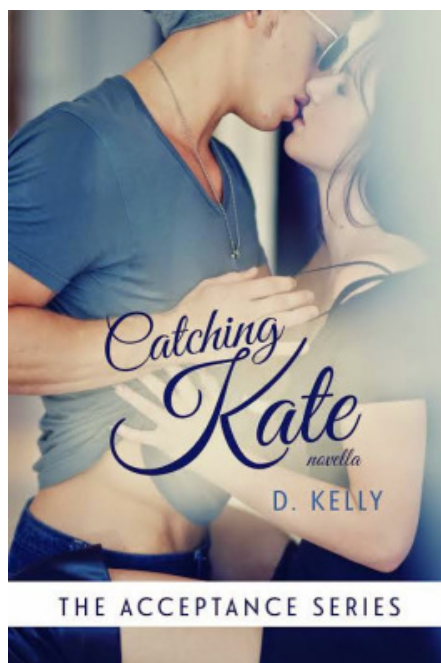




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After almost four years, Michael Matthews has come face to face with the love of his life. To say it didn't go quite as he envisioned is an understatement. Never in a million years would he have imagined that his best friend, Daniel, is the new man in Kate's life.

Once their explosive evening concludes and everyone goes their separate ways, Mike takes the time to calm down and plan his next move. If there's one thing that calms him it's Kate, even if it's just memories of her. Mike has four hours before he sees her again and gets to plead his case. Instead of sleeping, he spends his evening remembering every detail of their relationship from the beginning.

Experience Mike and Kate's love story from the start, all from Mike's point of view. Find out why he left Kate in pieces and learn just how far he'll go to make her fall in love with him all over again.

Catching Kate Details

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From Reader Review Catching Kate for online ebook

Letty (Cover to Cover Book Blog Reviewer) says

You must read Breaking Kate before this to get the whole story.

After Breaking Kate, I was definitely #TeamDaniel and I was sure that no matter what my fellow Southern Californian wrote on her little keyboard, I would not be influenced and change my mind...boy, little did I know this woman would weave her web and confuse the hell out of me.

Catching Kate is a novella told from Mike's POV and I really enjoyed getting the story from the beginning, from a different angle than what we got with Kate. It is apparent that Mike was completely in love with her and continues to be, even after the string of hook-ups he has found himself in the last four years. From the previous book, we know that Daniel is also in love with her. Kate loved Mike and was completely devastated when he left her. Now, Daniel has brought her back and she has fallen in love with him.

I was completely all over the place and felt like my feelings were put in a blender in the liquefy setting. How could I not love Mike, after seeing how much he suffered with that separation? How could my love for Daniel diminish, after what he went through with Vanessa and seeing how he worked to help Kate be herself again? My emotions were warring with each other and I still feel exhausted. I haven't changed my #TeamDaniel status, but I can appreciate Mike so much more.

The issue at the end of Breaking Kate is still unresolved here, but now the stage has been set to put Mike and Daniel on somewhat equal footing for the next book, Releasing Kate.

This is a MUST read if you've already started this series, and if you haven't, why the heck not? You are seriously missing out.

CJ says

Will first love be forever love...?

Kate & Jess' happily ever after is rocked by the sudden appearance of Mike at Jake and April's engagement party. Your heart literally stops when Mike and Kate make eye contact for the first time in four years. As a reader I could feel that split second when their past, and bad decision making on Mike's part, comes crashing down around them. At the same time your heart is breaking for Daniel. The novella is from Mike's POV and takes you back to where Mike, Kate, and Jess meet for the first time and the life events, good and bad, that lead up to where this heart stopping moment takes place. You learn how three people who were so close could be torn apart by a family tragedy and when tragedy strikes miscommunication and blame takes shape instead of rational thinking. Mike and Kate's lives were permanently altered from paths they thought they were destined for. Michael makes his case and his bid for Kate's heart.

While I believe we've all made our minds up about who Kate belongs with (haven't we??), I know I had to give Mike some sympathy after reading his story. But I am still #teamdaniel. I can't help it.

D. Kelly says

Catching Kate is book 1.5 in The Acceptance Series. I'm not sure what I can say about this book except it's probably my favorite in the series. Catching Kate is a novella told from Mike's point of view. Where it differs from some other novellas and alternate pov books is that this book is not a rehash of previously read material. It is all NEW storyline material.

