

QUANTUM *Spirit* APOCALYPSE

Reviews

From Readers and Bloggers

Therian (@RoxyKade)
(2,200+ followers)

Review on June 20: <http://roxykade.blogspot.com/2014/06/review-quantum-spirit-apocalypse-by.html>

"Enthralling and thought-provoking, this was a great read!"

A Tiffy Fit's Reading Corner (@a_tiffyfit)
(1,740+ followers on Twitter, 650+ on Blog)

Review and Promotional Giveaway on June 25: <http://tiffyfit.blogspot.com/2014/06/blog-tour-quantum-spirit-apocalypse-by.html>

"The Power of Intention rules the roost, shaped by forgiveness and love, and I really like this message for young adults as it teaches them to think beyond themselves, don't answer hate with hate, and to hope. The most intense power in the world is your will -- choose love, choose forgiveness, focus your intent!"

Sarah Catching Books (@Catchingbooks)
(1,400+ followers)

Review on July 21: <http://sarahcatchingbooks.blogspot.com/2014/07/quantum-spirit-apocalypse-by-sallie.html>

"I really haven't read anything like this before and it was really refreshing to read a book like this one. I thought the writing was flawless, and also thought the main character Salena was really great. It was nice to see a strong willed character and I thought she really grew as a person throughout the novel."

Review from Aarti Saxena on April 10:
"4 out of 5 stars. A masterpiece!"

Review from Emilie Vecera on April 16:

"Salena Hawthorne is psychic. More than psychic, she's descended from an ancient Mayan goddess of the moon. When the onset of puberty sparks a new world of powers, such as the ability to see auras and the power to enter the fifth dimension, Salena realizes she's more than just psychic. Her friends and family, awed but terrified of her new ability to disappear on demand, start trying to figure out what it all means. Coincidentally, around the same time a disease strikes Malaysia, killing all who catch it. There doesn't seem to be a connection between the two at first, but Salena's spirit guide, Angeni, fears it's the start of something big. As Salena learns more about the fifth dimension and the Fif-Ds that live there, she gets involved

in all sorts of crime, corruption, and black-blobbed sickness that threaten to wipe out humanity. Since Salena's the only one who can move between the fifth and third dimensions on command, it seems like it's up to her to save the world.

In all honesty, I started off this book thinking I wouldn't like it. Salena's voice was sometimes whiny and immature (saying things like OMG) and as a writing style I've never been fond of putting thoughts in italics. The characters are introduced in large batches, making names like Lisa, Keia, and Leah blend together. But the book caught my attention, and I grew to like Salena's spunky inner voice. Haws creates a world of the fifth dimension, where anything is possible to create from thin air, given that you have the willpower to create it. At times it can get into info dumping, but the information is interesting so I didn't mind too much. Her characters grow and develop, limited only by the huge amount of characters included which left Salena with not enough time to interact with everyone. Still, it was obvious that everyone had their own story even if the details of it weren't fleshed out from Salena's point of view. Haws included a nice and not-too-overbearing romance between Salena and Jace, which I only wish could have been expanded on. Mostly the story engrossed me, as well as the world of the fifth dimension which Haws developed so well. Salena's voice was fitting with that of a 13-year-old, and like I said, annoying at first but her sassy commentary and realistic way of dealing got me hooked. Overall, it was an enjoyable read with a positive message of love, forgiveness, and acceptance. I would recommend this book to any teens with a love for fantasy, but mostly teenage girls of a younger age category (11-15)."

Review from Andrea Johnson on April 21:

"Not the type of book I normally read but I'm glad I broke out of my niche for a bit. This was written well and kept me thoroughly interested."

Review from Jessica Szczepanski on April 25:

"I really enjoyed this book- for once it focused on the good of life and the good nature of a lot of people. It also showed how much a good feeling can do for a person- it can save their lives! I will admit some confusion at parts- but there was a lot of different aspects to follow but it all made sense in the end. This book kept me interested the entire time-right from the start there was 'supernatural' themes running crazy! I mean, one of the first scenes this poor girl ends up in a coma. Her life just gets more and more interesting after that- Salena is one special girl right from the first word.

Overall, well written with lots of different things going on that tied together nicely in a big bow of pow! Planning on recommending this to my boyfriend's younger sister."

Review from Shane McElveen on May 13:

"I want to give Ms. Haws all due credit. This is a very well written book. The characters are well developed and the pacing in the novel is a fine mix of action and character development. From the beginning the story captures your attention & keeps it."

Review from Melissa Hancock on June 17:

"5 out of 5 stars. I thoroughly enjoyed this read. It was a great mix of paranormal romance & the ever popular teenage detective characteristic that so many have enjoyed over the years. It was well written, engaging & the story line was fantastic. I can't wait for the next installment & in the meantime will be recommending it to everyone I can."

Review from Cassandra Graham on June 20:

"When Salena ends up in hospital she's at a loss as to why she ended up there in the first place. She learns she has developed psychic powers that have been kicked into overdrive. She had some really good friends in the form of Leah, Katrina, Keia and Sam and her spirit guide Angeni. They help her through the new adjustment period. It was very good storytelling with all the sarcasm, a teen with newly acquired abilities can muster and a caring support system with family and really good friends. It also had a lot of humor, like when Angeni pops in unexpectedly and Salena is just a little bit peeved at her for doing so. Even her Uncle Jack was very funny. The villains from the mean girl clique and the other set of villains were well, mean and you really wanted them to get what they deserved and find out what will happen to them eventually. It was a good enjoyable read you'll enjoy and it had a very intriguing ending that makes you want to read some more."

Review from Rachelle Timms on July 1:

"I really enjoyed this book, there were loads of twists and turns that I didn't see coming! The main character was great and really relatable.

I hope that I get to listen to more of this series soon!"