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Hard Edit: Sequel To "Black Balled"



Synopsis

It's all fun and games until egos get hurt. After a year of a seemingly happily-ever-after, Troy Babilonia throws a curve ball that smacks Larson Blackburn right in the head. When Troy's debut novel, "Bridge to Lonely," threatens to overshadow Larson's own success, inviting a past shadow into the light of their present, the two alphas must learn to adjust. "Bridge to Lonely" has garnered an unexpected success both in the literary world and in the film industry, forcing Larson to accept that he is not the only successful author in the building. But as Troy's old flame decides to make an appearance, the two alphas are forced to test the strength of their love. Let the battle of the egos recommence; where sarcasm is the preferred weapon, and the testosterone levels go beyond the boiling point. Because Black Balled just wasn't enough...Smith & LeNoir bring you Hard Edit. Adult Content 18+

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Customer Reviews

Their backâ |..Hard Edit starts up right where Black Balled ended. All the banter, big egos and sarcasm Troy and Larson are famously known for, they bring to the table. If you havenâ™t read Black Balled, I suggest you do because you are missing out on the first of two hottest M/M books

out there right now. Troy and Larson are living their days and nights together as a happy couple. Troy is still working as the bad-ass reviewer and completed his book *Bridge to Lonely*. To Larson's surprise Troy self publishes it and it becomes a hit. Will the success of the book and maybe more ruin the roles they have established? Will someone from the past destroy the love they built in between all of their banter? Or will they finally grow into the next level of their relationship? Sometimes sequels lose their luster. *Black Balled* is in my top 5 of m/m books I have read. So I was excited yet nervous about *Hard Edit* because I wanted the excitement that I got in *Black Balled*. I wasn't disappointed as this story continues with higher emotions, more tragedy and other events that will have you cheering out loud for these alpha males that make it work. Of course the sex was fantastic in this book making you say *OMG!* The comic relief, bantering and good sub characters take *Hard Edit* to the tops of my list. I love these characters! I love the way Troy and Larson come together and make their HEA throughout all the bumps in the road. It is a great conclusion for Troy and Larson, but that doesn't mean I don't want more. I laughed, cried and I still want to be in their world. Oh yes, I am in this book! Yours truly along with my fellow blogger made a cameo appearance at a book signing the boys attended (thanks Andrea and Eva, you rock.) I highly recommend that you read this book.

I don't think I will ever get my fill of Larson and Troy. I thought *Black Balled* was a pretty damn good and entertaining story, but *Hard Edit* blew *Black Balled* out of the water. Filled with dangerous levels of snark and smartassery, I laughed, snorted (yes, I admit it) and awww-ed my way through *Hard Edit*, and I have to tell you-I've already re-read it (I've only had it about a month). Both Larson and Troy are just as alpha, cocky and funny as they were in *Black Balled* actually even more so with a bit of hot-headedness thrown in for good measure. The banter that flies back and forth between them was fantastic, and hearing their thoughts through the whole book kept a grin-quite often a naughty grin-on my face almost the entire time I was reading. That naughty grin is the result of their sexual escapades which are even hotter here in *Hard Edit*. These two are made for each other, pure and simple-not just a match physically, but also mentally and emotionally. By the time you're through with the story, you can't imagine the two of them not together. The exceptional passion they possess individually and together shines on every page, and makes both very strong characters. It is so hard for me to write this review without spoiling anything. I want to quote half the freakin' book because the writing is just THAT GOOD. I'll put this one here for you: *Troy?* *Hmmm?* *In case I don't say it enough* *Yeah?* *You're the main plot of my life story.* *Larson?* *Yeah?* *You're the beginning and the end*

of mine.â •Troy places an open-mouthed kiss at the crook of my neck and I sigh.He is mine.And I am his.There are so many exchanges that I highlighted, and theyâ™re all justâ |classic. And oh my goodness Ida.

Reviewed by Sharon ThÃ©rÃ¨seLaugh out loud at the overflowing satirical prose will most definitely be the cause for embarrassment if youâ™re reading Hard Edit in public. Therefore, I wouldnâ™t recommend doing this as you could be on the receiving end of dirty looks. Yeah, I am speaking from experience, so donâ™t say you havenâ™t been warned! Never expecting a follow-up, I canâ™t begin to thank the authors enough for taking the bull by the horns without any consternation. If you like this kind of genre, my advice to you is to read Black Balled first as it gets you into the swing of Larson and Troyâ™s escapades. Or maybe I should say sexapades because hotness in parenthesis is guaranteed. Have an open-mind, jump into it without prejudice and I can honestly say you wonâ™t be disappointed. Why do I mention this, then?Black Balled was considered a somewhat controversial read and caused undue criticism on a certain reviewing site. This actually shocked me seeing that authors have every right to express themselves through their writings; fortunately, the book was praised by many and quite rightly so, too. Taking the indie publishing world by storm, it also happened to be the first book Iâ™d read by these co-authors. And just WOW! I loved it. The proverbial cherry on the top was the publication of the Audible version narrated by Noel Leslie who couldnâ™t have done a better job. How he made the booksâ™ characters come even more alive than they were with all his speech nuances was nothing less than incredible."Like my beloved always used to say: 'You can survive anything as long as you have cookies on hand'"Hard Edit rounded up few unanswered questions I had concerning a complex relationship between two horrendously drop-dead gorgeous alpha males.

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