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## **Description:**

**From School Library Journal** Grade 5-8-In the Circle of Magic quartet, Tamora Pierce introduced readers to four young mages who each had different magical abilities. Briar Moss, the plant mage, is featured in this second book (Scholastic, 2001) of a new quartet. Briar has traveled to Chammur with his mentor, Rosethorn, in order to help the farmers of the town. While roaming the busy market, Briar meets a street urchin who has the ability to turn lumps of rock into glowing stones. Briar is dismayed to learn that since he discovered Evvy's magic, he is responsible for training her. Matters become complicated when rival street gangs struggle to control Evvy for their own ends.

Evil Lady Zenadia controls one of the gangs and is determined to have her way. Pierce fans will find much to enjoy here. Briar is a likeable character and it is amusing to see his role reversal from student to teacher. The accompanying music enhances the Middle-Eastern setting. The full cast of narrators do a fine job of bringing all the characters to life. A treat for fantasy fans. -*Tricia Melgaard, Centennial Middle School, Broken Arrow, OK*

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**From** Gr. 5-9. After years of training, 14-year-old Briar Moss, a reformed street-gang member, is now an accredited mage. While in the city of Chammur, he meets Evvy, a street urchin unknowingly gifted with powerful stone magic. Evvy needs a mentor, as well as protection from a local gang seeking to exploit her talents. Reluctantly, Briar becomes her teacher and guardian and soon finds himself caught between warring gangs whose violent lifestyles will lead to continuing tragedy unless he intervenes. The second title in the Circle Opens series, which will stand well on its own, is rich in descriptive, inviting prose and inventive detail. Pierce's exotic, imaginary settings, intricate plots, and dimensional characters provide entertaining reading, as well as an unusual backdrop for exploring social concerns--in this case, gang culture. Briar is a likable, compelling character, an ecoactivist whose past and present challenges are sympathetically portrayed, and his endeavors are sure to satisfy Pierce's fans and gain new ones. *Shelle Rosenfeld*

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