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There's nothing like home renovation for finding skeletons in the closet or otherworldly portals in the attic. Now here's the perfect treat for any homeowner who's ever wondered, 'What's that creaking sound?' (just before the ceiling comes crashing down!). Editors Charlaine Harris and Toni L. P. Kelner return with an all-new collection, this time on the paranormal perils of Do-It-Yourself.

As well as a brand-new Sookie Stackhouse story by the Number 1 Sunday Times bestselling author Charlaine Harris, there are 13 more cautionary tales of home renovation by bestselling authors Patricia Briggs, James Grady, Heather Graham, Melissa Marr, amongst others. This is an outstanding line-up of frightening and funny fixer-upper tales guaranteed to shake foundations and rattle readers' pipes.

This is the fourth anthology following on from Wolfsbane and Mistletoe, Many Bloody Returns and Death's Excellent Vacation.

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Marianne says

If I Had A Hammer is a short story in the Sookie Stackhouse series by popular American author, Charlaine Harris. Now that Sookie's best friend Tara and hubby J.B. du Rhone have twins (Robert Thornton and Sara Sookie), they need to do a little work on their house, the old Summerlin place, to make things more comfortable. Sam and Sookie have volunteered to help out. But their work uncovers a hidden article that unleashes an unhappy presence in the house. The twins' nanny, Quiana Wong (whom readers may recognise from The Blue Hereafter) has a certain ability that may allow her to help. A small but enjoyable dose of Sookie.

Kat says

Premise: Short stories about home improvements and the supernatural.

I am honestly very nearly speechless after finishing this book. I've read a lot of these UF story anthologies at this point. I know the authors that tend to pop up often, and generally I have my opinions on which ones I'm most likely to enjoy before I even read the stories based on my previous experience with these authors. I thought there were few surprises left for me. This anthology knocked my hubris down a couple of pegs then thumped me on the head for good measure.

These stories ranged *consistently* from fun to excellent, which is a real achievement. All of these collections seem to have at least one or two stinkers, and the more stories included, the more stinkers there tend to be. It's hard to find consistently good work, whether we're talking about my sophomores' English essays or a bunch of UF short fiction. Maybe it was just that the subject matter lent itself to more interesting stories, or that I actually didn't recognize some of the authors (meaning there's some new blood in there) and thus had no expectations, but I don't think there was a single stinker in the batch.

Mind you, none of it was grand literature (insert snobby voice complete with proper British accent), but it was all good stuff that kept me interested and reading. Some of it even made me smile or laugh while reading, while others had me more on the edge of my seat wondering what would happen next. All in all, this was a great collection that I'd recommend to any fan of the genre.

Some of the authors are pretty well-known, but all of the stories stand on their own very well outside of their respective series (at least as far as I can tell). There's a Charlaine Harris offering featuring Sookie Stackhouse that's decent. There's a Patricia Briggs story set in Mercy Thompson's world, but featuring a vampire instead of our favorite Walker. Those were really the only authors/series I was familiar with going in, but I know very soon I will be more familiar with the other series because I'm about to go hunting for them.

Cyndi says

One of the joys of reading a book of short stories is reading new authors. Or, rather authors I haven't read

yet. For instance "Squatter's Rights" by Rochelle Krich was good, but what I really love are the stories that introduce me to a cool series.

"Full-Scale Demolition" by Suzanne McLeod was part of what looks interesting, as well as "In Brightest Day" by Toni L. P. Kelner.

Unfortunately I didn't like all the stories so that held back my stars. But the few I did like were exceptional.

Ahmad Sharabiani says

Home Improvement: Undead Edition (Mercy Thompson World - Complete 0.4 - Gray), Charlaine Harris (Goodreads Author) (Editor), Toni L.P. Kelner (Editor), Victor Gischler, Patricia Briggs, Rochelle Krich, Heather Graham (Goodreads Author), James Grady (Goodreads Author), Melissa Marr (Goodreads Author), E.E. Knight (Goodreads Author), Seanan McGuire (Goodreads Author), S.J. Rozan (Goodreads Author), Stacia Kane (Goodreads Author), Suzanne McLeod (Goodreads Author), Simon R. Green

Melindeeloo says

If you thought remodeling your home was hell, you ain't seen nothing yet. Home Improvement the Undead Edition is a pretty varied collections of stories some urban fantasy and a few horror. Many of the authors here offer shorts connected to their long running series, which is fun for us fans. On the whole though, this is a pretty mixed bag, there are some stories that I just slogged through side by side with some that I really enjoyed. I found that my favorites on the whole were ones by authors that were already my favorites - well they are my favorites for a reason.

