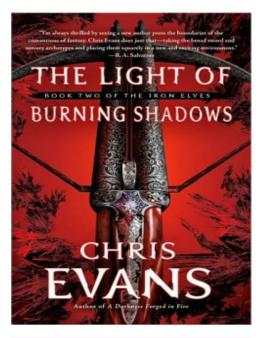
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- Feature title at the Comic Con 2009
- Author's Web site: www.ironelves.com

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