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From Publishers Weekly

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From School Library Journal

Adult/High School—In his debut novel, Brett catapults readers into a world in which demons rise at night and the human population lives in fear and seclusion. Only those who brave the unsheltered night and survive see what lies beyond their birth town or city. The setting itself is spare and underdeveloped with the focus instead being on the flawed heroes of the tale. Brett spends a majority of the novel—the first of a series—establishing the backstories of the main characters, three humans who come from different towns and backgrounds and are thrown into the battle at a young age. Readers are held in suspense until the three finally meet. Brett uses the demons and magic to examine issues prevalent in our own society, such as religion versus science. The book is captivating and well written, quickly drawing readers in. *The Warded Man* is a must-read for anyone looking for a new fantasy world to explore.—*Kelliann Bogan, Colby-Sawyer College, New London, NH*

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"I enjoyed **The Warded Man** immensely. There is much to admire in Peter Brett's writing, and his concept is brilliant. There's action and suspense all the way, plus he made me care about his characters and want to know what's going to happen next."—Terry Brooks

"**The Warded Man** works not only as a great adventure novel but also as a reflection on the nature of heroism."—Charlaine Harris

"An absolute masterpiece . . . The novel [is] literally 'unputdownable,' and certainly deserves to be the next Big Thing in dark fantasy."—HorrorScope

“A very accomplished debut fantasy, broad in its scope.”—SFRevu

“A fabulous new fantasy series . . . that is likely to become a classic. Excellent fantasy literature.”—*The Cairns Post*, Queensland, Australia

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