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Editorial Review

From School Library Journal

Gr 10 Up—The conclusion to the "Metamorphoses" trilogy (St. Martin's) follows Tally to a small town outside of Seattle where she seeks out her maybe-father to learn more about her past and her family. The place feels full of magic and people who intrigue her. Tally has a hard time thinking straight here, and her dreams are filled with vivid and terrifying images of blood. She falls for the mysterious Maddy, a girl who seems to hold the answers to her many questions. Based loosely on the story of Jason and the Argonauts, the protagonist's journey reveals far more about her family than she could have imagined. Maddy keeps saying "no pasts," but as Tally learns, the past is everywhere—the past is then and now. The stunning, densely packed story is full of as much intoxicating poetry as meticulous scientific explanations. Tally's initial prim and rather academic narration becomes richer and more dreamlike as her story unfolds. This edgy, smart, and challenging title combines mythology, punk rock, science, a quest, feminism, art, dreams, and the power of stories and storytelling with unforgettable results. The well-developed cast of characters is racially and sexually diverse. The emphasis on the importance of female relationships—as family, as lovers, and as friends—is a welcome exploration of the many levels of intimacy. The book can be read as a stand-alone, but will certainly send new readers looking for the previous books in the series. VERDICT A highly recommended and breathtakingly read for sophisticated readers.—Amanda MacGregor, formerly at Apollo High School Library, St. Cloud, MN

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"As in other books in the trilogy, McCarry inflects the Pacific Northwest setting with Greek mythology, weaving ancient magic throughout Tally's story and adding an enchanting dose of magic realism. Tally's imagistic, melodic narrative roils with urgent emotion, and readers who loved the first two installments in the series will be richly rewarded by this series' ender." *?Booklist*

"Classic mythology runs through Sarah McCarry's tales...only now the Siren Song is a punk rock scream, the Jealous God lives in a Manhattan apartment, and the Lost Heroine has particle physics and cosmology to guide her home. *About A Girl* is fierce, surprising, sexy, and always intelligent." *?Meg Howrey, author of Blind Sight and The Cranes Dance*

"Haunting, evocative, razor-sharp. Full of heart, heartache, wonder and hope—and so much more. *About a*

Girl is a brilliant and fearless novel by a brilliant and fearless writer. A must-read.” ?Courtney Summers, author of *This Is Not a Test* and *All the Rage*

About the Author

SARAH MCCARRY is the author of the novels *All Our Pretty Songs* and *Dirty Wings*, and the editor and publisher of the chapbook series *Guillotine*.

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