantasy book it read like it could actually be And yes it has its mushy parts to ladies but she wrote it with class and kept it clean without making it feel to adolescent and kept this putz interested enough to be excited to read the next book in the series M m office romance I received Muse as an ARC for an honest reviewI waited after finishing this book to write this review to see if after a couple of days my thoughts on it might change Nope Simply put I loved this book from start to finish I loved the characters the story the action the sarcasm the obscure references to television shows and movies of my youth There were awww moments there were angry moments and there were moments that were truly laugh out loud It was a coming of age story a love story an action packed roller coaster wrapped up in a neat little package I was unsure how this book would play out Ms McFadden managed to pull off something extraordinary here She wrote this entire book in first person The chapters vacillated back and forth between the 2 characters entirely in the first person aspect of each It was never repetitive never boring and the story flowed as well as if it were written from a single character's perspective For that I applaud you She also managed to captivate my imagination I understood everything she was telling me but she wasn't overly wordsy So here goes I will try not to give anything away because this is a must

readThe plot was well researched well thought out and excellently executed There were no moments of lag the flow was smooth the resolution complete I look forward to the next books in the series as there is a lot I want to know about the supporting characters and their stories especially the Brotherhood of the GuardiansI WANT MOREThe characters are well developed strong and are interesting enough that they could develop into lead characters with little effort The main characters are well written Unlike most novels in this genre they are not unbelievable in their strengths and weaknesses They are down to earth strong likable and seem very very approachableAnna what can I say about Anna? This girl is amazing but not unbelievably so She comes from a loving home with doting parents She was adopted at a young age and she has always wondered where she comes from and what happened to her parents She is slightly naive a little dingy totally down to earth totally real and the kind of person I could see myself being friends with I don't know how she did it but I could totally see myself doing some of the things she didDaniel one word YUM Down to earth chiseled hottie who only has eyes for his Talent He is funny he is handsome and totally dedicated to his job and family He is completely in love with Anna but is torn because he has seen the road that Talents usually take and knows that he will get his heart broken I love that no matter what she can do to him he is always on her side and loves her without hesitation Unlike most I started this book with no expectations beyond the interesting premise but was sucked in immediately and entirely I will not hesitate to read anything else that Ms McFadden puts to paper Mark my words this girl is going to be BIGMicheleBook Geeks Unite<http://www.facebook.com/bookgeeksunite> M m office romance.

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