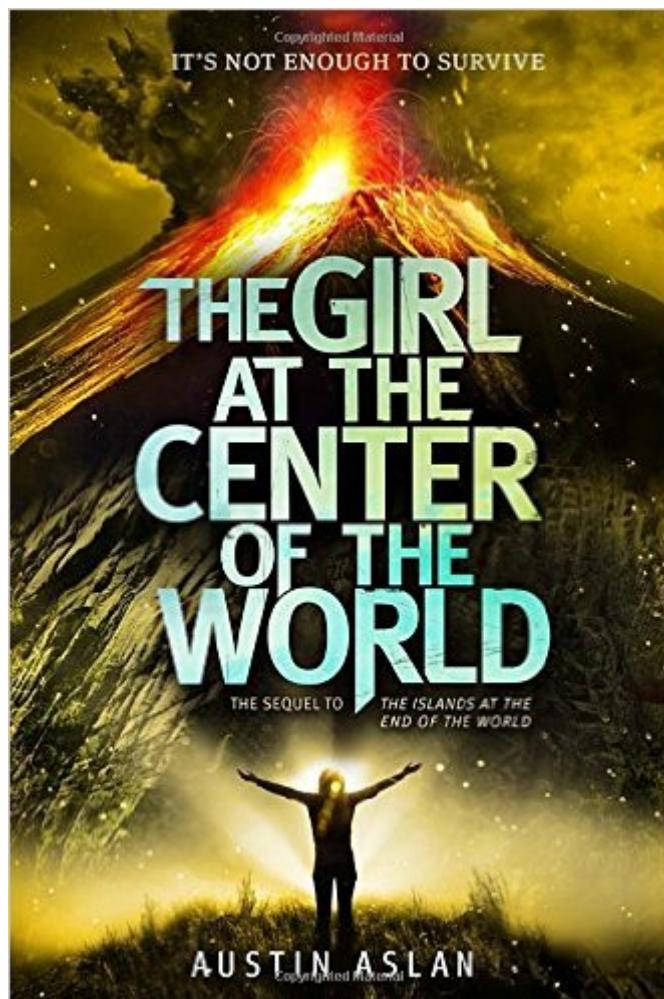


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# The Girl At The Center Of The World



## Synopsis

In this fast-paced, exhilarating sequel to the acclaimed *The Islands at the End of the World*, Leilani and her family on the Big Island of Hawaiâ™i face the challenge of survival in the world of the Emerald Orchid, a green presence that appeared in the sky after a global blackout. As the Hawaiian Islands go back to traditional ways of living, people must grow their own food and ration everything from gas to bullets. Medicine is scarce; a simple infection can mean death. Old tensions and new enemies emerge. And one girl, Leilani, is poised to save her world.

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Age Range: 12 - 17 years

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## Customer Reviews

Disclosure: I received a review copy from the publisher in exchange for a honest review/blog tour.4 1/2 stars. Aslan hits another home run with *The Girl at the Center of the World*, the final installment in his dystopian thriller of a sixteen-year-old Hawaiian girl trying to save her family and the entire world. The Girl at the Center of the World picks up approximately three months after the first book. Leilani and her family are trying their best to survive in this post-apocalyptic world without technology. Any semblance of their prior lives is long gone, as they have to learn to farm for most of their food, barter for other necessities, and just basically survive from day-to-day because thereâ™s no more laws or order. Gangs/Tribes run rampant in the streets, controlling areas of

Hawaii or people self electing themselves as judge, jury and executioner. In the first book, readers got to glimpse life before and during the apocalypse but now we're experiencing the aftermath and it's just as terrifying as you'd think. Leilani and her father thought it would be safer in the rural area of Hilo, away from the big cities but it was far from it. Aslan painted a vivid image of despair and chaos with people being attacked, stores looted just a grim idea of what the world would look like if technology was taken out of the equation. Society as a whole would start to crumble, with the police unable to protect the citizens and hospitals unable to heal. It's scary how plausible it is, especially since societies nowadays are so dependent on technology for every single thing. While the first book mainly focused on Leilani and her father Mike, which I didn't mind at all. I was happy to see more characters entering the mix.

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