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cross between Frank Peletti, Agatha Christie and Kinky Friedman. Adeptly stringing her readers along, she leaves just enough of the plotline untied to make way for the third volume. *Jamie Lee Rake*

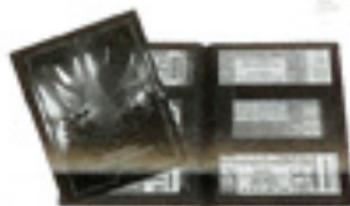


The Piano Wizard *Allegro Rainbow*

While it doesn't make learning piano easy, it does make learning notes and getting a feel for the keyboard fun. From reading color coded icons (with the option of matching them to enclosed colored key stickers) to actual notes, it advances the player at his/her pace. There's tons of popular and classical songs to learn, as well. Easy to set up and run, with a fairly intuitive environment, though the manual is necessary. \$149.95 [allegrorainbow.com] *DV*



obfuscate the author's more salient points, but overall, he makes a valuable addition to the paucity of study that places theology in context of popular culture. Scharen is, of course, examining a band who exemplifies the intersection of those two worlds as good as anyone. *Jamie Lee Rake*



CD Frame & Ticket Archive *That's My Ticket*

The music fan in all of us will appreciate the quality display that's ready made to fit your favorite CD (disc and jacket/cover) behind glass and on your

wall. Like a miniature Gold Record plaque found in a record label lobby, this is a high class way to add importance to those cherished albums. With two screws holding each of the four brushed aluminum frame corners together, and a foam spindle to snap the disc onto, it's easy to switch out and mount the frame. Very sweet. \$29.95

A unique cousin product is the Ticket Archive, with scrapbook-like plastic sleeves to fit 96 ticket stubs into. While the cover of the well-bound book is kinda cheesy, it's also sleeved, so you can slip in your own photo. \$12.95 [thatsmyticket.com] *DV*