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Editorial Review

From School Library Journal

Gr 9 Up—A resplendent novel from the author of *The Sky Is Everywhere* (Dial, 2010). Fraternal twins and burgeoning artists Jude and Noah are inseparable until puberty hits and they find themselves competing for boys, a spot at an exclusive art school, and their parents' affections. Told in alternating perspectives and time lines, with Noah's chapters taking place when they are 13 and Jude's when they are 16, this novel explores how it's the people closest to us who have the power to both rend us utterly and knit us together. Jude's takes are peppered with entries from her bible of superstitions and conversations with her grandmother's ghost, and Noah continuously imagines portraits (complete with appropriately artsy titles) to cope with his emotions. In the intervening years, a terrible tragedy has torn their family apart, and the chasm between the siblings grows ever wider. Vibrant imagery and lyrical prose propel readers forward as the twins experience first love, loss, betrayal, acceptance, and forgiveness. Art and wonder fill each page, and threads of magical realism lend whimsy to the narrative. Readers will forgive convenient coincidences because of the characters' in-depth development and the swoon-worthy romances. The novel's evocative exploration of sexuality, grief, and sibling relationships will ring true with teens. For fans of Rainbow Rowell's *Fangirl* (St. Martin's, 2013) and Melina Marchetta's realistic fiction. See author Q&A, p. 152.—Shelley Diaz, School Library Journal

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Praise for *I'll Give You the Sun*:

Winner of the 2015 Michael L. Printz Award

Winner of a 2015 Stonewall Honor

A *New York Times Book Review* Notable Children's Book of 2014

A *TIME* Top Ten Young Adult Book of 2014

A *Boston Globe* Best Young Adult Novel of 2014

A *Huffington Post* Top 12 Young Adult Book of 2014

A 2014 Cybil Award Finalist

A 2015 YALSA Top Ten Best Fiction for Young Adults Book

A 2015 Topo Ten Rainbow List Selection

A *Publishers Weekly* Best Book of 2014

A *School Library Journal* Best Book of 2014

A 2014 *Booklist* Editor's Choice Book

A Bustle.com Top 25 Young Adult Novel of 2014

"**This is the big one**—the blazing story of once inseparable twins whose lives are torn apart by tragedy."—*Entertainment Weekly*, "5 YA Novels to Watch Out For"

"Dazzling."—*The New York Times Book Review*

"Have you ever wanted to put a book in all of your friends' hands? This is that kind of book . . . Heartbreakingly honest."—*San Francisco Chronicle*

"Bold, even **brehtaking**. You get the sense [the] characters are bursting through the words, breaking free of normal metaphors and constructions, jubilantly trying to rise up from the prison of language . . . The book celebrates art's capacity to heal, but it also shows us how we excavate meaning from the art we cherish, and how we find reflections of ourselves within it. . . . *I'll Give You the Sun* is a dazzling mirror"—Lauren Oliver for the *New York Times Book Review*

"Both structurally virtuosic . . . and emotionally wrenching. That alone is a rare combination in literature, YA or otherwise. But then add in the characters . . . This book is a rebuttal to anyone suggesting YA, because it tells stories of young people, is somehow of lesser stuff. *I'll Give You The Sun* is literature. Full stop. In my opinion, it's not just the best YA book of the year, but one of the best books of the year."—Gayle Forman for *Parade*

"This book is many things at once, all of them engrossing. It's a book where teenagers think in almost indulgently poetic language while still sounding genuinely adolescent. It's two separate but equally intoxicating love stories. . . . Most of all, it's the mystery of what happened to tear Noah and Jude apart, and what—if anything—can bring them back together again."—NPR's Guide to 2014's Great Reads

"This book is about many things: grief, sexuality, creativity, bravery, identity, guilt. But mostly it's about love. Be prepared with more tissues than you needed for *The Fault in Our Stars*, a chunky notebook to scribble down all the quotes and a handful of witty responses when people ask why you're chuckling to yourself in the corner. Because this book will make you realise how beautiful words can be."—*The Guardian*

