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Now available for the first time ever as an e-novella, *New York Times* bestselling author Judith McNaught's short historical romance *Miracles*—which ties up ends left open in the Westmoreland Dynasty Saga—is available for the first time ever as a standalone e-novella.

In Regency London, world-weary lord Nicki du Ville receives an outrageous proposal from Julianna Skeffington, who is Sheridan Bromleigh's charge from *Until You*.

## Miracles Details

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### Sabrina (Soter) Sally says

Onestamente non posso dare più di 3 stelline perché nonostante la bravura della regina del romance di comprimere in così poche pagine una storia tutto sommato coerente e completa resta il fatto che proprio la brevità rende tutto superficiale e fin troppo veloce XD Molto carino l'epilogo con la nonna e imbarazzante a tratti l'ingenuità di Julianna, che per essere una che si vanta di aver studiato molto sembra del tutto ignara delle regole della società O.o Piccola nota: dalla sinossi sembra che Julianna non sappia chi sia il misterioso gentiluomo che incontra nel buio della notte....ma in realtà lo sa benissimo ecco perché chiede proprio a lui di rovinarla XD

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### Sangria says

Some spoilers ahead so beware...Oh Nikki.

Okay, first, Hurray all her books on on Amazon in e format!

But alas, this was the one book she could of written that I didn't want to be a novella or so short and it did indeed feel rushed. So lets get to it, Julianna was the ward that Stevens wife was coming for. That didn't happen obviously if you read that story. So Julianna is this writer and independent thinker because of her grandmother. He grandmother passes away but our h has lived on in the simple life ideals of her.

Unfortunately for her, her mother is atrocious. Downright awful. Forcing a marriage, forcing her way into the ton, etc. Everyone hates the mom and Julianna couldn't give two cows, she wants to write, live small off her inheritance in London. Her mother uses Julianna to buy a season. I felt bad for her here she really thought she was going to escape. Alas, her Mother does everything she can with the connection Julianna has to the Westmorelands to trudge her way into the ton. It doesn't work, they HATE the mother. Honestly with good reason.

At the last week of the season, Valerie (Nikki our H's on again off again widow mistress) hosts a masquerade and Julianna attends and comes up with the idea of getting herself ruined. She meets Nikki in a maze, etc, he accepts, and it all falls apart. She changes her mind, runs out, right into her Mother and an audience. Well of course Nikkis the most wanted man in England so her Mothers thrilled.

So you can imagine....this is early England above all. Not only will Julianna be ruined, so will Nikki be called into question over being a gentleman. So....he marries her. Its awful, hes awful. Shes heartbroken. Its a disaster.

Heres where this short book disappoints. JM puts a lot of time into one chapter telling us what comes next, how awful Nikki treats her, he basically dumps her off at his estate and doesn't even consummate the wedding. Hes just horrid. I know right? Our Nikki from the other books? No way, this just couldn't be what I was reading, it didn't feel right for his character.

Fast Forward three months of being deserted, its Christmas, his mothers in ill health, they spend a week together pretending to be a happy couple for her sake, although we don't get to hear much of it, because

again this is a fast book, and then his intention as soon as the parents leave is to desert her AGAIN. Good god.

So she gives him as a gift some letters, like a diary, that she had continued writing to her grandmother, and alas youll have to read them and see what happens, but its all over quite quickly. I wont leave the ending.

But I will say this, THAT was where the book SHOULD of started. In fact after getting thru all of that I could of read at least another 100 pages to find out exactly how that epilogue actually got to that point! All right mini rant over. JM is one of my all time favorite authors, Almost Heaven and Kingdom of Dreams are books I go back and read again and again. I wasn't crazy about Stephon and Clayton Westmoreland, but I was all about Nikki in those books so you can imagine my vast and utter disappointment for his story and my longing for how much better it could of been. He deserved a full length novel. So I would tell you going into this book, its not. 4 stars obviously because of the writing and the period history is spot on. But oh, Ive never had a book read where I just wanted so much more!

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### **Helena says**

Nicki was one of my favourite characters in the previous books therefore I expected a lot from this one. Unfortunately, he was transformed into a typical historical-romance-male-protagonist. I thought Julianna was very brave at the beginning but, just like Nicki, she was turned into this stupid woman I didn't really care for.

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### **Océano de libros says**

Julianna Skeffington está harta de la presión de su madre por que se comprometa en matrimonio, la joven lo que desea es vivir en soledad y dedicarse a su pasión, la escritura y para conseguirlo se propone su propia ruina.

