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“...a satisfying listening experience of a complex and imaginative novel.”

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### About the Author

CATHERYNNNE M. VALENTE's first major novel, *The Orphan's Tales*, won the James Tiptree Jr. Award and was nominated for the World Fantasy Award. Her next, *Palimpsest*, was nominated for the Hugo Award, and her recent YA phenomenon *The Girl Who Circumnavigated Fairyland in a Ship of Her Own Making* is a *New York Times* bestseller that earned starred reviews from all three major review outlets. Valente lives on a small island off the coast of Maine with her partner, two dogs, and a cat.

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