<<<-----These were my favorites----->>>>

"Through This House" by Seanan McGuire - a Toby Daye connected short. The first step in Toby's remodel of the Knowe she inherited, get the house to recognize her ownership - Liked this one, looks like a lot has happened to Toby since I read the first book, I really need to move the rest of the series to the top of the TBR pile

"Rick the Brave" by Stacia Kane - A Downside connected short. Electrician Rick is gonna earn his big paycheck during this Downside remodel - I enjoyed this one even though I've only read Kane's demons and not her Chess books. There's a bit of Chess and Terrible for Downside fans.

"Full-Scale Demolition" by Suzanne McLeod - A Spellcrackers connected short. A Pixie hunting gig, lands magical troubleshooter Genny in some scaly trouble - this one was really fun.

"The Brightest Day" by Tony Kelner - A woman contracted to raise the dead has to keep reanimating an architect's revenant or his final project will never be finished - The irreverent voodoo practitioner and the funny ending made for a humorous wrap up to the anthology.

<<<----These were pretty good too ----->>>>

"Gray" by Patricia Briggs - Seems to be set in another part of Mercy's world - A woman returns to rebuild her home - There was a nice amount of pathos to the setup and I liked the resolution, so this one worked for me.

"Blood on the Wall" by Heather Graham - A cult leader must now seek help from the detective he'd enjoyed harassing.

"The Strength Inside" by Melissa Marr - This one is suitably creepy but anyone who's had run ins with an Architectural Review board will appreciate the ending - Ok, creepy horror with humor, that I can handle - guess I am just twisted.

"It's All in the Rendering" by Simon Green - The Custodians of a multidimensional safe house must cut through the red tape when bureaucrats from more than one dimension demand improvements - Less bizarre than his usual fare, Green's offering still has enough of the feel of his offbeat style to entertain.

<<<-----These were okay, but didn't really grab me ----->>>>

"If I Had a Hammer" by Charlene Harris - A Sookie connected short. Even the easiest remodeling projects take on a life of their own as Sookie, Sam, Tara and JB are soon to discover - As much as I normally enjoy wandering through Sookieville, this one was just okay - now if Harris had Eric and Pam in on a remodel project that could have been really amusing.

"Wizard Home Security" by Victor Gischler - A wizard learns it's a mistake to skimp on a home security system, when magic is involved.

"The Path" by S J Rozan - A timid guardian spirit seeking to reclaim a lost artifact, will set another spirit free for its next turn on the 'wheel'.

"Woolsey's Kitchen Nightmare" by EE Knight - this one was really oddball, not sure where the house theme comes in though since basically there's a change in management to a restaurant that caters to clientele with very specific tastes - I was on the verge of being offended by the chef's 'special' which turned to be a made up character and not the real one who it was obviously based on.

<<<<-----These 'house of horrors' themed stories just didn't do it for me at all----->>>>

"Squatter's Rights" by Rocelle Krich - A couple moves into their new home, a home in which the past owners died, and now the wife is hearing noises...

"Mansion of Imperatives" by James Grady - Two couples can gain squatter's rights by spending some time in an abandoned house.

Ivy says

First off I want to confess that I only read four stories in this. The four stories were very good.

If I Had a Hammer was a very good story. Nice to meet the psychic babysitter, Quiana. I would think it would be creepy though to find a hammer behind a wall in your house. Also interesting to learn about the Wechsler's and the Summerlin's. Would be creepy to have psychic powers though, being able to be possessed and everything. Hope the house is okay now.

Gray was an interesting story. Glad that Jack is back as a ghost. Peter found out that Elayna is a vampire and that she killed the criminals that got acquitted. Hope Elyna will do fine in Chicago with a new Master of Chicago. What is a seethe? How long has Elyna been a vampire? RIP Colbert.

Through this House was a very enjoyable story. Glad Toby and the gang are cleaning up Goldengreen. Didn't really like the Bogies (I hate spiders). Glad the pixies and bogies are getting along with Toby though.

All I can say about Rick the Brave is hmmm. Not sure what I feel about this story. The people in this story have weird names: Terrible, Barrektop, Chess. I wonder who Chess is involved with. Terrible? Hmmm. All those ghost were really weird.

I wonder what it would be like to see a ghost. Probably would be very interesting.

Sharon ∞🐾 is an emotional book junkie 🐾∞ says

Only read the novellas listed below.

