

Rant & Rave

Book reviews for you, by you!

Spring has sprung! This time around, it's an all-Laurie Halse Anderson novel issue of *Rant & Rave*. If you haven't read her books, you're missing out! Read on to find out more about this awesome author, and keep those reviews coming. Our deadline to turn in a review for the summer issue is May 17, 2013.

How does *RANT & RAVE* work? Four times each year, we collect book reviews from teens across Asheville and Buncombe County and publish them here. Our reviewers rate books on the following scale:

Terrible Okay The Best!



Anyone ages 11 to 18 can submit a review. Look for a submission form at your local Buncombe County public library. (Or write a review in your own style – just make sure to tell us your name, the author's name, and the title of the book.)

Winter Girls, by Laurie Halse Anderson



What is the book about?

This book is about a girl trapped in her own thoughts about a friend who is now gone. She suffers anorexia, and the ending will shock all.

What did you like?

She has things in common with me.

What did you NOT like?

Longer, please! It was so good!

Would you recommend this book to your friends?

Yes!

Lasting thought you took from the book. . .

The dead aren't always gone.

— Rachel Nelson, 13
South Buncombe Public Library

Speak, by Laurie Halse Anderson



What is the book about?

A freshman named Melinda tries to survive high school with very few friends, due to one bad mistake. . . the party.

What did you like?

The writer's descriptive adjectives were absolutely perfect. She made the story come to life, tugging at your emotions.

What did you NOT like?

I wanted it to be longer, because it was so good! :-)

Would you recommend this book to your friends?

YES!!!

Lasting thought you took from the book. . .

Be yourself and express what is "you."

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