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Editorial Review

From Publishers Weekly

The heroine of Boston Jane, whom PW called an "outspoken, self-reliant young woman readers will long remember," returns for Boston Jane: Wilderness Days by Jennifer L. Holm. As the novel opens, Jane receives news that her father has passed away in Boston. Her ex-fiance describes his plans to move all of the Washington Territory's Shoalwater Bay Indians to a reservation. Ages 10-up.

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From School Library Journal

Grade 6-10-Boston Jane is as feisty as ever, but with a distinctively sharper edge. And with good reason. She has endured several months with smelly, uncouth old men, in less-than-pristine living conditions, in the wilderness of Washington Territory. Now, to increase her emotional burdens, the "proper" young woman from Philadelphia receives word that her father has died. The challenges of the wilderness begin to bring out the worst in her; she is prickly and feels unappreciated by those around her. Trusting a "gentleman" stranger, she inadvertently puts a friend's life in danger and she and two companions, one of whom is a love interest, trek through the wilds to reach the Stevens Negotiations between the Indians and the territorial government representatives, including Jane's pompous former fiance. She comes to recognize her true friends as she braves adverse conditions and returns to Shoalwater Bay with her emotional wounds less raw, and her retorts less sharp. Readers unfamiliar with Boston Jane: An Adventure (HarperCollins, 2001) are quickly brought up to speed on the previous events and memorable characters. Details are interestingly revealed and are, for the most part, historically accurate. The Stevens Negotiations actually took place, although the timing has been changed. (Holm acknowledges this in an author's note.) The depiction of life in the wilderness reflects experiences found in first-person accounts of pioneer women in the 1850s. Holm once again delivers an action-packed story with a strong female protagonist.-Carolyn Janssen, Children's Learning Center of the Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County, OH

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From [Booklist](#)

Gr. 5-8. Holm continues the saga of the intrepid Miss Jane Peck, a 16-year-old Philadelphian who, in *Boston Jane* (2001), traveled by ship to Washington Territory to meet a fiance who married someone else. In this story, she receives news of her father's death, befriends a mysterious stranger who inquires after her protector, Mr. Russell, and then must trek through the wilderness to prevent the stranger from committing murder. Although Jane is maturing and has moved beyond her blind allegiance to the rules of Philadelphia etiquette, she still has concerns about propriety and appreciates a few civilized luxuries. These worries and her stubbornness lead to more than a few misunderstandings, especially with Jehu, the sailor-turned-settler who loves her. As always, Holm keeps her touch light, sly, and humorous. The dichotomy of Jane's attempts to inhabit a "proper" world in the soggy, flea-bitten wilderness of 1854 Washington Territory is funny and romantic and should have wide appeal. *Kay Weisman*

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