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### Editorial Review

#### From School Library Journal

Gr 9 Up—Prenna's life is shrouded in secrecy and intimidation. She's part of a select group of people who not only survived the Blood Plagues but also immigrated to present-day New York from more than 80 years in the future. Bound by rules that force her to sacrifice her personal freedoms and isolate herself from the local community, also known as Time Natives, Prenna can't help developing a close, yet guarded friendship with a classmate, Ethan Jarves. Both high schoolers are gifted science students who have more than a friendly, academic attraction, but physical contact with Ethan could endanger him as well as Prenna and the other Travelers. When a local indigent man, who mysteriously knows about the Travelers' origins, prophesizes a time fork on May 17, Ethan and Prenna are launched into a plan to stop a murder that could save the future of mankind. The story moves along at a compelling pace with enough foreshadowing and plot twists to keep the pages turning. The sense of adventure as the teens escape Prenna's corrupt leaders and fight off a murderer is stronger than the romance between the two. Older teens may enjoy the more palpable romance in Brashares's book for adults, *My Name Is Memory* (Riverhead, 2010), in which a love story transcends time. The Here and Now has a satisfying ending that only slightly hints at what would be a welcome sequel.—Lynn Rashid, Marriotts Ridge High School, Marriottsville, MD

#### From Booklist

Prenna and her doctor mom are not your average immigrants. No, they have immigrated to New York from the 2090s, a future of climate-change extremes and mosquito-borne plagues that wipe out entire families and civilizations. The few who have survived the plagues and the journey back to 2010 have been charged with two challenges: change the course of environmental history and assimilate into the culture without disclosing their origins or becoming intimate with the natives. Prenna knows her friendship with Ethan is "red-flag behavior." When an elderly homeless man warns her that she and Ethan must prevent a murder on May 17, 2014—just days away—she realizes she must defy the community and its counselors for civilization's greater good. Brashares, author of the *Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants* series and other YA novels, builds on her adroit adolescent characterization and ear for teen dialogue and ports them into an exciting time-travel adventure complete with murderers to thwart and mysteries to solve. The book's environmental message won't be missed by readers, but this is a cautionary tale rather than a didactic screed. **HIGH-DEMAND BACKSTORY:** The gargantuan success of the *Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants* series ensures great demand for Brashares' latest. A multi-platform marketing campaign seals the deal. Grades 7-10. --Frances Bradburn

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- *Teen Vogue*

"Best known for her *Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants* books, Brashares forays into science fiction in this fast-paced, gripping, and romantic novel about a girl from a future that seems eerily possible. . . her fans will be happy to find that her prose is as resonant and realistic as ever."

- *Publishers Weekly*

"Brashares . . . builds on her adroit adolescent characterization and ear for teen dialogue and transports them into an exciting time-travel adventure complete with murderers to thwart and mysteries to solve."

- *Booklist*

"Skillfully weaving together time travel, planetary devastation, climate change, plague and young love, the author creates an engaging, adventurous tale."

- *Shelf-Awareness*

"Brashares' era-hopping race against time is fast paced and heady...perfect for fans of Brasahres' earlier work, as well as Veronica Roth's Divergent."

- *RT Book Reviews*

"Fantasy and science fiction fans will enjoy the intricate cause-and-effect Brashares defines in her story. Filled with suspense and spiced with romance, the story will satisfy any reader who appreciates a well told story. [Brashares] is at the top of her game."

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