

HOLLY-JANE RAHLENS



Whispering Leaves (working title)

Press Quotes

“Whispering Leaves” is characterized by a gripping plot. Another strength is the meticulously drawn characters: at first, each of the three protagonists is fighting his demons by himself. But the adventure brings them closer together. Soon they begin to trust each other, and finally they open their hearts. — **Neue Zürcher Zeitung**

Buy it! — **ekz (einkaufszentrale für öffentliche büchereien)**

Holly-Jane Rahlens conjures up a magic spell so powerful, we can't stop following the story trail she has so skillfully laid out for us. (...) With meticulous care she enhances her parallel world with new inventions and unknown advances. But she's most interested in her characters and their development, so despite the book's utopian feel it comes across as true and real. — **Berliner Zeitung**

Absolutely brilliant! A fantastic book! I love it! — **RavensBuch**

A persuasively-written time travel adventure for both boys and girls. – **Hamburger Morgenpost**

The action-adventure is topped by characters every reader can identify with, a dash of intrigue that transcends time and space, and a slew of original ideas. – **Stiftung Lesen**

The number one book tip for the year 2273! – **AstroLibrium**

A real treat! – **STUBE, Vienna**

A thrilling and compelling read! – **Evangelische Büchereien in Rheinland**

I highly recommend this book to boys and girls 11 and up who are interested in reading an original story about the future. – **Matteo (10 years old) from Bücherkinder.de**

A time travel adventure that leaves its readers chewing their nails. – **Kilifu 2015/2016**

An ingeniously crafted, witty, and intriguingly narrated examination of our modern reality. – **rbb Kulturradio**

What makes this novel so special is that finally there's a writer who doesn't ask her protagonists to save the world. Rahlens describes utterly convincingly the roller coaster of emotions that each of the children – Rosa, Oliver and Iris – is forced to confront, each according to his or her own temperament, whether those be feelings of doom, helplessness or even sheer fascination with a new and foreign world. – **Buch & Maus 2/15**

A turbulent trip through time and history that offers its readers an important piece of wisdom: we are the authors of our own future. – **Kinder- und Jugendbuchliste Sommer 2015 Saarländischer Rundfunk, Radio Bremen and Westdeutscher Rundfunk**