Catching Kate is technically book two in the series and it should be read after Breaking Kate. This book is the main artery of the entire series. If you skip this story you are skipping a very important part of what brings these characters together and makes them who they are. In this story you will learn things aren't always what they seem. You'll realize there really are two sides to every story and what you thought you knew in Breaking Kate might not have been as black and white as it seemed.

I hope you'll read Catching Kate before reading Releasing Kate. Trust me it's worth it :)

Ashley Jasper says

I was anxious to get my hands on this after reading Breaking Kate. This is Michael or Mike's side of the story....

From the first installment of this series, I was #TeamDaniel 127% but was curious as to what happened to Mike. I still believe what he did was completely selfish. However, I love that we get a glimpse of the better side of him. The story follows from his childhood when he, Kate & Jess are all small children through the shocking conclusion of book one.

There were some moments that truly touched my heart. He was always the girls protector, from bullies on the playground to shattered hearts. We got to relieve the death of Kate's mom...that was a hard scene to get through and tore me up. They were so young but showed such a depth and love for one another even then. I also loved that we got to see more of his friendship with Jess. It made it easier to understand her devastation over the fallout of the relationship as well.

Overall, this was a great addition to the series. And while I'm still #TeamDaniel after reading this, I like Mike. I want him to find his happiness- I don't believe it should be with Kate!

Lou says

After reading book #1 Breaking Kate (which I loved) I was team Daniel! And after reading Catching Kate; which is all from Mike's POV I'm now Team...

Yup, you guessed it, I'm Team Daniel still!!!

Don't get me wrong I feel for Mike, I really do. But for me he was too much of a jerk at the start. Anyway I digress... Catching Kate my review...

As I've said this is written in Mike's POV, and it covers everything; from when Mike and Katherine first got together, when Mike's dad died and they split up, the years they spent apart, and after they bump back into each other.

When Mike's dad died he chose to listen to his mother accusations and react based on her side of what happened, he didn't give Katherine a chance to explain, as a result he behaved like a jerk and walked away from everyone who loved and cared about him. Breaking not just his and Katherine's hearts.

After this Mike spends 4 years trying various ways to forget what happened and trying to forget about Katherine. Those ways include various women, various forms of alcohol. Mike then manages to find a group of friends who tried to help him, took him in and formed some strong friendships.

The question is that now he's seen Katherine can those friendships remain? Who will lose?

This book has some seriously heart wrenching scenes. I may be Team Daniel but I'm not heartless, I feel for Mike I really do. He's been through some serious shit. But to treat Kate the way he did then think he can just waltz back into her life and expect her to run to him! It was great hearing Mike's side of the story and I really have enjoyed his POV.

Dee has a great writing style, it flows really easily. I found it easy to feel a part of the story and I could feel the emotion that Mike was feeling. It is obvious that Mike was completely in love with Kate, and he still is. After reading Catching Kate I feel as though I understand Mike more now and that Dee has tried to put Mike and Daniel on a more even level for book #2.

This series has been an emotional roller coaster ride and I have no doubts that with book #2 this will be any different. I can't wait to find out what happens with the issue that arose at the end of Breaking Kate.

Seriously though if you haven't read this series then I strongly advise reading Breaking Kate before reading Catching Kate!! I love this series and cannot wait for book #2!!

Eye Candy Bookstore says

This book is the “in-between” book that tells Mike’s POV of the things that happened before and during Breaking Kate. It goes back in time to tell us how Michael met Katie Grace and Jess, how he fell head over heels in love, and why he broke it off with Kate and left everyone in his life behind. Basically you’re getting the back story from Mike’s POV on everything leading up to the end of book one, even him meeting Daniel, Connor, and Jake. (Which gave me new love for their bro-mance) ;)

In case you didn’t know, I loved book one of this series! Sometimes, I am not a fan of (in-between) novellas, but this book was awesome and is very important to the series. It gives us a closer look at Mike, which is a really beneficial, especially because I kind of didn’t like him so much in book one. Now, after reading his POV, I am torn between the two guys, I think I might still be #TeamDaniel, but I am not sure....

This is an emotional book that will keep you wanting more and will completely make you change your mind on things you may have thought about Michael and Katherine’s romance and devastating end. I love reading Dee’s writing as she writes with passion and high emotion; it makes me fall in love with her characters.

If you have not read book one ---Breaking Kate, you are missing out, get it today you, must read it before reading Catching Kate. This is great original story that you’ll fall in love with. I can’t wait to see where the series takes us!

