



## REVIEWS FOR BOOK ONE

It's a murder mystery with a nod to historical fiction and interwoven with elements of the paranormal. The result is a compelling read, which has the air of literary fiction at times. Kudos to Ireland for capturing the allure, passion and drive of the acting profession. It's hard to describe the magic that happens on stage, the exhilaration and pleasure derived from the magic, but Ireland does it well. ~ **Cheryl M-M's Book Blog** <https://mmcheryl.wordpress.com/2019/05/06/blogblitz-a-walking-shadow-by-elizabeth-ireland/>

You can tell the author is intimately familiar with the theatre as her descriptions are detailed, but in a way that makes the entire story come to life. Even I, who has never had any interest in theatre, found myself wanting to immerse myself in this world. And WOW – that climax. I can't really say much without giving too much away but let me just say that the climactic confrontation was intense. I don't know if I've ever read so fast – I just NEEDED to find out what happened. And it was just incredible pacing – the description will leave you breathless. ~ **book frolic** <https://www.bookfrolic.com/book-reviews/a-walking-shadow-by-elizabeth-ireland-blog-tour/>

I was engrossed from the very start by this exciting and original novel. It cleverly entwines fiction, the paranormal and actual historic events (namely the Great Chicago Fire of 1871). It's thus very rich and incredibly atmospheric. ~ **Books Are Cool** <http://www.booksarecool.com/2019/walking-elizabeth-atmospheric/>

An engrossing mystery with a touch of the supernatural, *A Walking Shadow* is a book that will grip readers from the off and keep them mesmerized until the very last full stop. A compelling tale of ambition, revenge, death and desire, *A Walking Shadow* shocks, delights and tantalizes and will hold readers spellbound as they find themselves consumed by this thrilling and gripping historical mystery.

Elizabeth Ireland is a wonderful writer with a tremendous storyteller gift and I look forward to reading more installments in her fabulous series, *Backstage Mysteries*. ~ **Bookish Jottings** <https://bookishjottings.wordpress.com/2019/05/08/a-walking-shadow-by-elizabeth-ireland-blog-tour-review/>

The murder mystery with paranormal aspects is really fantastic. I love how it gently draws you in and keeps your attention all the way through. This is the first in the series and I am really looking forward to reading the rest! Highly recommended!

~ **Jessica Belmont** <https://jessicabelmont.wordpress.com/2019/05/09/blog-tour-a-walking-shadow-elizabeth-ireland/>

...once we got into the heart of the story, it was a real page-turner, and although I did pick up an inkling as to who the guilty party might have been, I didn't grasp the full ending until the big reveal – just how I like it! And as a fan of 'The Scottish Play', I loved the quotes at the start of each chapter too. ~ **Historical Fiction with Spirit** <https://jenniferwilsonwriter.wordpress.com/2019/05/07/book-review-elizabeth-ireland-a-walking-shadow/>

The book is well written and I thought that the story was very well planned out and really enjoyable, it has a great flow to the story and I found it to be quite addictive. This is the first book in the Backstage Mystery Series and I think it is an excellent start to the series! **Donnasbookblog** <https://donnasbookblog.wordpress.com/2019/05/07/blogtour-bookreview-for-a-walking-shadow-by-elizabeth-ireland-thebackstagemysteries-rareresources-awalkingshadow/>

This was a gentle mystery which draws you in. You can tell that the author has a passion for the theatre and her extensive knowledge helps make the story authentic. If you like historical mysteries with a touch of supernatural than this is a series for you. With two more in the series I cannot wait to see where this series takes me. ~ **Terror Tree** <http://terror-tree.co.uk/2019/05/a-walking-shadow-backstage-mystery-book-1-by-elizabeth-ireland/>

Readers are given a real insight into theatrical life; the various egos at play, the enduring superstitions and the terrifying, compelling exhilaration of being on stage. It effortlessly evokes the attitudes and societal mores of the time and the incorporation of actual events works really well and offers further drama towards the end of the novel. I thoroughly enjoyed *A Walking Shadow*, it is an engrossing supernatural murder mystery interlaced with engaging historical fiction and I look forward to reading the next story in the series, *Foul Deeds Will Rise* very soon.

~ **Hair Past A Freckle** <https://hairpastafreckle72.blogspot.com/2019/05/a-walking-shadow-by-elizabeth-ireland.html>