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The death of her cherished friend and guide Nemo, the alien squidmoth, came as a crushing blow to J.D. Sauvage. But J.D. and the first contact crew of the Earth ship Starfarer hope that the enigmatic being's legacy - the starship Nautilus - will lead them closer to communion with alien intelligence. Awaiting them on their journey are the representatives of the Four Worlds and one last chance to join interstellar Civilization, from which Earth has long been barred.

But first J.D. and her fellow wayfarers must convince the aliens that humanity is worthy of Civilization. It is an argument that they will find hard to win, given humanity's violent past. What's worse, they don't have much time to win it. For the cosmic string that can guide the Starfarer home is fast unraveling. Soon the beleaguered crew will have to make a decision that will affect all the people of Earth: whether to turn back to Earth while there's still time - or make one last desperate effort to win over their implacable alien hosts.

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Elsa Lacruz says

Buen final para la saga, que me ha tenido enganchadísima.

Responde a la pregunta de cómo sería un primer contacto si lo llevasen científicos y académicos, nos da aliens de diferentes clases y conflictos personales que hay que solucionar para que la expedición no termine en desastre.

Me encantaría otra saga a partir del final de este libro, aunque ahora puedo imaginarme yo lo que quiera.

Phil says

Pretty decent read. The ending was a little unexpected but I can deal.

Sandy says

Finally finished this; not sure why it took as long as it did. I enjoyed the story, and the hopeful/optimistic wrap-up of the series. I wanted to shake Stephen Thomas for CONSTANTLY making assumptions about other people without checking to see if they had any basis in reality or not, and was glad when he finally pulled his head out.

Dr. Eve L says

A disappointing conclusion. Two an a half stars.

Harriet says

Ebook. Good conclusion to the series. The important issues are resolved and the ending, while a bit too fast at the very end, does have happy promise.

Knemesis says

One of the final novels in a series that I *wasn't* disappointed by.

Jeff Youngstrom says

My review from June 24, 1997

Freyja says

This is the jackpot for alien contact. I couldn't put the book down as I wanted to see who they'd meet next. If I say too much, there will be spoilers, but I will say that it was very worthwhile to befriend the squidmoth.

Althea Ann says

This finishes up the 4-volume Starfarer series...

Alien Contact specialist JD inherits a starship from a squidmoth, the Starfarer team meets the various alien inhabitants of a 4-planet system, and tries to get humanity accepted by interstellar Civilization, even as they deal with both political and interpersonal issues amongst themselves...

Cathy says

Overall a very nice series. Very hopeful, a bit naive and a bit outdated, but also charming, thoughtful and lovely in many ways. The characters were very engaging and diverse. Some of the ideas of what alien life would be like were very creative. And the ship was just wonderful, much nicer than even my charming suburb. If I could travel the stars like that, I'd be off in a heartbeat (if they let dogs come along, of course).
