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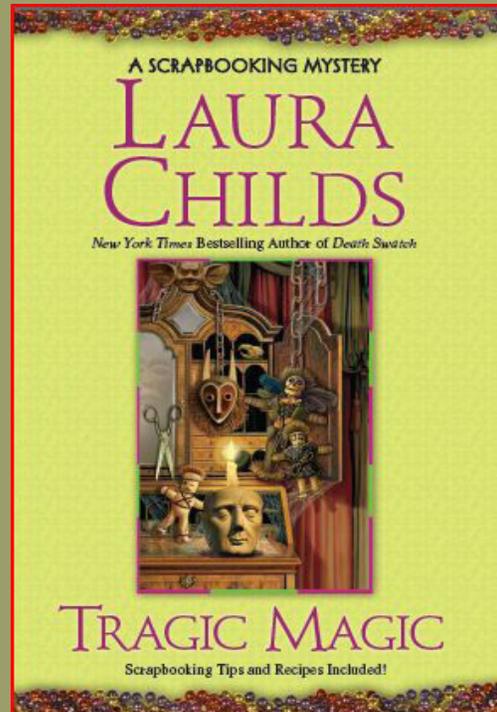
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**Fall Fiction Fun With
Scrapbook
Mystery Author**

LAURA CHILDS

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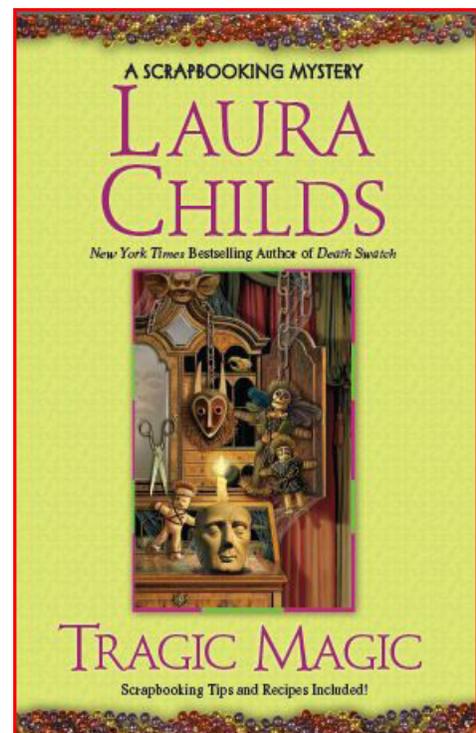
Curl Up With a Good Book!

by Lynn Mercurio

Now that there is a distinct feel of autumn in the air, it's time to curl up with a good book. Since we began sharing books of interest with *Stamping Lifestyle* readers, it's become apparent that many crafters share a love for reading. The creative mind loves to be whisked away into the mind of an author as he or she takes us on adventures into the world of romance, drama, crime and fact-based books.

In the July 14th issue of *Stamping Lifestyle Magazine*, we shared with you an interview with best-selling author, Laura Childs, in which she spoke about two of her scrapbooking mysteries she had written, *Frill Kill* and *Death Swatch*. Recently, Laura shared with me that she has a new scrapbooking mystery that will be released October 6th. To my great surprise, Laura mailed me an advanced reading of *Tragic Magic*.

After reading the very first paragraph, I was totally drawn in. It's full of spooky intrigue and a murder with a little romance thrown in—all the elements that always pique my interest. Two friends, Carmela, the owner of a scrapbook store, and Ava, owner of Juju Voodoo, are converting an old mansion in New Orleans into an unforgettable haunted house when the unspeakable happens. This event leads them onto a path that neither could imagine.



Laura Childs

I loved the references to many of the well known locations in the French Quarter of New Orleans and the eerie feel of old-world charm that makes that area so famous. The scrapbooking tips and traditional New Orleans recipes in the back of the book are fantastically fun additions. Even if you have never visited the Big Easy, the adventures of Carmela and Ava will keep you under their spell and totally mesmerized, and things may not turn out as you expect.

How would you like to win your own autographed copy of *Tragic Magic*?

Laura Childs has graciously agreed to give away autographed, hard-back copies of her newest mystery to four lucky members of StampTV. Are you ready for a little mystery and intrigue in your life? If you would like a chance to win, just leave a comment on the thread posted in the "special giveaways" forum at www.stampstv.com!

You can see all the books written by Laura Childs by visiting www.laurachilds.com.

If you're looking for other interesting titles to curl up with this fall, be sure to check out the thread "Book Readers Unite" at:

<http://stampstv.ning.com/forum/topics/book-readers-unite?page=5&commentId=2675175:Comment:203249&x=1#2675175Comment203249>

(Copy and paste the above link into your address bar.)

This thread is filled with many book titles and reviews from die-hard readers.

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They are looking for all kinds of cards, from birthday cards to holiday cards.

This is a great way to use your creative talents to brighten the day of members of our military and the families who love and support them.

So, next time you sit down at your stamp table and you're not quite sure what to make, whip up a card to send to Operation Write Home.