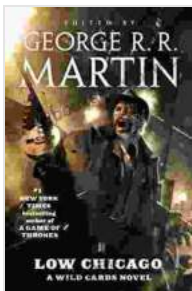


Wild Cards: Novel Book Two of the American Triad

Wild Cards is the second novel in the American Triad series by George R.R. Martin, Melinda M. Snodgrass, and Michael Cassutt. The novel was published in 1987 and is set in a world where a virus has given superpowers to a small percentage of the population. The novel follows the stories of several different characters as they deal with the challenges and dangers of living in a world where superpowers are a reality.



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★★★★☆ 4.6 out of 5

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File size	: 3786 KB
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Screen Reader	: Supported
Enhanced typesetting	: Enabled
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Print length	: 410 pages



Plot

The novel begins in the aftermath of the Wild Card virus outbreak, which has left a small percentage of the population with superpowers. These individuals are known as Aces, and they are feared and mistrusted by the general population. The novel follows the stories of several different Aces

as they try to find their place in a world that is both fascinated and terrified of them.

One of the main characters in the novel is Fortunato "Fort" Apache, a young man who develops the power to control fire. Fort is a kind and compassionate person, but he is also haunted by the memories of his past. He is determined to use his powers to help others, but he is also aware of the dangers that come with being an Ace.

Another main character in the novel is Dr. Tachyon, a brilliant scientist who develops the power to teleport. Tachyon is a driven and ambitious man, but he is also willing to sacrifice anything to achieve his goals. He is determined to find a cure for the Wild Card virus, but he is also aware that his research could have dangerous consequences.

The novel also follows the stories of several other Aces, including Jenny "Golden Boy" Cates, a young woman who develops the power to control metal; Dr. Jay Ackroyd, a brilliant scientist who develops the power to create illusions; and Darnell "Hole in the Ground" Bell, a young man who develops the power to burrow through the earth.

Themes

Wild Cards explores a number of different themes, including the nature of power, the dangers of prejudice, and the importance of hope. The novel also examines the complex relationships between the Aces and the general population. The Aces are both feared and mistrusted by the general population, but they are also seen as symbols of hope. The novel explores the ways in which the Aces can use their powers to help others, but it also warns of the dangers that come with being an Ace.

Reception

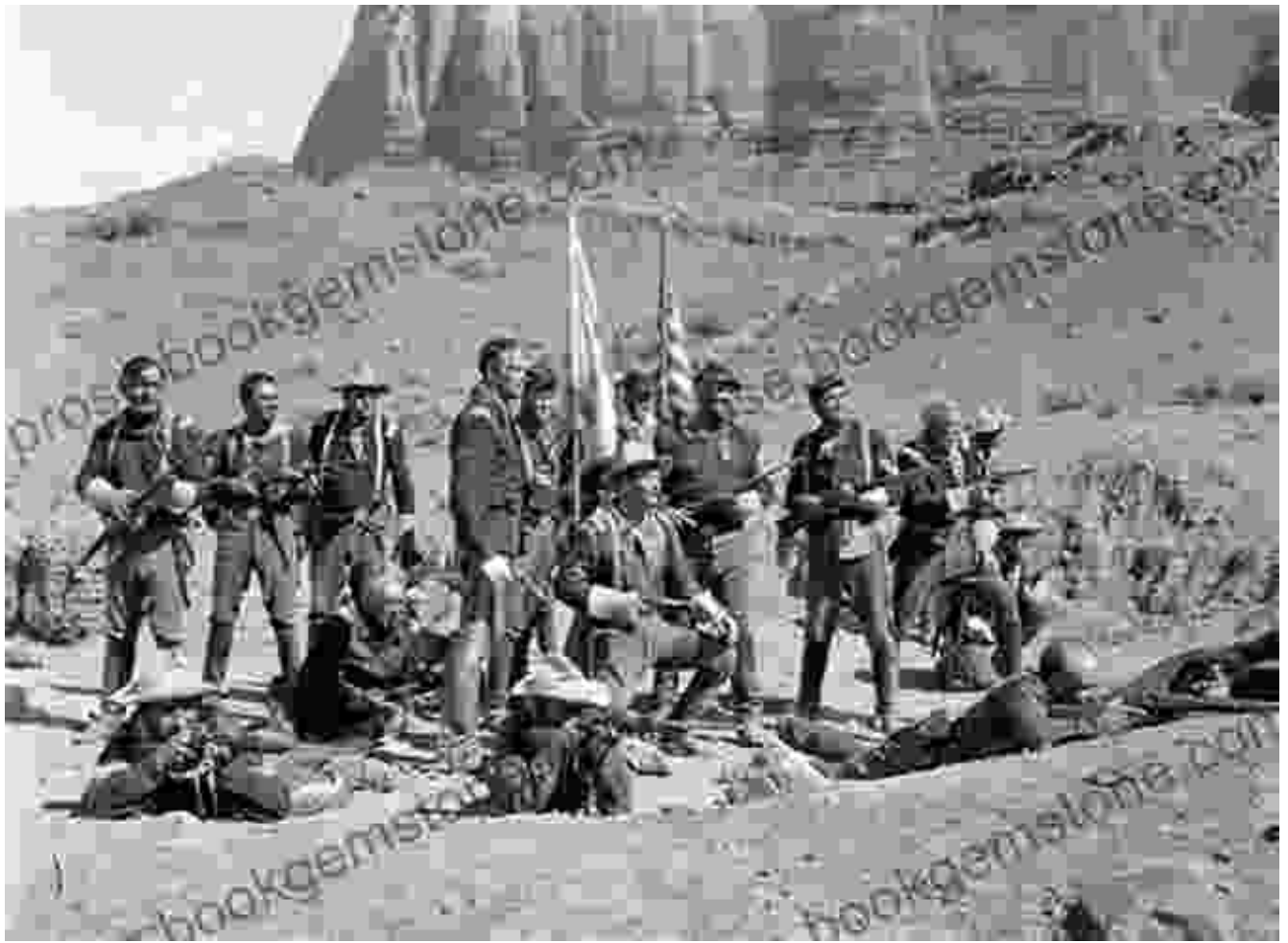
Wild Cards was well-received by critics. The novel was praised for its complex characters, its well-developed world, and its thought-provoking themes. The novel was also a commercial success, and it has been translated into several languages.