Reviewed by: Tonya Nichols @ Eye Candy Bookstore

Liza says

Received an ARC for an honest review

My heart goes out to Michael's woes but I'm still #TeamDaniel.

Catching Kate is a very essential part of the series. I love how D. Kelly put up the missing pieces of Mike and Kate's past and I must admit, I almost swayed on the other side of the fence.

Full of heart-wrenching scenes. This book is so hard to read because every thing that happened before the clusterfuck are so beautiful, almost perfect. D. Kelly has a way with drama that she made sure that her words will go straight in the readers' hearts.

And of course, one of the cliffhanger queens will keep you wanting for more. Catching Kate is a **MUST READ**. Breaking Kate, however, should be read first. Highly recommended to all the readers, faint heart or not, you'll cry, laugh with pickles and sombreros, and fall in love with the beautiful love story that is the Acceptance series.

Ashley Griffieth says

Wellllll, I started out this journey as #TeamDaniel. 110%!! No way was I going to let some lady pushing keys on a keyboard in Cali ruin my love for Daniel! But alas, something has happened since reading Catching Kate. Damn it. DAMN. IT.

I love Daniel, still. Really, I do. But I have a whole new respect for Mike. Maybe it's the sweetness we get from the beginning of the story... maybe it's the toughness that comes into play when things go south with Kate. Maybe it's the cockiness (AKA sexiness) that exudes from him as he ventures forth in healing his heart (err... body? ;))

I love that his story starts from the beginning and brings us up all the way to the point where Breaking Kate left off. I know it sucks that there isn't any more resolution to the ***BIG ISSUE*** BUT!!! You're going to enjoy following Mike through his escapades, and you're going to be left wondering if what you wanted to happen before is what you still want to happen now.

And then you'll sit and stare at your keyboard and wonder what kind Ms. Kelly uses and if yours has any special power to mess with people's heads that way! ***insert evil laugh*** And after you realize that your keyboard is lame, you can try to create some coherent thoughts to leave reviews and then find Ms. Kelly and join the group of us who love to hate her, plot her death and send her flowers to get well soon because we love her head games so much! **#GluttonForPunishment**

It's good guys, and you're going to ***WANT*** to be in the know here. I wasn't sure about the idea of a novella with no more resolution but I love having Mike and Daniel starting off book 2 sort of on an even keel.

Marie S says

Even though Catching Kate is a novella this is essential to the series and what is coming next. This a novella told from Mike's POV and I really enjoyed getting the story from the beginning. When I started reading it I entered being #TeamDaniel 100% and when I finish it, I was still on Daniel's team but Mike increased a lot

of points and respect on my part after get to know his story.

I loved this novella so much because it was nice to know more about Mike and he's background and also knowing more about his friendship with Jess. In this novella you get to know more about Mike, the real Mike and not the player you met at Breaking Kate.

Neilliza Swaffar says

Review copy given by author, in exchange for an honest review.

I'm glad that Author D. Kelley wrote this novella about Mike. I knew that Mike wasn't as bad, as everyone though after reading the first book, because of this book now everyone gets to see Mike like I did.

Mike was just young, confused and hurt, when he lashed out on Kate. Yes that is no excuse, but it is the truth. He was in so much pain after losing his dad, that he was not thinking straight about anything. After losing his dad and his mom bad mouthing Kate, he couldn't handle it. Instead of hanging on to Kate and apologize for the way he acted..he left instead. At that time, in his state of mind, that was the best for everyone. He found out later that it wasn't, he stayed broken no matter what he did. You see from this book what Mike went through and what was going through his mind when his dad died and why he left Kate. Why he stayed hidden for so long and how much his new friendship and family means to him. You will realized that Mike is only human, that he went through waves of emotions and growing up while away from Kate. He just never figured that when he was ready to come back, that Kate would fall in love with someone else. To make matters worse, she fell in love with his best friend Daniel. The turmoil that Mike went through is really sad and heartbreaking knowing what he will do everything he can to make it all better. Reading Catching Kate, just confirmed what I already knew about Mike after reading Breaking Kate. He is a sweet, caring guy, just too broken after his dad died to be in love or to stay the Mike that he was for Kate. He had to grown up and learn life, to realized what he really wanted in life. Now he has to figure out what's more important. To win Kate back, even if he could loose his best friend Daniel? Or give Kate and Daniel his blessings?..Until the next book..

