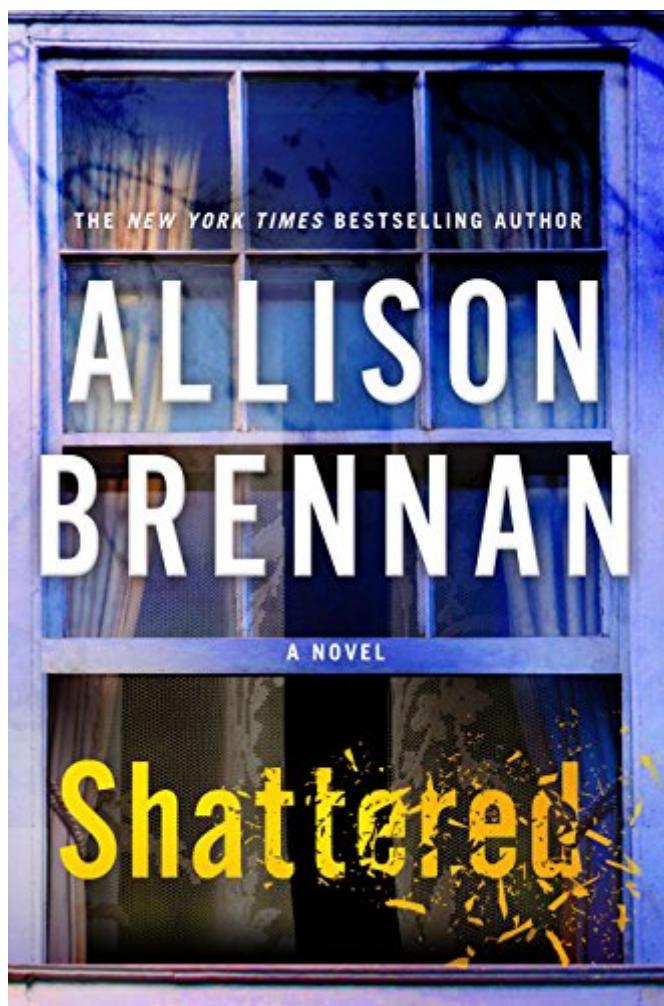


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# Shattered: A Novel (Max Revere Novels)



## Synopsis

New York Times bestseller Allison Brennan's two series collide in *Shattered*, a powerful, enthralling read about the craving for revenge and the desire for justice. Over a span of twenty years, four boys have been kidnapped from their bedrooms, suffocated, and buried nearby in a shallow grave. Serial killer or coincidence? That's the question investigative reporter Maxine Revere sets out to answer when an old friend begs her to help exonerate his wife, who has been charged with their son's recent murder. But Max can do little to help because the police and D.A. won't talk to her—they think they have the right woman. Instead, Max turns her attention to three similar cold cases. If she can solve them, she might be able to help her friend. Justin Stanton was killed twenty years ago, and his father wants closure—so he is willing to help Max with her investigation on one condition: that she work with his former sister-in-law—Justin's aunt, FBI Agent Lucy Kincaid. Trouble is, Max works alone, and she's livid that her only access to the case files, lead detective and witnesses depends on her partnering with a federal agent on vacation. She wants the career-making story almost as much as the truth—but if she gets this wrong, she could lose everything. Haunted by Justin's death for years, Lucy yearns to give her family—and herself—the closure they need. More important, she wants to catch a killer. Lucy finds Max's theory on all three cases compelling—with Max's research added to Lucy's training and experience, Lucy believes they can find the killer so justice can finally be served. But the very private Lucy doesn't trust the reporter any more than Max trusts her. Max and Lucy must find a way to work together to untangle lies, misinformation, and evidence to develop a profile of the killer. But the biggest question is: why were these boys targeted? As they team up to find out what really happened the night Justin was killed, they make a shocking discovery: Justin's killer is still out there—stalking another victim—and they already may be too late.

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## **Customer Reviews**

I couldn't imagine how you could balance such different characters or such different premises successfully but clearly I was totally wrong. It's a terrific story expertly written with respect for both characters. I think it shows how strong both central characters are that this book pares down a lot of the entourage of both 'worlds' and yet the characters come through just as strong. The more internal nature of Lucy's thinking maybe requires more from supporting characters but who can complain about more Dillion. The pace and the plotting incredibly good and the teasers going forward for each series even better. Can't wait for the next one from either series. Brilliant

I have really enjoyed the Max Revere novels, and I love the Lucy Kincaid novels. When I first read that Mrs. Brennan was writing a book that would have Max and Lucy working together on a very important cold case, the murder of Lucy's nephew 20 years ago...when Lucy was 7 years old, I was very excited. It was always so sad that the Kincaid family had no answers, and so many lives were changed. This story is amazing. These two women work together so much better than they thought they would. Of course, having Lucy's husband, Sean, and her siblings be part of this story adds to it as well. I am so glad I read it.

I'm not fully sure how I feel about this book. On the one hand, I LOVED the Max storyline and her personal growth in this installment of the series. On the flip side, much of the book I found myself calling Sean not so nice names (he was really a ridiculous jerk at times IMO), and several times found Lucy to be annoying (though by the end of the storyline she was sorta growing on me again).

I'm not going to give away any spoilers so suffice it to say that I cannot wait for the next Max novel, and I will read the next Lucy novel hoping to feel some of the magic from the earliest books in the series!

Yet again, another grand slam for Allison Brennan. Once again, she proves to be one of the best authors around! Her writing has that special something that grabs a reader and doesn't let go. Personally, I cannot put any of her books down until I've read the entire book. I have to admit that I was a little skeptical about Lucy and Max coming together. Two strong characters sharing a book just didn't seem like it would work. Wow, how wrong I was! I really enjoyed how both of them still got to shine and the mutual respect shown to each other was appreciated. I don't like to write about what the book is about, that's what the description is for... I merely like to put my two cents in about whether or not it's worth purchasing. If you haven't bought it yet or on the fence, what are you waiting for?

I have read both the Lucy Kincaid and the Max Revere series and this book combining the two was incredible. I had a hard time putting it down and when I finished it I felt as if I had run a marathon. Even if you have never read any of the books from either of these series, you need to read this one. It was a page turner. I loved that two of my favorite characters were brought together in this book. I hope that they run into each other again.

This is stand alone book, but it would be easier to read and understand if you had read the other books (as I have). So many characters and issues to follow. You owe it to yourself to go back to the beginning and read all of Brennan's books, you will not be disappointed. Their stories are great. You can thank me later. Great complicated read. 5 stars all the way

I truly wish that I could give this book more than five stars because it definitely deserves it. I like Max Revere and her books but I love the Lucy Kincaid books. Put these two ladies together and you have dynamite! Truly a fantastic, riveting book! If you have not read Allison Brennan's work, you are missing a fantastic treat.

I love both, Max Revere and Lucy Kincaid series and this book didn't disappoint. The plot is very intriguing and the characters well developed in previous installments keep growing personally. I was a bit sad about Max's decision at the end. I want to see her happy.

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