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## Editorial Review

From School Library Journal

Gr 9 Up-Take your everyday apocalyptic story, put some high school and middle school students and kindergarteners together on a bus, hurtle them into a giant supermarket, sprinkle a contamination epidemic, and you get Laybourne's thriller (Feiwel & Friends, 2012). Sophomore outcast Dean narrates the ordeal as he struggles to look out for his brother, keep an eye on his crush, and keep order as major issues arise (contaminated air and water, murderers on the outside, lice). What makes this different from other doomsday titles is its ability to create a solid family amongst the different ages of characters that all look out for the youngest of survivors. Each of the discs begins and ends with an eerie instrumental piece, while Todd Haberkorn's careful narration shows limited emotion as the harrowing events unfold. A few sexual situations and carnage descriptions make this appropriate for slightly older teens. The audio ends abruptly with a cliff-hanger, hinting at a sequel. Fans of Susan Pfeffer's *Life as We Knew It* (Harcourt, 2006) or *Ashfall* (Tanglewood, 2011) by Mike Mullin will enjoy Laybourne's debut novel. Purchase where demand for dystopian fiction is high.-Amanda Schiavulli Finger Lakes Library System, NYα(c) Copyright 2011. Library Journals LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Media Source, Inc. No redistribution permitted.

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“...a combination survival and apocalyptic story.” ?*VOYA*

“...a real thriller...” ?*Booklist*

“...Laybourne's debut ably turns what could have been yet another postapocalyptic YA novel into a tense, claustrophobic, and fast-paced thriller.” ?*Publishers Weekly, starred*

“...intriguing beyond the survival elements...” ?*Horn Book*

“...readers will eagerly await the second volume.” ?*Kirkus*

“Concise, clear, and riveting. A cliff-hanger ending leaves readers devastated but breathlessly awaiting the sequel. A stellar addition to any collection.” ?*School Library Journal*

## About the Author

**EMMY LAYBOURNE** is a novelist, teacher, and former character actress. Emmy's *Monument 14* trilogy has earned critical praise ("Frighteningly real... riveting" - New York Times Book Review, Editor's Choice) and has been nominated by readers to the YALSA Teens Top Ten in 2013 and 2014. Before her life as an author, Emmy performed original comedy on Comedy Central, MTV, and VH1; and acted in the movies *Superstar*, *The In-Laws*, and *Nancy Drew*, among others. Emmy lives outside New York City with her husband, two kids, and a flock of 8 nifty chickens.

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