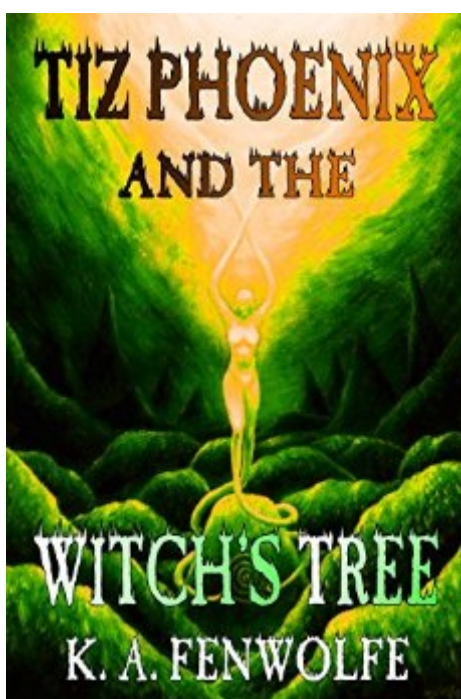


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Tiz Phoenix And The Witch's Tree: A Fantasy Adventure & Supernatural Mystery (The Celestial Tree Academy Book 1)



Synopsis

Her Flames Will Burn Brighter Than A Trillion Suns...As Long As She Survives The Climb...Tiz Phoenix And The Witch's Tree...A Superheroine Origin Story..."Wow! What an experience. A feasible feast for the imagination, knitted together like the comfiest blanket. Definitely worth a read!"

• five stars from Franjipani "majikrealms" on .com."I liked this idea because it really was different."

• Breakthrough Novel Awards (see the editorial reviews below).Now on sale for \$2.99 (Regular price \$4.99). So take it for a spin!

Book Description: Welcome to the Ascension: a dangerous race to climb the Witch's Tree to unlock the secrets of its godlike power. Here are some quick race tips:

- #1: Don't be a snack for the creatures lurking on the gargantuan tree. Oh by the way, good luck with that.
- #2: Beat every other climber to the top before they beat you silly.
- #3: Enter the Tower of Thorns with a full spell book, your best set of nunchucks, and every single vial of pepper spray ever made.
- #4: Survive. Think Harry Potter meets Hunger Games lite in this middle-grade mash-up of deadly competition, fantasy adventure and supernatural mystery...But first, warm your hands by the fire as this book brings you right into its own cozy version of the Shire at the beginning, so that you may become acquainted with the characters before they face the dangers to come...Fans of Percy Jackson will also enjoy this inspiring story of heroic perseverance against the impossible...(A Contemporary Fantasy Adventure/Humorous Mystery, ages 9 & up)

When life gives Tiz Phoenix lemons, she hunts life down and kicks it in the shin. Afterwards, she juices those lemons then plants the seeds. She's a tree nymph. And that's what tree nymphs do to survive in a modern society that keeps stretching across our Earth. Now that Tiz is thirteen, she's counting down the seconds to a tree nymph rite of passage that would grant her an object of immense power. With it, she could save her woodland home and reach her goal of protecting all things good and green. That is, if she doesn't get grounded first. The day before the rite, Tiz stumbles upon a pamphlet that her mother unwittingly dropped

• her mom wants to banish her to a military academy for magical beings that lies in the farthest corner of the universe. Unlike other mystical schools that young witches and warlocks desperately want to get into, Tiz would rather run for the hills to stay out. However, her attempts to avoid going could lead her into an even bigger mess

• a mystery involving a monstrous green tree of legendary evil. (Please note that this is a complete novel

• no cliffhanger)

Book Categories: Action & Adventure, Cozy Animal Mystery, Factions & Competitions, Dystopian, Fairy Tales, Norse Myths, Gods & Monsters (Dragon-Hydras, Vampires, Werewolves, Zombies), Humorous Stories, Paranormal & Urban, Superheroes, Survival Tales, Witches, Warlocks & Wizards

Editorial Reviews: Breakthrough Novel Award (ABNA) Reviews: ABNA Expert Reviewer #1 I think this has all the working parts of a very

good book. The writing is quite good, the characters are believable and likeable, with a possible educational twist. Expert Reviewer #21 liked this idea because it really was different. I loved the description of a tree nymph, as described by the author. I loved the way the author said that tree nymphs looked like normal girls but that they had a special attachment to nature. And I loved the way the author said that a tree nymph could allow leaves to be greener and flowers to grow at her feet. It was just sweet and delightful to read and think about and it was new and different, even in a fantasy! I loved the subtle message that seemed to be implied, tree nymphs wanted to save their woods and preserve nature. This writer seems to have a lovely way with descriptive language.

