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### Editorial Review

#### Amazon.com Review

**Amazon Best Books of the Month, July 2012:** Deborah Harkness burst onto the scene with her 2011 debut *A Discovery of Witches*, a book that introduced legions of fans to Diana Bishop, an Oxford scholar, and Matthew Clairmont, a handsome geneticist. Diana also happened to be a witch, and Matthew a vampire—and readers couldn't get enough of them, right up to the thrilling cliffhanger ending. Now *Shadow of Night* picks up where the first book leaves off, with Diana and Matthew entering Elizabethan London, where Mathew is part of the mysterious School of Night, a group that counts Christopher Marlowe and Sir Walter Raleigh among its members. Characterization, a great eye for detail, and a story that takes some notable twists and turns make this a great novel that will more than live up to eager fans' expectations. It's even better than the first. -- *Chris Schlueter*

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"This novel is as much a love story about a bygone era as it is about Matthew and Diana. It overflows with a colorful cast of characters, many of whom Harkness has plucked straight from the history books, and Harkness renders the late 1500s in exquisite detail. . . . The writing is so rich, the characters so compelling . . . and best of all, Harkness manages to execute with aplomb the act of answering old questions while posing new ones that will intensify anticipation for the final installment. Readers who have been counting down the days, take heart: The wait was most assuredly worth it." --"BookPage

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"Harkness delights in lining up the living dead and modern academic history. . . . This tale of a feminist Yankee in Queen Elizabeth's court charms amid the tumult, as the gifted heroine and her groom fight for generations and another sequel to come in order to protect the magical world that's all around us." "--

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"The author's fans will be thrilled to get the second installment of the All Souls trilogy. . . . Those who enjoy a well-developed world, lots of historical detail, and plenty of character development will find much to like."

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"Harkness has great fun and her background as a history professor gives her plenty of room to work with." --  
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Praise for "Shadow of Night"

"A captivating and romantic ripping yarn."

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#### About the Author

Deborah Harkness is a scholar and writer specializing in the history of science and medicine. She has received numerous awards, including Fulbright, Guggenheim, and National Humanities Center fellowships. Currently a professor of history at the University of Southern California, her most recent academic publication is *The Jewel House: Elizabethan London and the Scientific Revolution*. This is her first novel.

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