



[The Extraordinaries](#) by TJ Klune

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*Age Range: 13-18 (Suggested by Publisher)

BOOK SYNOPSIS

Some people are extraordinary. Some are just extra. *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling author TJ Klune's YA debut, *The Extraordinaries*, is a queer coming-of-age story about a fanboy with ADHD and the heroes he loves.

Nick Bell? Not extraordinary. But being the most popular fanfiction writer in the Extraordinaries fandom is a superpower, right?

After a chance encounter with Shadow Star, Nova City's mightiest hero (and Nick's biggest crush), Nick sets out to make himself extraordinary. And he'll do it with or without the reluctant help of Seth Gray, Nick's best friend (and maybe the love of his life).

Rainbow Rowell's *Fangirl* meets Marissa Meyer's *Renegades* in TJ Klune's YA debut.

REVIEWS AND PRAISE

An Indie Bestseller!

An Indie Next Pick!

A Gold Nautilus Book Award Winner!

One of Goodread's "Most Anticipated YA Novels of 2020"

One of BuzzFeed's "YA Fantasy Books We Can't Wait to Read in 2020"

One of BookPage's "Most Anticipated YA Summer Reads"

"Is it possible to fall in love with someone's imagination? If so, consider me fully smitten. TJ Klune creates worlds where fear and threat can be conquered by kindness, and a tender, queer heart is more valuable than any weapon or power." —David Levithan

"Uproariously funny, this razor-sharp book is half a love-letter to fandom, half self-aware satire, and wholly lovable. I haven't read anything quite like this before!" —Sophie Gonzales, author of *Only Mostly Devastated*

"The most down-to-earth book about superheroes I've ever read. I laughed, I cried, and I had a smile on my face the entire time I was reading it" —Mason Deaver, bestselling author of *I Wish You All the Best*

"TJ Klune is doing powerful work that inspires and impresses. He is a gift to our troubled times, and his novels are a radiant treat to all who discover them." —*Locus*

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“Klune plays with superhero genre tropes and fan-fiction clichés with the skill of a true fan—completely aware of their ridiculousness but in love with them anyway. Hilarious, sweet, and absolutely super!” —[Kirkus](#)

“If you're looking for a book to read and then reread several times before the next Spider-Man movie releases, this will be perfect.” —*Buzzfeed*

“Klune’s deliberate use of traditional comic book themes, such as masking one's identity, mirror common struggles faced by neurodiverse and LGBTQIAP+ youth; this thoughtful approach urges readers to embrace their true selves.” —*Shelf Awareness*, starred review

“Part superhero homage, part sigh-worthy romance, part action-packed adventure, this novel is all kinds of comical fun... plenty of genuine laugh-out-loud moments.” —*Bulletin Center for Children’s Books*

“Just what teens who devour the CW's DC shows and Marvel's cinematic universe films need to tide them over as they await new seasons of superhero television.” —*BookPage*

“Klune’s romp is irresistibly readable.... Readers will be delighted!” —[Booklist](#)

“Nick’s ADHD and almost comical optimism combine to make a charming and entertaining hero[.] There’s plenty in this lighthearted, superhero-interested teen dramedy for kids who feel like they’re sometimes on the outside, including the positive representation of a teen with ADHD.” —[Publishers Weekly](#)

“Klune takes cues from Peter Milligan’s classic queer comic Enigma, with an Everyman bewildered by the superhero story that seems to revolve around him. Hand to teens involved in fandom, writers of fan fiction, lovers of superhero stories, and queer romance readers.” —[School Library Journal](#)

Praise for TJ Klune

“TJ Klune is a master storyteller.” —*The Mary Sue*

“If ever there was an author to watch out for, [Klune] is definitely that author.” —*Culturess Daily*

AWARDS AND ACCOLADES

- Nautilus Book Award - Gold
- Amazon.com Best Books of the Year

MEDIA AND RESOURCES

- [Los Angeles Public Library interview](#)
- [WMUK interview](#)
- [Campaign for the American Reader interview](#)
- [Writer Interviews interview](#)
- [Big Gay Fiction Podcast interview](#)
- [Nerd Daily interview](#)

*A NOTE ON AGE RANGES

A publisher-suggested age range covers the gamut of readers that publishers envision using the book, whether for independent reading, family sharing, group study, or in other ways. Educators have the best sense of the

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appropriate age range for the diverse learners they work with and understand these ranges vary depending on a book's intended use.

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