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Eric doesn't claim to be innocent of the crime that landed him in prison. In fact, he'd do it again if that's what it took to keep his family safe. Loyalty and force are what he knows. But meeting Annie makes him want to know more.

When Eric begins courting Annie through letters, they embark on a reckless, secret romance—a forbidden fantasy that neither imagines could ever be real...until early parole for Eric changes everything, and forces them both to face a past they can't forget, and a desire they can't deny.

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Review

Named a 2014 *Romantic Times* Reviewers' Choice Award nominee, as well as an *RT* Editors' Best Books of 2014 pick.

"Gritty and compelling. McKenna is a master at capturing realistic situations and characters." --Maya Banks, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author

A Dear Author Recommended Read! "For all of its forbidden nature, this is a lovely, heartfelt romance." --Dear Author

"Ultimately, here in the underbelly of blue collar life, we learn that people are more than just labels, snap judgments are often misguided, and new life is found in the most unlikely of places. There's nothing sugar-coated here, and the romance stands out more because of it."--Heroes & Heartbreakers

"4.5 stars--a Top Pick! McKenna has crafted an intense, at times dark, heated romance. Eric's letters to Annie are simply beautiful and build to a physical and emotional relationship that is completely addictive.--*Romantic Times*

"*Hard Time* delivers erotic passion unlike anything I've seen in awhile. Delightfully dirty, Cara McKenna has found her place among some of my favourite erotic writers." --Under the Covers

"The emotions, actions and reactions of all the characters were honest and real. I kept wondering the whole time whether Annie and Eric were going to find a way to make it work." --Guilty Pleasures Book Reviews

About the Author

Cara McKenna writes smart erotica - sexy stories with depth. A little dark, a little funny, always emotional. She also writes red-hot romance under the name Meg Maguire. She loves writing sexy, character-driven stories about strong-willed men and women who keep each other on their toes, and bring one another to their knees. Before becoming a purveyor of red-hot romance and smart erotica, Cara was a record store bitch, a lousy barista, a decent designer and an over-enthusiastic penguin handler. Cara now writes full-time and lives north of Boston with her bearded husband. When she's not trapped in her own head she can usually be found in the kitchen, the coffee shop or jogging around the nearest duck-filled pond.

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