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Joan D. Vinge : The Snow Queen before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Snow Queen:

5 of 5 people found the following review helpful. Short Version with Glorious IllustrationsBy J. JamakayaThis "Snow Queen" book is a concise edited version with fabulous drawings that illustrate the adventures of Gerda as she searches for her friend Kai. I was compelled to reread "Snow Queen" after seeing Disney's "Frozen" and this was the perfect edition for me. It's actually subtitled "A Retelling" of the Hans Christian Andersen tale because it's condensed from the original. Despite its brevity, it captures all the main elements of the classic story. The best feature of this handsome hardcover is the colorful and imaginative illustrations by Bagram Ibatouline: the wicked troll whose mirror blinds Kai and freezes his heart; the old woman, the crow, the prince and princess, and the robber girl who help Gerda in her quest; the northern lights that guide the way to the Snow Queen; and the Snow Queen herself. The book is aimed at kids ages 4-8 but I don't see why anyone of any age couldn't enjoy it. I'm middle-aged and it's a lovely addition to my book collection.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Amazing, and Glad It's Back!By Jennifer RoushOne of my all-time favorite novels. The Snow Queen is a great story, if you want to read it at that level, with a steady quick pace and just one twist after another that loops into a seamless ending. But if you want to dig deeper, the book has a lot to say about love, civilization, politics, justice, and how it is that we come to be who we are. There's a great nature-vs-nurture debate in the characters. I love it because, like Dune, it's a book I can read over and over again and still find something I didn't quite see before.Joan D. Vinge is an amazing author, who battled some serious traumatic head injury that put her career on hold. But I hope for and continue to wait for more books from this talented author (This series, of which this is the first book, has at least three other books to it). I make sure she is part of my personal library wherever I go.This book was out of print for a while, and I am glad it is back on the shelves for another generation.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Great Version with good illustrationsBy M.M.F.My grandmother sent this particular version of the snow queen to my sisters and I when we were little, and nearly 35 years later I could still remember clearly the haunting images of the Snow Queen peering into a frosted window. So, I bought a copy. The story remains mostly true to the original, which is important for those of us who are purists about our fairy tales. I'm not inclined to share this with most children, but every so often I end up with a child in my class who has a bit of a morbid way to them and will enjoy stories like this.

This reissue of a modern classic of science fiction, the Hugo and Locus Award-winning and Nebula-nominated *The Snow Queen*, marks the first time the book has been reprinted in fifteen years. The imperious Winter colonists have ruled the planet Tiamat for 150 years, deriving wealth from the slaughter of the sea mers. But soon the galactic

stargate will close, isolating Tiamat, and the 150-year reign of the Summer primitives will begin. Their only chance at surviving the change is if Arienrhod, the ageless, corrupt Snow Queen, can destroy destiny with an act of genocide. Arienrhod is not without competition as Moon, a young Summer-tribe sibyl, and the nemesis of the Snow Queen, battles to break a conspiracy that spans space. Interstellar politics, a millennia-long secret conspiracy, and a civilization whose hidden machineries might still control the fate of worlds all form the background to this spectacular hard science fiction novel from Joan D. Vinge.

About the Author JOAN D. VINGE is the winner of two Hugo Awards, one for her novel *The Snow Queen*. She has written nearly twenty books, including her Cat novels, *Psion*, *Catspaw*, and *Dreamfall*, and the other Snow Queen cycle novels, *World's End*, *The Summer Queen*, and *Tangled Up in Blue*. She has had a number of bestselling film adaptations published, including the #1 bestselling *The Return of the Jedi Storybook* and novelizations of *Return to Oz* and *Willow*, among others. She lives in Madison, Wisconsin.

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