

About the Book

Arianna Kelt and the Wizards of Skyhall is the debut novel of teen author J. R. King! J.R. King's twelve-year-old antihero turned hero, Arianna Kelt, is a reformed thief and wizard seer. Now you wouldn't think being a wizard seer would be such a big deal, but it is a big deal to the Wizards of Skyhall. For you see, those particular wizards are sworn to protect the citizens of Earth from all the things they shouldn't know about--namely wizards, warlocks, and all the creatures of the magical realms that no humans should know exist.

Certainly Arianna would like to blame all her troubles on donuts--the vile, corrupting food that has caused her problems more than once--but she couldn't. Well, not quite. The truth was she got nabbed sneaking a piece of cherry cobbler, and just when she thought her luck was running out, she saw the wizard, and of course, seeing the wizard got her into a whole new barrel of problems.

Full of humor, action, and adventure, you'll be rolling on the floor with laughter, sitting on the edge of your seat, and turning pages so fast the Law Gnomes will be out to get you too. Enter Skyhall and become a wizard if you dare!

About the Author

13-year-old JR King's debut novel is Arianna Kelt and the Wizards of Skyhall,

an epic fantasy novel of courage, bravery, honor, and epic battles between good and evil. Rights to King's novel have been sold in several countries. King's book will fit in well with readers of Chris Paolini's *Eragon* and Nancy Yi Fan's *Swordbird*. Currently, King is working on the second novel in this well-planned, well written trilogy.

Notes From the Publisher

We knew "Arianna Kelt and the Wizards of Skyhall" was a very special book as soon as we read it. We were even more amazed when we found out the author at the time was only 12 years old. This is a great story full of humor, action, and adventure, and a story that will you'll remember long after you finish it. We invite you to read "Arianna Kelt and the Wizards of Skyhall" and see for yourself why we think this is such a special book.

Notes From the Author

I've always loved reading. My favorite books are filled with humor, action, and adventure. I've been writing stories and reading them to friends and in school for as long as I can remember. When I was in the fourth grade I started writing even more stories, and my teacher encouraged me to write a book. I started several books, but it wasn't until I started writing "Arianna Kelt and the Wizards of Skyhall" that I really put my heart into it. "Arianna Kelt and the Wizards of Skyhall" is the first book in the Wizards of Skyhall trilogy.

I finished writing the book when I was twelve. My sixth-grade teacher encouraged me to try to get it published. I tried and tried and in six months time I had several interested publishers, but the problem was they didn't know I was a kid. When I got another letter from a local publisher, I decided to tell them I was only twelve. They were so nice that that's the publisher I decided to have as my publisher. The publisher worked with me for over a year on the book.

My whole point in writing "Arianna Kelt and the Wizards of Skyhall" was to create the kind of book that I loved reading. I wanted it to be a really good book, and I worked very hard to make sure it had everything I think makes a good book. I hope when you read it you think it's cool. If I've succeeded, I hope you'll spread the word. Tell your friends.

My favorite part of the book is how the wizards protect the people of earth from all the bad things, and how the wizards can step through portals to travel to other worlds and dimensions. I like how Arianna was a bad kid who becomes a force for good. As I wrote about Arianna, Meilan, Ranth, and all the rest, they became like good friends. The growing friendship between Arianna, Meilan, and Ranth is strong and an important part of the story.

I hope you like the wizarding universe I created. I tried to make it as real and complex as our own with strange new worlds and places to visit around every corner.