



Frank Beddor

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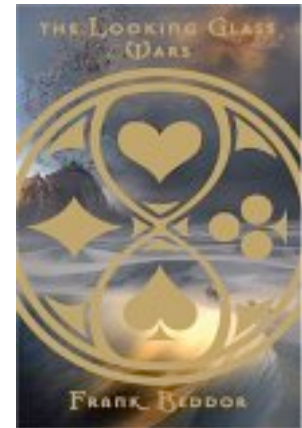
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The Looking Glass Wars: A New Look at a Classic--Remember that old classic **Alice In Wonderland** by Lewis Carroll? You've read the book; you've seen the movie. Well, Frank Beddor has officially pushed Alice and her endearing gang of friends and foes down the rabbit hole and into a world that will definitely appeal to the 21st century reader with his new book, **The Looking Glass Wars**.

Frank Beddor--actor, champion skier and big-time movie producer--uses war and murder as the real catalysts that drive Alyss down the rabbit hole, not an irritating sister like Carroll led us to believe. We meet Alyss on her seventh birthday, just the age a princess begins her training to become queen, when her Aunt Redd orders her slaves to cut off the Wonderlandians heads and destroy Wonderland. Redd then pushes Alyss down the looking glass and Alyss' adventures begin. She ends up on the streets of England where she is a street-kid and then an orphan but she never forgetting Wonderland.

The Looking Glass Wars is not the conventional recycle of the Alice in Wonderland idea seen in so much of contemporary pop culture. Beddor completely revamps the characters. The White Rabbit is not cute and worrisome but a fighting machine going by the name of Hatter and Alyss is not a disobedient little girl but an intelligent woman able to take back Wonderland.

Frank Beddor's **The Looking Glass Wars** is an interesting read; there's lots of action and new and interesting characters are added all the time. Luckily, this book is not too similar to the story of Lewis Carroll to become annoyed by changes and it does has great imagery.

It's the first book of a trilogy and may even be made into a movie so don't miss out.

JIVE Magazine Rating: 4 mysterious rabbit holes out of 5

<http://www.lookingglasswars.com/>

About the Author

Frank Beddor spent three years researching the details of Alyss's world before he even wrote one word of his trilogy. He is fiercely committed to getting the truth out there. The producer of the hit comedy *There's Something About Mary*, Frank lives and works in Los Angeles, California.

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