Un relato corto perteneciente a la saga Westmoreland con los personajes que hemos conocido en anteriores libros: Julianna y el famoso liante Nicholas Du Ville. La verdad es que me ha decepcionado por muchos aspectos, creo que se merecía mayor extensión porque en esas poco más de cien páginas no da para desarrollar bien una historia, la autora no lo logra. Otra decepción son los personajes, Julianna se escapa porque tiene más protagonismo pero Nicholas continúa pareciéndome poco agradable igual que en anteriores libros.

En definitiva, Miracles no le hace justicia a los libros que llevo leídos de la autora, creo que se merecía más protagonismo y mejor desarrollo de la historia.

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### **Irene Sim says**

This story is a brush off of Nickolas DeVille character. I've been waiting in the last two books for his turn to find his HEA and that's what I got? 74 pages and I had reached the middle and they haven't even met yet!

Nicki is one of my most favorite characters in the series and he deserves a full story.

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**Chantal ♥? says**

## **5 FALLEN ANGEL STARS**

**For those of you that have followed Judith McNaught's Westmoreland saga, this is Nicholas DuVille's story.**

***Yes, Nicki finally gets his own story.***

We are introduced to this character in JM book entitled Whitney, My Love. As he was a possible suitor for the elusive Whitney. He is a Frenchman and a very respected member of the French gentry.

He is too handsome by far and too accustomed to getting his own way.

To him, women are a game and he just loves playing with them. Tying with their affection and leaving them wanting more.

Until, one day he is inadvertently caught in his own trap, as he sets out to seduce a young innocent called Julianna Skeffington. (Whom you may remember from Until you. She was Sherry's charge)

When they are caught in a compromising position, hero is forced to do the right thing and marry this sweet angel.

Now the plot develops from there, as these two would be lover attempt to save their pride and try guarding their hearts from possible pain.

Their story is one that will have you going

Personally, I was so happy when I saw that Nicki got his own story but I was a little disappointed that it was only a novella. He really would have made a fantastic novel.

Also, I really miss JM books and most specifically her historical romances.

I really wish she would write another.

Perhaps one day.

A lady can dream, Non?

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**?lkim says**

Judith novella yaz?nca bi garip oluyormu?. Kad?n novellada bile üç ay ayr? b?rakt? karakterleri, bu huyundan vazgeçemiyor anlad?m ?

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**Bwmurf says**

This was too short and rushed.

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### **Hollis says**

McNaught has a serious preoccupation for turning heroes into zeros.

Both Nicki and Julianna deserved better but as this was a novella at least it wasn't dragged out. The only miracle here is that there isn't more to endure.

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### **Shari Kay says**

Not sure I want to mess with my nice memories of Nikki

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### **Hildy says**

I was so frustrated with this novella because why the HECK would she give Nicki only 70 pages? He so deserved 400 pages like everyone else. I know he's not a Westmoreland but come ON! This really could have been a great full length novel. I liked what I read but it was so rushed and not nearly detailed enough.

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### **Renee says**

The primary reason why I hate novellas--they are too short! There's no time to get to know the character or for any kind of in depth plot development to take place. Fortunately, if you've read any of the Westmoreland saga books, you've met Nicki and probably love him as I do! Unfortunately, he does not get the story he deserves, just a few paltry lines that take only about twenty minutes to read through. Julianna, too! Introduced in *Until You*, she is such a sweetheart! I'm actually pretty upset by this whole thing. I needed them both to get a hefty 500 page story like the Westmorelands did. They were the most likeable characters in the entire series. I mean, it's nice they got a happy ending, but their journey to that point would have been so fabulous, I feel, given some more time!

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### **Tejchy says**

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### **Anita says**

*Miracles* is a novella that was first published in the anthology *A Holiday of Love* in 1994. It is not a new work, but it is a timeless one. It is the story of Julianna Skeffington, the charge of Sheridan Bromleigh from *Until You*. This is also the story of Nicholas du Ville friend and confidant of the Westmorland ladies and the

bane of their husbands existence. Nicki was "the other man", but only as a close and dear friend. My only wish is that this could have been a full length novel. It is a true testament to the strength and power of Judith McNaught that these books are as good today as the day they were published.

World-weary lord Nicki du Ville is tired of the games played by the "ladies" of society. He comes across a slightly inebriated Julianna Skeffington and receives an outrageous proposal. Julianna doesn't quite get what she had in mind and the outcome was definitely not what she envisioned.

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### **Alonsita says**

Kratka, ali slatka, povijesna, romanti?na pri?ica.

Julianna koja se nikako ne ?eli udati upoznaje fatalnog Nicholasa, ljubitelja ?ena, koji privu?e njezinu pa?nju. No ne odvija se sve onako kako bi trebalo.

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