****Stacia Kane's Rick The Brave ~ 4 stars****

4 stars just for getting to read about Chessie and Terrible and....

"He's my family," she said finally. Quietly. "He's everything."

sigh...and its a cute, little story as well.

****Charlaine Harris' If I Had a Hammer ~ 3 stars****

This is about Sookie and Sam helping out Tara in a remodeling project. Nice story but nothing to get excited about.

****Patricia Brigg's Gray ~ 4 stars****

I really liked this story about a vampire dealing with her prior human life and could easily see this being developed into a full length story.

****Melissa Marr's The Strength Inside ~ 3.5 stars****

This is an interesting tale on "people" who are Bori trying to fit into the human world. Nice and just a little freaky.

Susana says

TW: Gigantic Spiders!

Well, I should probably write a review for this short story before I completely forgot what the thing was about!

So, this takes place a couple of books ago _ I've just finished volume nine _ when Toby was sent to open GoldenGreen's Knowe (you know, a fairy underground place?). Honestly don't read it out of order, or you'll miss a lot of the fun.

Thing is, as everything that happens in October's life, things are never as straightforward as one would expect.

The Knowe has been abandoned for so long, that it has become quite "difficult" to deal with.

Yes, I am referring to a physical location as having feelings...

Don't worry: It totally does. After all, it's located in Fairy.

What happens next is another adventure _although small, all things considered _ in the life of our Hero Toby.

And yes, it does involve gigantic _pony sized_ spiders!

Steven says

3/4/16

Through This House, October Daye #4.5

4 stars

Steven says

12/3/2013

I read the short story from the Sookie-verse, "If I Had a Hammer." 3 stars

Megan says

Since this is an anthology I figure I would give a quick review of each story.

If I had a Hammer by Charlaine Harris: Of course I loved reading this story because I love everything about Sookie Stackhouse and since I have just finished reading book 11 everything was like a continuation of that for me. It also had spirits in it which is a little different compared to what Sookie normally deals with i.e. werewolves, vampires, and shapeshifters.

Wizard Home Security by Victor Gischler: I really enjoyed reading this one I thought it was cute and

funny. It is about a wizard who gets a security system which ultimately backfires on him and he has to figure out how to fix things with only a small amount of spells left to use.

Grey by Patricia Briggs: This story was an excellent read, its about a girl who was changed into a vampire (not by choice) and she is scared and runs back home and ends up killing her husband. Though there is sadness in the story it has a happy ending (and I am a sucker for happy endings) I really want to read more books by this author in the future.

Squatters' Rights by Rochelle Krich: I enjoyed reading this story it was very good and spooky. I would have liked it to have a happier ending but not all endings can be happy. Definately a good ghost story.

Blood on the Wall by Heather Graham: I liked this story, its about a private investigator and a teenager geek who has a fake cult because it stopped the bullies from picking on him and has the girls chasing after him. But after one of the girls in his cult ends up murdered he is the one getting all the blame. And it had a good twist at the end of it.

The Mansion of Imperatives by James Grady: I thought this was a very interesting story, and really enjoyed reading it. As a bonus it ended exactly how I wanted it to end as I was reading it.

The Strength Inside by Melissa Marr: This is a neat story about two sister bori who have two young ones that they are trying to raise and mainstream with humans. It was very interesting to read because bori I have never heard or read about before. I am also looking forward to reading other books by this author.

Woolsley's Kitchen Nightmare by E.E. Knight: I thought this was a cute an comedic story about fixing up a resturant that was being run into the ground.

Through this House by Seanan McGuire: This is a neat story about a changeling (half human half fae) who gets the title to a place called Goldengreen. There are some supernatural creatures that I have never read about before like pixies, and bogies

The Path by S.J. Rozan: This was a good story about learning from your mistakes and changing yourself to become a better person to help others.

Rick the Brave by Stacia Kane: This story is about a guy named Rick who takes a crap job that no one wants to earn some extra cash ends up ghosts show up in large numbers and he has to help get rid of them. It was a good story and makes me want to check out some of the authors other books if I can ever make a dent in my reading list...

Full-Scale Demolition by Suzanne McLeod: I really liked this story, and I marked her other novels on my to-read list. I especially liked reading about the kelpie which is like a water horse that I have never read about before. There is also fairies, pixies and other creatures in it.

It's all in the Rendering by Simon R. Green I enjoyed reading this story, it was different and I liked it. Again it had supernatural beings that are new to me.

In Brightest Day by Toni L. P. Kelner I really liked this story it is about a girl who is a houngan and her job is to raise the dead to finish jobs that they didn't get a chance to do before they died.

