

Fakes And Lies by Jane A Adams.

3 stars.

Another outing for Naomi Blake.

'Fakes And Lies' is the twelfth mystery in the Naomi Blake series. She is a blind, former police detective who works using a specially adapted computer.

The plot opens with the mysterious murder of Antonia Scott, the owner of an art gallery. This seemingly random act seems to tie in with another character, Freddie Jones, an artist and successful forger. Freddie's portfolio of drawings is also stolen. Was his death actually the result of natural causes as the police think? Freddy's daughter, Bee Jones, is convinced that there is something more sinister going on.

Bee enlists the help of her father's friends, Bob and Annie Taylor, to delve more deeply. Bob then involves Naomi Blake and Detective Inspector Karen Morgan who all race around in circles chasing clues.

Although there is a good mixture of ingredients, including kidnapping, violence, extreme arson and torture, I felt that at times the plot lacked pace and clarity, hence my three stars verdict.

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