"Simply **unforgettable**. . . . If you're looking for a book that's deep and powerful and beautiful, look no further. You must read *I'll Give You the Sun*."—Lisa Parkin for the *Huffington Post*'s "Top 12 Young Adult Books of 2014"

* "Readers are meant to feel big things, and they will—Nelson's novel **brims with emotion** (grief, longing, and love in particular) as Noah, Jude, and the broken individuals in their lives find ways to heal."—*Publishers Weekly*, starred review

* "A **resplendent** novel...Art and wonder fill each page."—*School Library Journal*, starred review

* "Nelson's prose is replete with moments of stunning emotional clarity, and her characters are as irresistible to the reader as they are to each other . . . No matter how they hurt each other, the love among all the characters is huge here—huge enough to destroy, huge enough to forgive, and huge enough to put their broken world back together again."—*BCCB*, starred review

* "In an **electric** style evoking the highly visual imaginations of the young narrators, Nelson captures the fraught, antagonistic, yet deeply loving relationship Jude and Noah share."—*Booklist*, starred review

* "An intricate and absorbing work of art emerges from the details of the interlaced sections. Few novels about twins capture so well the rewards and challenges . . . or the way in which people who have loved us remain in our minds after their deaths."—*VOYA*, perfect score

* "Readers will be hooked."—*Library Media Connection*

"The novel is structurally brilliant, moving back and forth across timelines to reveal each teen's respective exhilaration and anguish . . . Nelson's prose **scintillates** . . . dizzyingly visual . . . Here's a narrative experience readers won't soon forget."—*Kirkus*

"Told in poetic prose with the barest hint of magical realism . . . a compelling meditation on love, grief, sexuality, family, and fate."—*Horn Book*

"I've gotten so involved in a book that I've missed my subway stop because I was reading; Jandy Nelson's *I'll Give You the Sun* might be the first time where I saw my stop and skipped it anyway."—*The Daily Beast*

"*I'll Give You the Sun* is a daydream . . . otherworldly and mesmerizing . . . Nelson's evocative language

envelops one's imagination . . . **an exquisite surrender to wonder and possibilities.**"—*The Boston Globe*

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"This one is going to be big... It is full of all the good stuff that sticks with you: love, identity struggles, loss, betrayal, and the complications of family, so you'll probably feel **all the feels.**"—*Bustle.com*

"A blazing prismatic explosion of color . . . *I'll Give You the Sun* is that rare, immersive teen novel: **To read it is a coming-of-age experience in itself.**"—*Entertainment Weekly*

"[These] viewpoints—Noah's at 13 and 14, Jude's at 16—intersect in surprising ways, and eventually come together in a satisfying, if bittersweet, conclusion. . . . Young adults will learn they're not alone in navigating the emotional highs and lows of finding their identity; older readers will have moments of wistful recognition. I, for one, devoured this book."—*Montreal Gazette*

"It's a meditation on life, art, family, fate, and how even the most broken people can help fix one another . . . This book will tear through you like a hurricane, leaving you in ruined awe."—*Huffington Post*

"Ingeniously told from the alternating perspectives of its spunky twin protagonists, this (technically) young adult novel jubilantly holds its own against the fall's grown-up offerings, with dead-on insights about surviving youth—and family."—*O, the Oprah Magazine*

"You'd think that we were plugging *The Fault in Our Stars*, but even that comparison might sell short *I'll Give You the Sun*... [It's] planted firmly in the positive, making for a **gravity-defying, life-affirming** experience."—*San Francisco Magazine*

"[Nelson] has an electrifying facility with description, especially how her characters feel at a given moment . . . [Jude], Noah, and the fine cast of subsidiary characters . . . are most memorable for how they poignantly illustrate the most basic of human emotions—love, grief, shame, remorse, joy."—*Chicago Tribune*

"One of Fall's most anticipated YA books . . . it's filled with complex and controversial themes that are relatable to anyone who has struggled with identity, sexuality, family ties and other struggles of growing up."—*Mashable.com*

