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Editorial Review

From School Library Journal

Gr 5–8—No one expects much from troubled sixth grader Brendan Doyle. His grades send him to summer school, and his foster mother Mrs. Clancy bears him no great love. To add to his troubles, a local group of miscreants taunts and attacks Brendan on a regular basis. His life changes when he discovers a neighborhood forest replete with magical serenity. It reminds him of J. R. R. Tolkien's books and the other fantasies he loves to read. He decides to build a treehouse there as an escape from the outside world. Under his tree, Brendan encounters the "Green Man," a disheveled man who resembles Brendan's idea of the mythical spirit who protects forests. Together with Shea, a girl Brendan meets at summer school, the three outcasts enact idyllic forest living even as reality threatens to destroy this fragile peace. Readers expecting one of Hahn's signature ghost stories may find this story something of a departure. Much more a traditional "issue" novel, Brendan's mystical tale blends in issues associated with urban youth, homelessness, and crime. Hahn's prose continues to target reluctant readers. Short, declarative sentences make for an approachable middle school title. The first-person narration is appealing, and the story goes down a predictable path kids can easily follow. For readers who, like Brendan, might prefer art and nature to other school subjects, Hahn's novel will likely be a winner. Give this to fans of Katherine Paterson's *Bridge to Terabithia* (Crowell, 1978) for a forest hide-out story with a tween twist.—Caitlin Augusta, Stratford Library Association, CT

Review

"Another solid outing from veteran Hahn."

—*Kirkus*

"Hahn gives Brendan a narrative voice that is urgent, contemplative, and believable in this nuanced story about transformation, trust, identity, friendship, and loss."

—*Publishers Weekly*

"This is quintessential middle-grade realistic fiction, with an unvarnished depiction of the miseries that can be visited upon a quiet sixth grader and the succor that can be found in the hard-won friendship of peers and the attention of understanding elders."

—*Horn Book Magazine*

"A gentle and moving story."

—*Booklist*

"The fantasy of a forested getaway spot and the universality of Sam's self-doubt give this strong appeal to a wide audience, who will start prowling their own neighborhoods for secret arboreal hideaways."

—*Bulletin*

About the Author

Mary Downing Hahn, a former children's librarian, is the award-winning author of many popular ghost stories, including *Wait Till Helen Comes*, which is being adapted for film. An avid reader, traveler, and all-around arts lover, Ms. Hahn lives in Columbia, Maryland, with her cat, Oscar. Visit her online at www.marydowninghahnbooks.com.

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