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Editorial Review

From School Library Journal

Gr 5-8-When Astrid, about to begin junior high, heads to summer roller derby camp while best friend Nicole opts for ballet camp, their relationship is jeopardized by opposing interests. This fast-paced, engrossing graphic novel featuring a lesser-known sport captures the first pangs of adolescent angst, friendship, and loyalty. α(c) Copyright 2011. Library Journals LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Media Source, Inc. No redistribution permitted.

Review

A Newbery Honor book

2016-2017 Texas Bluebonnet Award winner

A New York Times Bestseller

A Spring 2015 Indie Next Pick

A New York Times Book Review Notable Children's Book of 2015

A New York Public Library Best Book for Reading and Sharing of 2015

A Publishers Weekly Best Book of 2015

A School Library Journal Best Book of 2015

A Kirkus Reviews Best Book of 2015

A Top 10 Latin@ Book of 2015

A Parents Magazine Best Children's Book of 2015

A Chicago Public Library Best Book of 2015

A Texas Bluebonnet Award 2016-2017 nominee

A 2016 YALSA Quick Picks for Reluctant Readers selection

A 2016 YALSA Popular Paperback selection

An ALA Notable Children's Book of 2016

A 2015 Nerdy Book Club Award Winner for Best Graphic Novel

“Roller Girl's message of self-discovery, friendship, and perseverance will roll its way right into your heart.”
—Raina Telgemeier, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Sisters*

“This spiky, winning graphic novel captures the bittersweetness of finding a new passion and saying goodbye to your former, more uncertain self.” —*New York Times Book Review*

* "Jamieson captures this snapshot of preteen angst with a keenly decisive eye, brilliantly juxtaposing the nuances of roller derby with the twists and turns of adolescent girls' friendships...Full of charm and moxie—don't let this one roll past." —*Kirkus*, starred review

* “The story will engage readers... Offer this comic to fans of Telgemeier’s *Smile* and Laura Lee Gulledge’s *Page by Paige*.”—*School Library Journal*, starred review

* "Readers will stand up and cheer."—*Publishers Weekly*, starred review

* "Jamieson’s dialogue captures coming-of-age...so authentically"—*Horn Book*, starred review

* "[A] sharp and engaging graphic novel"—*BCCB*, starred review

"Visually, *Roller Girl* is very appealing — think Lynn Johnston with a modern edge — but it's the storytelling that really sets this graphic novel apart...A great choice for tween girls, whether they're remaking themselves, renegotiating friendships or just weathering the stormy seas of early adolescence."
—*Chicago Tribune*

About the Author

Victoria Jamieson received her BFA in Illustration from the Rhode Island School of Design. She worked as a children's book designer before moving to Portland and becoming a freelance illustrator. She has also worked as a portrait artist aboard a cruise ship, and has lived in Australia, Italy, and Canada. She maintains a not-so-secret identity as Winnie the Pow, skater with the Rose City Rollers roller derby league.

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