"Will pluck at your heartstrings."—*People*

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"The author brilliantly navigates Lennie's course between despair and hope, sorrow and humor... a gripping love triangle."—*Shelf Awareness*

"In this amazing tale of love and loss, Nelson introduces a cast of characters who make the reader laugh and cry."—NPR's *The Roundtable*

"Nearly everyone who's staggering through life in the wake of a loved one's death will recognize themselves in this brilliant, piercing story."—*The Denver Post*

* "This is distinguished by the dreamy California setting and poetic images that will draw readers into Lennie's world..."—*Publishers Weekly*, starred review

"A joy to read. You'll remember [it] long after you've turned the last page."—*The Romantic Times*

* "It's romantic without being goeey and tear-jerking without being campy—what more could a reader want?"—*BCCB*, starred review

* "This is a passionate, vulnerable, wonderfully complete and irresistible book."—*VOYA*, starred review

"[Nelson] writes with abandon... it's a headlong kind of book, preferably devoured at a single setting."—*Los Angeles Times*

"Brimming with humor and life, full of music and the poems Lennie drops all over town, *The Sky is Everywhere* explores betrayal and forgiveness through a vibrant cast of characters."—*SLJ*

"Those who think young adult books can't be as literary, rich, and mature as their adult counterparts will be disabused of that notion after reading *The Sky is Everywhere*... A finely-drawn portrait of grief and first love."—*The Daily Beast*

"A story of love, loss, and healing that will resonate with readers long after they've finished reading."—*Booklist*

"A story about love and loss... both heartfelt and literary."—*Kirkus Reviews*

"*Sky* is both a profound meditation on loss and grieving and an exhilarating and very sexy romance. The book deserves multiple readings simply to savor Nelson's luscious language..."—NPR (chosen by Gayle Forman as one of the top five teen reads of 2010)

"How grief and love run side by side is sensitively and intensely explored in this energetic, poetic, and warm-blooded novel."—*The Guardian*

"An addictive, romantic, heartbreaking, and wise tale of one girl's epic loss—and equally epic self-discovery. Seriously, stop reading this blurb; start reading this book!"—*Gayle Forman*, author of the *New York Times* Bestseller *If I Stay*

"Wow. I sobbed my eyes out and then laughed through the tears. I have not fallen in love with a story and its characters like this in a long time. Stunning, heartbreaking, hilarious. A story that shakes the earth."—An Na, winner of the Michael L. Printz Award and National Book Award Finalist

"Okay, I admit it. I have a huge crush on this book—it's beautiful, brilliant, passionate, funny, sexy, and deep. Come to think of it, I might even want to *marry* this book."—*Sonya Sones*, author of *What My Mother Doesn't Know*

"Full of heart, quirky charm, and beautiful writing, *The Sky Is Everywhere* simply shines."—*Deb Caletti*, National Book Award Finalist and author of *The Secret Life of Prince Charming*

"Jandy Nelson's story of grief somehow manages to be an enchantment, a celebration, a romance—without forsaking the rock-hard truths of loss."—*Sara Zarr*, National Book Award Finalist and author of *Story of a Girl* and *Sweethearts*

"*The Sky Is Everywhere* evokes the intensity of desire and agony of heartache with breathtaking clarity. This beautifully written story will leave an indelible impression upon your soul."—*Susane Colasanti*, author of *When It Happens*

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A YALSA Best Fiction for Young Adults Nominee

A Junior Library Guild Selection

Translated into seventeen different languages

About the Author

Jandy Nelson, like Noah and Jude, comes from a superstitious lot. She was tutored from a young age in the art of the four-leaf clover hunt; she knocks wood, throws salt, and carries charms in her pockets. Her debut novel, *The Sky Is Everywhere*, was on multiple Best Books of the Year lists, was a YALSA Best Fiction for Young Adults pick, earned numerous starred reviews, has been translated widely, and continues to enjoy great international success. Currently a full-time writer, Jandy lives and writes in San Francisco, California—not far from the settings of *The Sky Is Everywhere* and *I'll Give You the Sun*.

Users Review

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