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### Editorial Review

From School Library Journal

Gr 9 Up—Sonya has a rare talent: she can feel, both physically and emotionally, those around her. With this talent brings the responsibility of becoming the Sovereign Auraseer for the Imperial Majesty, Valko. Sonya travels to Torchev with Anton, the heir to the throne and younger brother to Valko. Sonya is thrown into learning her new role, balancing court life and rules for the first time, all the while trying to discern if someone is really attempting to assassinate Valko. While observing, Sonya finds herself conflicted as she is drawn to Anton, and whether he has the best interests in mind for his country over his brother. Does she betray Anton? Does she side with the Uprising? Or does she honor her duty as Sovereign Auraseer, despite her nature telling her it is not the best interest of the people of Torchev? Filled with mystery and intrigue, betrayal and passion, Purdie's political debut will sweep readers away to a world that is not that different from their own. Characters are richly developed, leaving teens with a sense of who they are and where they stand in this well-paced story. The ending comes to a satisfying resolution, with a hint of a further installment. VERDICT For libraries whose patrons clamor for additional high fantasy tales, this start of a new trilogy will fit the bill.—Stephanie Charlefour, Wixom Public Library, MI

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“Dark, intricate and utterly immersive, *Burning Glass* will take you on a journey you’ll never forget. Heart-pounding action meets deadly intrigue and aching romance, drawing you deep inside a story full of complex questions.” (Amie Kaufman, New York Times bestselling co-author of the award-winning *These Broken Stars*, *This Shattered World* and *Illuminae*.)

“Richly imagined, compelling, and darkly romantic, this book will leave you begging for more!” (Sara B. Larson, author of the *Defy* trilogy)

“I feel like *BURNING GLASS* has catered to all of my YA book needs: Russian-flavored fantasy, a neat but not overly complicated magic system, a flawed but wonderful heroine, and the only kind of love triangle I can enjoy (one involving competing brothers!)” (Allison Senecal, Old Firehouse Books)

From the Back Cover

Sonya was born with the rare gift to feel what those around her feel, both physically and emotionally—a gift she’s kept hidden from the empire for seventeen long years. But when a tragic accident pushes her into the spotlight, Sonya is hauled off to the palace and forced to serve the emperor as his sovereign Auraseer.

Tasked with sensing the intentions of would-be assassins, Sonya is under constant pressure to protect the emperor. But Sonya’s power is untamed and reckless, and she can’t always decipher where other people’s impulses end and her own begin. In a palace full of warring emotions and looming darkness, Sonya fears that the biggest danger to the empire may be herself.

As she struggles to wrangle her abilities, Sonya seeks refuge in her tenuous alliances with the charming-yet-volatile Emperor Valko and his idealistic younger brother, Prince Anton. But when threats of revolution pit the two brothers against each other, Sonya must choose which brother to trust—and which to betray.

Steeped in intrigue and treachery, debut author Kathryn Purdie's stunning new fantasy trilogy captivates with heartrending romance, dangerous magic, and one girl's quest for redemption.

I couldn't say what urged me to show this stranger I was more than the pitiful girl staring back at him. I was. At least as far as he should believe. I pulled my spine erect, elongated my neck, and met his stare with every ember of fire burning within me.

*Dare to think of me what you will*, I hoped the look I gave him said. *I am Sonya Petrova. And I am not broken.*

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