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Unprofessional



Synopsis

What happens when you fall in love with your best friend? I have the best job in the world. Date beautiful women and write about it. But I want to take it to the next level: instead of writing about my experiences make it into an online reality show. But here is the catch. My boss wants me to share the show with a woman co-host. And he wants that woman to be my best friend and co-worker, Margo. I'll date beautiful women and she'll date hot men. Sounds fair enough. So now I have to watch her fake date hot men. I used to love going home with a different woman every night, but suddenly this isn't as fun. Seeing Margo with anyone else is driving me crazy. And the more time I spend with her working on the show, the less I want to keep our relationship in the friends zone. And the harder it is to stop myself from imagining her bent over the copier. Things are about to get unprofessional.

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Customer Reviews

Unprofessional was my first read by Mr. Hawkins. And boy, am I kicking myself for not having read his works sooner. A thoroughly surprising book in the best way possible. The story of the playboy

who realises his best girl friend is it for him is one that has been done a lot. So is the story of the coworkers who couldn't, shouldn't.. then do get together, and after some shuffling and working things out end up together, isn't new either. But the way in which Mr. Hawkins tells the story is quite unique. Margo and Owen are each rather headstrong characters, and convinced in their stances. Their genuine friendship while always admiring the other, even feeling attracted to one another is enviable. But then.. alcohol happens. And then their one line they never wanted to cross becomes a little blurred. A story of friendship blossoming. Of what seem like drunken mistakes, but might just be the push in the right direction. Of gentle reminders of the love between two people coming forth, even when they never wanted it to. Of life and it's tumultuous waves it throws at us. Mr. Hawkins excels at bringing us two main characters who are endearing, frustrating, all around loveable and yet so complex. His writing surprised me, in its honesty, clarity, no fuss or unnecessary frills, just clear, strong, soft, emotion-enducing storytelling, which I thoroughly enjoyed. Cannot wait to go back and read more from this author, who I admittedly underestimated.

J.D. Hawkins never disappoints! I LOVED Unprofessional! This story simmers slowly; yet seductively around swoon-worthy Owen and feisty yet fun Margo. Unprofessional is the ultimate friends to lover. It's a story. Margo and Owen were awesome together. The banter between them had me laughing out loud. And the sexual tension between them??? It was SIZZLING HOT!!! A down to earth story with characters that I could easily relate to; Unprofessional is definitely my new fave story by J.D. Hawkins!

Ok, total cliched romcom (and smutty -- I want to be clear the hot action is explicit), but done well. Both hero & heroine are appealing -- attractive, charming, smart, kind, ambitious, and respectful to each other. The set up is good, the dual points of view give both a satisfying level of insight into each character's feelings as well as keeping the level of tension high (while you're reading one character's point of view, it's easy to get excited and wonder what the other's impressions/emotions of the situation are). I like that both parties are strong-willed and see each other as equals, but I do wish the heroine was a bit less passive when it came to their relationship. Also, a quibble: when they finally come clean about their feelings for each other, they just use the phrase "I love you." This felt anti-climactic, as they'd been friends (best friends, really) for eight years -- surely they're both aware they love each other; seems like "I'm in love with you" would have made more sense. All in all, I enjoyed it (picked it up for free on recently); enough that this free version did its work: I've since picked up 4 more of the author's books. If you want a fluffy,

erotic romcom with only enough angst and tension to keep you interested, pick this up. Perfect beach read.

Wow! This book was even better than I expected it to be and it's definitely my favorite of JD Hawkins' books!! There was something in the writing this time that really made me feel everything that both Margo and Owen were feeling for each other. I loved the fast-paced, yet somehow slow-burning progression of their relationship because I never got the feeling that what was happening between them was too fast or too much. Unlike most friends to lovers romances, the friendship between Owen and Margo was never anything more than purely platonic. Sure there was a physical attraction but there was never a thought for them to be anything more than wingmen for each other in college, and friends and coworkers after. There weren't lingering looks or endless pining for each other, it was more of a sudden realization of the strong sexual chemistry between friends and the breaking point where things got really good. Even when they decided that they would just explore that chemistry between them with no strings, it never felt like they were instead just going out of their way to pretend there wasn't more between them, but rather that they were just exploring the organic connection between two people who spent years getting to know each other and that it finally clicked and morphed into something just a little bit more. There's no secret tragedy or back story for either of them that's completely messed them up and doomed them for future relationships, just the regular bs that life hands everyone. Owen has a reputation for being a player but, thankfully, we didn't have to see that thrown in our face constantly, it was just implied. Of all of Hawkins' alpha males, Owen is my favorite because he never came across as crass or overtly macho. Instead he was respectful, caring and easy-going in public but knew exactly how to throw down behind closed doors. MFing swoon. I sense something different in this story in regards to what it meant to the author while writing it. I felt more connected to these characters as a whole than in his previous books. Something about the way he wrote their story and the ease of which he sold them to me as people I know, or want to know, really left me feeling all kinds of giddy when I finished. This feels like the story he was meant to tell and I, for one, am glad to have had the opportunity to read it.

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