Carolyn F. says

I read this story as part of the anthology Home Improvement: Undead Edition

It's been awhile since I read a Sookie book so this was really nice to read about her now. Even though I thought I'd everything out there this story was new. I liked it, I just wish the Sookie wouldn't be hypocritical where other people are concerned. Sookie even acknowledges it but is more like, "Oh well, that's how I think." Very good story. 4 stars.

Cathy says

Definitely one of the most successful anthologies I've read. Overall I really liked the home improvement theme, but I'm addicted to HGTV and DIY channels, so that was a given. I've also always liked cozy mysteries with DIY themes too. It's interesting that the editors chose to include so many straight mystery authors in this book. As far as I can tell, a number of these authors don't normally write mystical or fantasy books, but most of them did a great job with their stories. And cross marketing to different audiences is a really smart idea, since marketing is the purpose behind these anthologies, and as I've noted in the past, it really works. I've certainly added a number of authors to my to-read list in the past from reading anthologies, and I added a few from this one even though thrillers are not my normal cup of tea.

Harris - Takes place after book 11 in the Sookie series. Anyone who isn't a fan of the series probably won't be very interested, Harris didn't make any effort to introduce the characters or make it accessible to people who aren't already familiar with the background. On the other hand, she did go on and on about some family history of people I didn't care about at all. I know everyone in small towns knows everything about everyone else's families, but I didn't really want to read about it too. Anyway, it was better than most of her short stories, but fans who've been anxious about missing something about the series if they couldn't get a hold of the book don't have to worry, nothing important happened unless the new character who was introduced turns up in the main series. It was a good story but nothing stellar.

Gischler - a cute if predictable story about wizards and thieves. It was nice to have something that was straight fantasy for a contrast. The book has a lot of fun variety and this was one of the stories that provided nice balance.

Briggs - hugely successful, how she wrote such a substantive story in so few pages is beyond me. It was completely independent from her series but consistent with her lore about vampires. Also quite heart-tugging and terrific use of the theme.

Krich - a good, spooky story. I think she's normally a straight mystery writer, but she got a nice shot of horror in there. I liked the Jewish angle as well. The end was a bit odd, but interesting.

Graham - another substantive story. A bit florid in the wording sometimes, but fun. It doesn't seem to be part of a series, but could very well be the start of one and I'd read it if it was.

Grady - cool that he did it since this isn't his normal thing at all. It was a bit disjointed and confusing at

times, even considering the stream of consciousness style, but it had a nice haunting quality (no pun intended).

Marr - she took on one of the scariest things of all, the homeowners association! Good story.

E.E. Knight - ghoulish good humor.

McGuire - I thought it was a fun fit for the theme in a different way. I loved that it was part of the Toby Daye series and I think that it will be a good teaser for the series for people who haven't read it, but it's always so hard to tell these things.

Roza - another straight mystery writer, but this story was anything but, quite a departure from her usual from what I can tell. It was a really neat little mystical story with some Chinese historical and religious themes. I really liked the variety it added to the book.

Kane - a brilliant example of how to write a story from an ongoing series of books to be included in an anthology. This story is perfectly capable of standing on it's own, but will really satisfy fans of the Downside series as well. And if it doesn't intrigue newbies to read the downside series and find out more about Chess, Terrible and this fascinating world then I'll be terribly (ha ha) surprised. Kane really understood the purpose of writing for an anthology, both in marketing her series to old and new fans and just making sure that everyone who reads her story comes away happy. Smart lady! People who want to learn how to write successful story for an anthology as an outtake from their ongoing series should study this story.

McLeod - another very successful anthology story on the other side of the coin for me because I'd never read her work before. So I can attest to it standing on it's own and being intriguing enough that I wanted to (and did) immediately order more of her books. The story had a fun mix of fae and other fantastic creatures, including mythological critters.

Green - a terrific opening paragraph, just perfect on it's own, it made me nervous that the story couldn't possibly live up to it. But it was a cute story too. Green often over does it with crazy critters and his own creativity, but this was a solid story as well.

Kelner - a very solid story. I think she's normally a straight mystery writer as well, right? But she wrote a story about red-headed, freckled, sassy hounigan that was really enjoyable and a great back anchor for the book. Dodie was very likable and fully-fleshed for such a short story. I bet her mysteries have a lot of humor with the suspense, I'm looking forward to trying them.