Becky says

Ah, I love reading a book from a male's point of view. I always find it to be a refreshing change. I find it interesting to be able to get inside of a male's head and read what he is thinking and feeling. That could even be a little scary.

I found that spending the evening with Michael Matthews thoughts were very enlightening. He took us through his whole life starting at the age of seven years old with all of his ups and downs with his one true love Katherine Moore. They were childhood best friends, high school sweethearts and even each other's first lovers. Then when times got hard and he lost someone close to him he pushed Kate and everyone else who cared for him away. To me, it seemed like he didn't know how to deal with the pain and everybody from his past were always there reminding him of what he lost.

Michael has been on his own for almost four years. He can't find the nerve to go and speak to the family and friends he left behind. So, instead he finds other ways to help himself cope. Whether it's being lost in a

woman or even lost in a bottle of something. Nothing mattered as long as it helped him forget for the night. He always had a different girl who he would leave in the morning. Nobody could get close to his heart. Only one person had it and that's the way it was going to stay.

He became close to some guys that he met at a party one night after leaving home and he considered them not only to be his friends but his brothers as well. They took him in with open arms even though he was going through some past issues they never pressured him to talk. He always knew he could go to them when he was ready. No matter what. There were days when he was a complete jerk to them and he was afraid he would lose the only family he had left. It surprised Michael that they still stuck around. They were brothers for life.

He thought about Kate and his best friend Jess everyday for those past four years. They may have been out of his life but they were never forgotten.

One night at a party Michael finally sees Kate for the first time in years. Needless to say he was shocked and didn't know what to do. Then karma comes around and gives him a big kick in the butt and now he has no idea on what he is going to do with his life or who is going to have to hurt next. He wants Kate back but he is unsure if she still loves him and or wants to take him back.

Sandra Murphy says

I was given a copy for an honest review

This is the second book in the series and it should be read in order. I was afraid to read this book since its written in Michaels POV. I really wanted to hate him, but I wasn't sure if I would feel the same way after reading it. Oh boy, after reading it, I understand and I actually do feel for him. I can't say whose team I'm on now, I loved Daniel, but Michael definitely has a piece of my heart. This book really got to me, the emotions in it are so strong you can't help but feel the pain they all are going through. This was so well written I can't wait to read book 3 and see where this story goes.

Angie says

~I received a free copy of this book to read and review for Wicked Reads Review Team~

This book goes along with Breaking Kate and you should read that first. It gives us the story in Michael's point of view and what his hopes are from the outcome of the end of Breaking Kate. If you were on team Daniel at the end of Breaking Kate you might actually be on team Michael at the end of this book. I am still actually on the fence. This book was an amazing story, of loss, love, friendship and passion. There is a cliffhanger and we don't know what will happen next but I can't wait to read the next book. I can only hope I don't have to wait too long and I hope there aren't several books before there is finally a Happily Ever After!

Characters: The characters were well written, likeable and believable. They remind you of your own friends and family.

Sex: yes and holy crap on a cracker is it HOT

Religious: briefly mentioned

Would I recommend to others: yes

More than one book in the series: yes

Genre: Romance

Would I read more by this author: yes

~Wicked Reads Review Team~

Ruthie Taylor says

"I received a free copy of this book to read and review for Wicked Reads."

This tells Michael's side of the story which we read in 'Breaking Kate'. I was quite pleasantly surprised that it did give us a genuinely different perspective. The moving backwards and forwards through time worked well at keeping the plot fresh. Although I now like him more, I still don't think we know why he did what he did. And I am still rooting for Daniel to win her hand!

I do hope Ms Kelly is busy writing the next book now, so that all will be revealed.

Heidi Ryan says

I loved Breaking Kate, and this book is a great addition to that story. This author is really great at showing how all of the puzzle pieces work together. In this novella, we get to see how Mike fared through his separation from Kate. In the first book, we only get a glimpse of Mike, but in this one, we get to hear how they ended up with the same friends and why Mike did not come back sooner. I will probably always be a team Daniel fan, but I understand why there are team Mike supporters. This additional book brings a whole new level of depth to Breaking Kate. I cannot wait to see what happens next, but this is a great book to help through the wait. This book takes you through to where Breaking Kate ended. This is quickly becoming one of my favorite series. If you haven't read Breaking Kate, grab both books and strap in for the ride!
