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## Editorial Review

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Gr 10 Up-Set in 1920s New York City, this literary tour-de-force from Printz Award-winner Bray offers grand themes, complex characters, and suspense. After her secret gift for divining information from objects lands her in trouble, 17-year-old Evangeline O'Neill is sent from Ohio to live with her uncle, who runs a museum specializing in folklore and the occult in Manhattan. Evie is a quintessential flapper: not really bad, but rebellious and yearning to fly free of her Babbitt-like existence. Although she starts out her new life like the party girl she was back home, her pursuits become more serious when her uncle is asked to help solve a series of strange murders. She crosses paths with Memphis Campbell, a black numbers runner in Harlem, whose power to heal by laying on hands failed him when he tried to save his mother. Other characters include a homosexual composer who meets people in dreams, a Ziegfeld girl with a past, a pickpocket searching for his family, and a young research assistant with his own secrets. Bray develops each of these characters and their gifts, gradually bringing them together in a chilling and thrilling battle with Naughty John, a paranormal serial killer. Over the course of the novel, people (mainly good) smoke, drink, and use other illegal substances. These peccadilloes are contrasted with the values of the hellfire-and-brimstone cult that spawned Naughty John. The compelling and dramatic supernatural plot explores self-actualization, predestination, the secrets everyone hides, and, of course, good versus evil. An absolutely terrific read and, thankfully, the first in a planned series.-Nina Sachs, Walker Memorial Library, Westbrook, MEα(c)  
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Review

**A Publishers Weekly Best YA Book of the Year**

**A School Library Journal Editor's Choice**

**A Kirkus Best YA Book of the Year**

**A Top Ten Amazon Best Book of the Year for Teens**

**A Library Journal Best YA Book for Adults**

**An Andre Norton Award for Young Adult Science Fiction and Fantasy Finalist**

"*The Diviners* delivers an addictive and terrifying story of young New Yorkers investigating a rash of occult-based murders. Bray sustains a breathless energy throughout this ambitious series-starter, deftly evoking the exuberance of 1920s city life and the evil lurking beneath it." **?Entertainment Weekly**

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? **The Horn Book**

About the Author

Libba Bray is the author of the *New York Times* bestseller *Beauty Queens*, the 2010 Printz Award-winning *Going Bovine*, and the acclaimed Gemma Doyle trilogy. She lives in Brooklyn, New York. Visit her at [www.libbabray.com](http://www.libbabray.com).

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