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Because (Time's Song Series)



Synopsis

Can music save you when your world comes crashing down around you? Talented teen musician Rigby Raines is an extremely shy introvert who loves the Beatles and Beethoven. She wants only one thing in life: to follow in her mother's footsteps as drum major of her high school marching band. Still reeling from the unexpected loss of her mom to cancer last year, she is torn between her anxiety and stage fright and the desire to honor her mom. Bullied for years by Taura Jacobs, self-proclaimed band queen and trumpet section leader, an unexpected discovery allows Rigby to face the past and experience a musical adventure of a lifetime. Does Rigby have what it takes to conquer her fears, stand up for herself, and win the drum major tryouts?

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Customer Reviews

Absolutely loved the intertwining of music, action, and emotion. Amazingly well written...This is legitimately my new favorite book, I absolutely loved it! Can't wait to read the next two! --Early reader
It was amazing, truly breathtaking! As a marching band nerd myself, I feel that this book really speaks for all of us band geeks and it really draws you in on a musical journey. The book is captivating and it leaves you feeling hungry for more just wanting to know what happened. This book is truly a work of art and I truly enjoyed it. --Early Reader
I sat and read it for at least 6 hours straight! The ending left me speechless and I can't wait to read the sequel! I would most definitely recommend this to my band friends. It is such a good book. --Early reader

R.K. Slade writes marching band and music oriented fiction for young adults (and young at heart

adults, too!). Combining eight years of marching band and band experience with a love for the history of music, R.K. finds great joy in bringing new characters to life through the writing process. As the owner and curator of the Marching Band Is Awesome communities on Facebook and Instagram, R.K. is connected with lovers of the marching arts, music education, drum corps, and just about every form of traditional form of music connected to the school music experience. Having studied Music Theory and Composition in college, R.K. brings a unique perspective and insight into characters, with an expressive knack for describing today's high school experience and yesterday's music history. His first full-length novel titled "Because" is slated for an Spring 2016 release. It is Book One in the Time's Song Series (a trilogy). You can find free "beta" chapters on the Wattpad app (where over twenty chapters have been released under the name "Just Rigby - A Marching Band Story").

I am in marching band and the drum major at my school. I really enjoyed this book. The line that stuck most with me was "A musician can play scales and exercises all day, but if she doesn't FEEL the music, if she doesn't dig down deep within herself, she's just making noise." I really felt and understood this line as a musician. 10/10 I am recommending this book to everyone in my band

I loved this book. I love all things band and marching band is my favorite season! I'm not as introverted as Rigby is, but I do identify with her! She is such a relatable character to anyone with a love of music, or especially, band! Not to mention, I am OBSESSED with Beethoven. 10/10 would recommend!

I read this book in 3 evenings (I couldn't put it down)! I was nervous that I would be a little lost since I know nothing about marching band, but not the case at all. I was enthralled with this story and constantly guessing where the story was going to go, and I was not disappointed. Very well written, a great read for all ages!

Exactly as advertised. Great product from a great seller. Highly recommend.

This book is on point! I read it in 2 days and I'm a slow reader. Actually sucked me into the time series. I can't wait for the next one. Now my son wants to read it too. He is a band nerd!

If you are a band geek and fantasy lover this is the book for you! Once I started reading I couldn't put it down! It tells an amazing story that all band nerds HAVE to read, this is definitely a five star book.

Enjoyed reading this as I have 2 kids marching in HS right now. Interesting twist with the time travel aspect. Can't wait to see what's next for Rigby and Chewie and the band. Keep writing Mr. Slade!

Extremely good book that accurately reflects the marching band experience. Very well written, and has some surprising but enjoyable stuff in it.

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