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Lumberjanes Vol. 4: Out Of Time



Synopsis

The mystery of history! Jen just wants to have a normal lesson with her cabin, teaching Jo, April, Mal, Molly, and Ripley the basic survival skills needed without any supernatural intervention when a blizzard hits camp! Separated from her girls, Jen finds herself in more trouble than ever...until a mysterious stranger swoops in to save the day. Who is this taxidermist? What is her relationship to Rosie? Join Jen as she finds a way back to her girls, and a way to save the day! This New York Times Bestseller and Eisner Award-Nominated series is written by the amazingly talented Noelle Stevenson (Nimona, ADVENTURE TIME), and LUMBERJANES co-creator Shannon Watters, and illustrated by the insanely talented Brooke Allen (A Home For Mr. Easter).

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Customer Reviews

The Lumberjanes quintet return in these two adventure-filled volumes of the girl power graphic novel series. Friendships and romances are tested in A Terrible Plan as Mal and Molly embark on their first-ever semidate. Hoping to escape their usual madcap, monster-driven outings, the teens set out to have a quiet picnic but are duly interrupted by the Bear Woman, a magical portal, and dinosaurs. Meanwhile, the other girls, led by a determined April, hope to earn badges for "normal" camp activities, like scrapbooking and cake decorating. Their efforts are often met with disaster. Multiple art styles are used by various artists in this installment, some more successful than others. In Out of Time, the team's camp counselor Jen is separated from them

during a freak snowstorm and her charges desperately try to locate her with Camp Director Rosie's help. Jen is rescued by a former camper who has her own malicious agenda. This volume most explicitly explores the costs of friendship and the tension that can arise from differences in opinion and bullying. A subplot involving Jo and Barnes (a boy from the neighboring camp) reveals Ripley's own insecurities and hints at her identity as a trans girl. Secrets from the past are revealed via sepia-tinged flashbacks, adding suspense. Both titles feature rambunctious illustrations that pop off the page and the sparkling dialogue with feminist leanings that fans have grown to expect.

VERDICT Must-have selections for all middle school collections, especially where the previous entries are popular. —Shelley Diaz, School Library Journal

Shannon Watters is the co-creator of *Lumberjanes*, a comic book editor, founder of the BOOM! Box imprint, and an all-around classy dame. Noelle Stevenson has been nominated for a Harvey Award, and was awarded the Slate Cartoonist Studio Prize for Best Webcomic in 2012 for *Nimona*. A graduate of the Maryland Institute College of Art, Noelle is the co-creator of *Lumberjanes*. She lives in Los Angeles.

We start off with the girls camping out in the woods when a terrible snow storm hits. Jen, their leader, gets separated from the group while new and bigger creatures start to lurk. Rosie ends up rescuing the girls and they head off to solve the mystery of Jenn's disappearance. They cross paths with a sketchy character from Rosie's past and of course battle more mystical creatures. Getting a peak into Rosie and her past had me eating this one up! Also seeing Jenn step up to a challenge was awesome too. Yes, this is another great volume of the *Lumberjanes* and if you read these you'll know they always mention strong women in society. The ones mentioned in this volume were all awesome. I

hadn't heard of a lot of them, but good ole google helped me find out more about them and I was fascinated. It's education and entertaining! As always there are themes of feminism, friendship, and they learned to rely on strength of each individual to help the group - you know that thing called teamwork ;) I was left wondering though what the heck is happening with Jo?

My 12-year-old daughter loves these! Buying them with her own money has motivated her to do extra work around the house!

My husband and I probably aren't the target demographic, not being pre-teen girls, but these stories are delightful, and it's really great to see comics for girls about female friendship and adventures that aren't "girly." The stories are silly, sweet and exciting.

My 8 year old daughter LOVES these books. I read the stories before we let her have them. They're very good fun for her, Exciting stories, great characters, everything that makes a fun story for kids. I highly recommend them.

Look, it's Lumberjanes. These stories are wonderful and the cultural references are neat and should encourage young ladies to look into these great women who have advanced society. So, not to thump the soapbox too much, they're great.

I bought the first 4 volumes all at once based on the word of people on twitter and I wasn't disappointed it's a great book with tons of well thought out characters and themes. Can't wait for the next volumes to come out!

I love this series!

Volume 4 is out and it doesn't disappoint. This volume follows the girls on an icy adventure of friendship, grudges, old memories, and ill-thought-out revenge that ultimately reveals more secrets and mysteries of the Lumberjanes. A must have for fans of the series! Also (spoiler?) the Scouting Lads return in this volume and who doesn't want that?

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