

Subject: Kirkus review of RttW

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Henry Kaiser — 17 Dec 2000, 11:53

re: Kirkus review of RttW

Also, this time, Wolfe provides
a typically elusive recap and update guaranteed to disconcert readers
not already perplexed--

hmmm, no recap & update in the bound advance that I read.....

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H. Kaiser

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Michael Andre-Driussi — 17 Dec 2000, 13:08 · follows Henry Kaiser

Henry Kaiser, he quoted Kirkus the bile & wrote:
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Right, well that's because Kirkus says that you and your ilk are not "mere mortals"! Whoo-hoo!

If such a big deal is to be made of the labor, I'm surprised the duct didn't just say "the conclusion of a seven book series" or even "the climax (?) of a twelve book series," and then link Wolfe's Briah to Robert Jordan's huge series (alga and Patrick O'Leary and I all remember WFC Monterey and the fight that broke out over the issue of devoting review space to the nth-volume in a huge series). (And oh, those hard words in TBOTNS!!)

Probably wanted to, but ran out of space! Oh well, lump of coal for Kirkus; another candidate for future humor in "Rotten Reviews."

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