Overall it was a very successful anthology and a terrific editing job, Harris and Kelner did wonderful work. I enjoyed every single story. And I really enjoyed the mix of elements, from traditional fantasy to a taste of spooky horror to Chinese mysticism to quite a bit of humor and suspense. I usually do not like shorter stories very much at all so having so many enjoyable stories all in one book is a great surprise, thanks ladies!

Carolyn F. says

I read this as part of the anthology Home Improvement: Undead Edition

A strange story that I think the author was trying to make scary but didn't really succeed. 2 stars.

Merged review:

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Cute story about a Sidhe who's job is to round up fae that are causing a commotion. There's a kelpie that the heroine is attracted to if she can get beyond the kelpie tendencies to drown people. Throw in a couple of lamias and children to rescue - it should have been a lot of fighting but mostly it was getting hit, passing out and then waking up. (Another book I'm reading has the same passing out theme. A little frustrating.) 3-1/2 stars

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A wizard is robbed, pays for security, is trapped by the security and then thwarts the robber. Super short. 3 stars.

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This couple lives and works in a sanctuary house for the normal and paranormal world. Both sides inspect the home and say all kinds of changes need to be done. The couple and the guests discuss different options, end up doing nothing and that's what works. What the frick!? 2 stars

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Anthology The rating I'll round up to 3 but only a few of the stories were worth reading

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and then thwarts the robber. Super short. 3 stars.

3. Gray, Patricia Briggs: (Mercy Thompson universe). A very good story about a female vampire who moves back home hoping to find some peace. 4 stars.

4. Squatters' Rights, Rocelle Krich. A story about a house with a bad history and how that affects the new owners. I have no idea what was going on with the "squatters". 2 stars.

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6. The Mansion of Imperatives, James Grady. A strange story that I think the author was trying to make scary but didn't really succeed. 2 stars.

7. The Strength Inside, Melissa Marr. Sisters and the children they take care of are trying to improve their home and use unconventional (or should I say ancient) methods to do so. Strange story. 3 stars.

8. Woolsey's Kitchen Nightmare, EE Knight. Morbid and flippant don't usually go together and they don't in my opinion. 2 stars.

9. Through This House, Seanan McGuire (October Daye #4.5) A good story about Goldengreen and some of the horrors that took place there. 4 stars

10. The Path, S J Rozan. I really tried to read this story but it was soooo slooowww. I just gave up. No rating.

11. Rick the Brave, Stacia Kane (Downside #5.5) I miss Terrible and Chess! Please Stacia Kane, write another book in their series!!! This is a short story about a home improvement project that goes bad. 5 stars.

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14. In Brightest Day, Tony Kelner. The author was trying to write humor for the main character or at least make her humorous. To me, it didn't work. And bringing back the same guy over and over was really cruel. The reason didn't seem enough for me. 2 stars.

Sarah says

I'm not going to mark this as read or give it a rating because I've only read a couple of the stories so far. I do intend to finish it one day though so I'll come back and add notes for the other stories as I read them.

Gray - Patricia Briggs - 4 stars

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Gray is a short story that can also be found in the **Shifting Shadows** anthology (which is where I read it) and it takes place before **Moon Called**. It introduces us to characters that, so far, haven't appeared in the rest of the Mercy Thompson world. Elyna was kidnapped by vampires and turned by accident 80 years ago leading to a terrible tragedy. Now she has returned to her home and is looking to make up for the sins of her past. This was a bitter sweet story, one that left me feeling more than a little heart broken for Elyna and her husband but that did have a weird kind of happy ending.

Through This House - Seanan McGuire - 4 stars

Read 22nd August 2017

Through This House is a short story that is set between **Late Eclipses** and **One Salt Sea** and it definitely contains spoilers so I wouldn't recommend even reading this review if you've not that far into the series!

The Goldengreen Knowe has been empty since the death of Countess Evening Winterrose but now that Toby has been handed the reigns she needs to open it to make a home for Lily's subjects. If she can just get Goldengreen to accept her it should be a fairly simple job so she recruits May, Quentin and Danny to help her make the place liveable again. Unfortunately things aren't quite what they seem and the knowe has already accepted new inhabitants, ones who aren't quite so keen on letting Toby and her friends move in.

This is such a fun story and I enjoyed every minute of it. May, Quentin and Danny are some of my favourite side characters in the series and any time they're on hand to help Toby you just know chaos will ensue so you can expect some madcap antics in this one. Toby definitely gets more than she bargained for when she finds herself negotiating with the current pixie and bogie residents and it was really interesting to see just how sentient that the knowe actually is.
