

# ALICIA SILVERSTONE AND ADRIAN GRENIER NARRATE NEW CLIMATE CHANGE NOVEL

An original and delightfully thrilling adventure: a fresh and global love story for the ages

## About the Book:

"A lively nature-oriented superhero adventure...the heart of the tale comes together in the final pages." - *Kirkus Reviews*

A super boy from a village in China and a super girl from rural Vermont meet in college and fall in love. Both grapple with their unique powers and purpose. Will they master their abilities in time to save each other and the ecosystem from certain destruction? And what twists does life have in store? Originally released in early 2019, Landis is re-releasing an updated version of her environmental YA fantasy as well as adding an audiobook format in April 2020, to celebrate Earth Day.

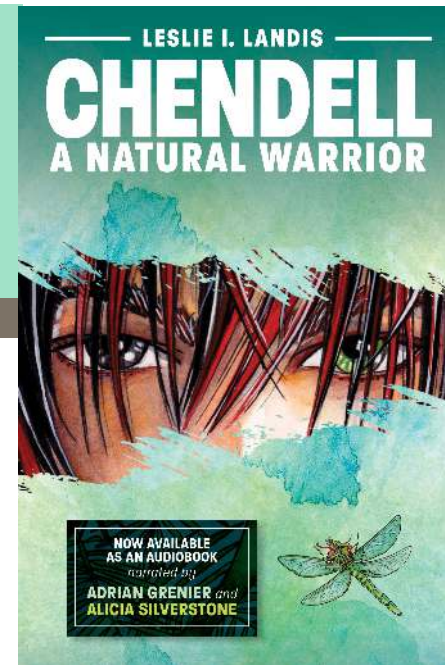
While on a research trip to the Peruvian rainforest, Robin Dell and Jamie Chen's lives (and consciousness) are changed forever when they drink a shaman's brew and are transformed into CHENDELL. Two halves of one person. A dual consciousness – female and male – in one body. This new being is streamlined. Eurasian. With one green eye and one dark brown eye. Shoulder length hair that is half auburn and half black. As CHENDELL, their fight is to save our environment from the people responsible for ecocide and biocide – the willful destruction of the environment and the annihilation of living organisms.

Individually, Robin can control insects and Jamie can communicate and control trees and plants. When joined as CHENDELL their powers are enhanced. Their senses are extremely acute. Their strength is exceptionally strong. Their mind is lightning quick. And their powers are extensively increased – not only with trees, plants, and insects – but also with other living creatures. All of nature is their ally.

Finally, Nature has a hero.

## Talking Points:

- Is battling climate change already a lost cause?
- Ways Leslie hopes that her novel will inspire young people to be environmentalists
- What are ways that young people can start taking care of the environment
- How does Leslie's psychology background tie in with the way she forms her characters and plot?
- Why did Leslie choose a boy and a girl to combine, and does CHENDELL's dual gender have a particular meaning? How might this affect their romantic relationship?
- How can celebrities like Silverstone and Grenier bring climate change and the environment to light?



## BOOK DETAILS

**Young Adult**

**Fantasy Series (Book 1)**

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**Product Size:** 5 x 8 in

## Timely Tie-Ins:

- D.E.A.R. Month (drop everything and read)- April
- Earth Day - April 22
- Tell a Story Day - April 27
- Independent Bookstore Day- April 27
- Audiobook Month - June

## About the Author:

Leslie Landis has been a teacher, a financial planner, a bank trust officer, worked for a U.S. Senator, an associate director in television and a licensed therapist. Her first book, is a humorous take on our food and diet obsessed culture titled *The Art of Overeating: A Bellyful of Laughs About Our Food-phobic Culture*. *CHENDELL: A Natural Warrior* is her first novel. Leslie lives with her husband in Los Angeles.

Leslie's degree in psychology informs her insight into how people look at the world and themselves. She created relatable characters who reflect the roles we play and the uncertainties of life. With a different take on gender equality and the battle to preserve our environment, her superhero CHENDELL speaks not only to young people but to all generations. In this captivating, exciting and realistic fantasy, Landis' unique writing style presents a message of love, hope and commitment to fighting the real world evil forces destroying our planet.

## Praise:

"CHENDELL starts as a boy-meets-girl story, connecting a girl from the U.S., to a boy in China, told in an unusual compelling format. It is about love and family, but also about insects and trees. When boy and girl become a super couple, the reader accompanies them on a wild, dangerous journey, and then, when your heart is in your throat, something happens that is shocking, unique and utterly heartwarming. Leslie Landis has written a tale I'll never forget. Bravo!"

**- Best selling author Thom Racina**

"Everything you ever wanted in a fantastical story but were afraid to ask! A superhero story packed with a delightful page turning packet of ingredients—adventure, love plus humor and wit. Be prepared to be invested in the Landis characters and swept up into their world and their dreams. CHENDELL and its heroes Jamie Chen and Robin Dell are just begging to be given the big screen treatment."

**- Ivor Davis, Author of "Ladies and Gentlemen... The Penguins!" and "The Beatles and Me on Tour."**



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