Legacy

Wild Cards has had a significant impact on the science fiction and fantasy genres. The novel has been credited with helping to popularize the superhero genre, and it has also been influential in the development of other superhero franchises, such as Marvel's X-Men and DC Comics' Watchmen.

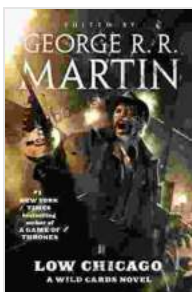
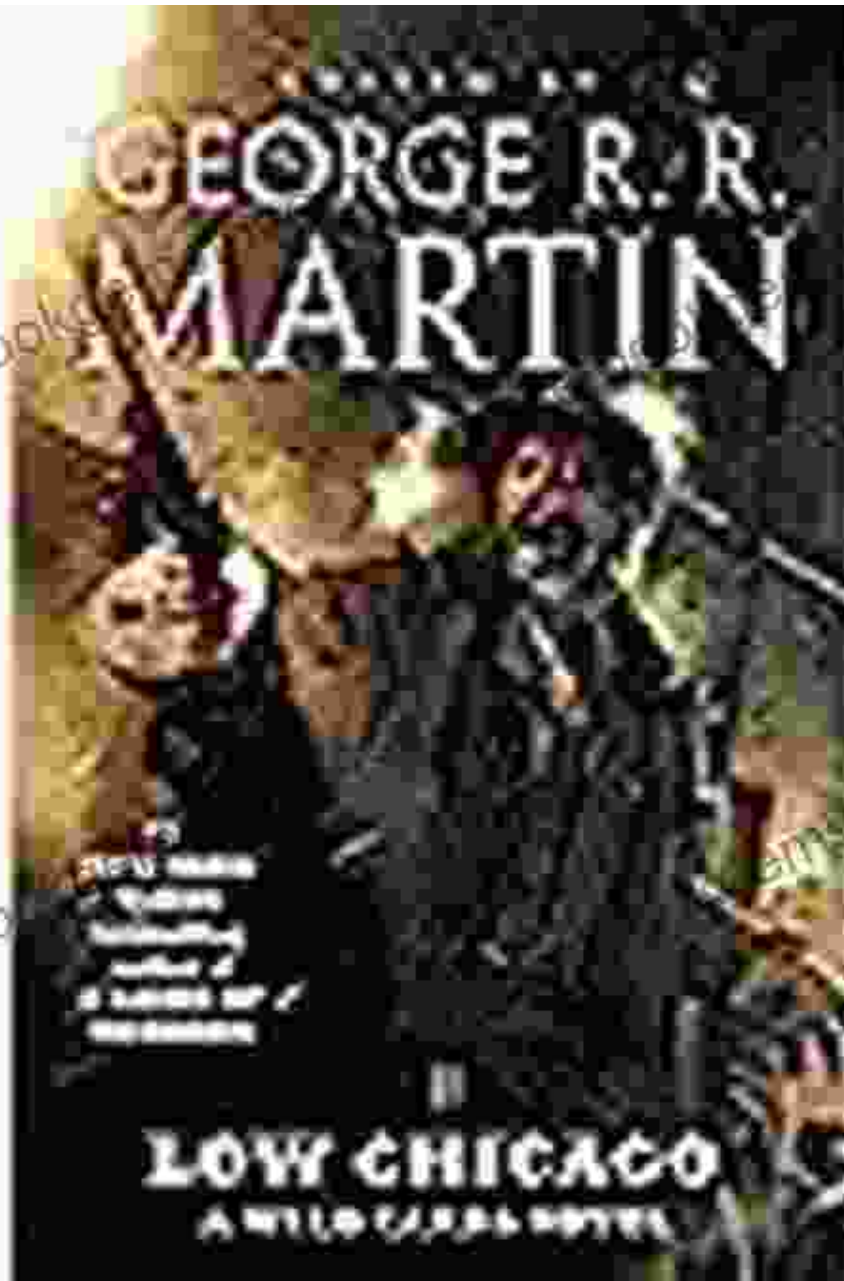
Wild Cards is a complex and thought-provoking novel that explores the nature of power, the dangers of prejudice, and the importance of hope. The novel is a classic of the science fiction and fantasy genres, and it continues to be enjoyed by readers around the world.

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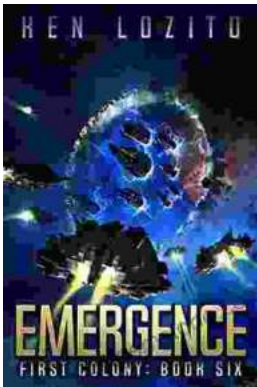


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