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Customer Reviews

We chose this book for our homeschool book club. The first several chapters I thought "Oh no, this isn't going to be any good and I'm going to have to find a different book for the book club!" But about half way through it picked up. It was VERY slow in the beginning. We all read it together (my kids are 11 and 12) and they only started begging me to "keep going!" when we hit the half way point. There IS a great story; lots of fun. I can see the similarities with the Harry Potter series and

somewhat the Hunger Games as it suggested in the description. This is definitely aimed at the younger kids. There are plenty of "life lessons" to be learned from following Tiz in her journey, nothing sexual, the violence isn't jaw dropping....simple things that maybe don't even fit in the "violence" category? No language at all. I think I recall Tiz saying "fudge" once, lol. My 12 year old daughter has already informed me that she WILL be continuing the series after we meet our book club buddies ;)

My son had chosen this book for our boys book club. I was initially concerned the other boys may not like it since many of the characters are girls, but they all enjoyed it. In fact, they asked if the author had written any others. The book is written with wonderful descriptive language. The main character is a wonderful role model - not perfect but courageous.

Amusing characters, inventive fantasy, and snappy dialogue that made me laugh!Tiz Phoenix is a member of a secretive race of female beings called tree nymphs Unfortunate events unfold after her monstrous twin sisters accidentally crack her heart seed. Without a life tree, Tiz must face the possibility her life will be shortened and her powers diminished. But the broken heart seed is only the beginning of Tiz's troubles ...You'll be drawn into the fantasy world and caught up in the imaginative plot!

When my Mom told me that she'd gotten this book, I wanted to die on the spot. I didn't want to read it. About five minutes into the book, I had a change of heart. I couldn't stop reading. It was like having the best dream ever. Where you never want to wake up. While reading, at different spots in the book I would feel like different characters and feel the emotions they would feel. This book is a page Turner in my opinion. I think the book is best for people that know their mythology. This book is best for readers ages 10-12 like me. I loved this book.

Although the author has created a new fantasy world and crafted an exciting story, the real strength of this novel is the development of complex and intriguing characters, including the heroine Tiz Phoenix. Her sassy attitude and optimism are completely believable for a girl of her age, despite the magical surroundings and dangerous situations she finds herself in. I recommend this book for anybody who likes fantasy (especially with an environmental/sustainability twist), coming of age stories, or would like to read a novel with a really neat main character.

Tiz Phoenix, 13 year old tree nymph, loses her heart seed and is suspected of being a reincarnated witch. She's abandoned by her friends, their mothers and even (it seems) her own mom and sent to a strict military-like school. Her mom surreptitiously aids her and her best friend stands up for her as she makes new friends. But before Tiz can become a real tree nymph, she has to discover how the witch is trying to regain her power. The dialogue was perky, the plot complex and the complications dealt realistically with: * mother/daughter relationship* changing loyalties among friends* sibling rivalry! did have a problem with the plethora of similes and metaphors but the target audience for this book will probably revel in them. Overall, this was an entertaining book for middle graders.

I don't have any little ones to read this to. I actually read this to my husband in the car while commuting from Southern Cal to Northern Cal. I admit I have a soft spot for kids who play the cello, sassy girl friendship, and tree saving. This is a wonderful MG book, full of positive lessons and very well written. If you are looking for something to give your child worth reading full of beautiful language and positive messages, this is the book for you. Keeping a copy around to read to my soon to be first grandchild. I very much enjoy this author's work.

My daughter is 9 and enjoyed this book immensely. It was easy for her to follow along with while keeping her greatly interested in the storyline. There wasn't anything scary in the book that deterred her from continuing and she is ready for the next book. We chose this book for our book club and it was definitely worth the purchases because it will be a repeat read for sure in our home.

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