

19th Annual Writer's Digest Self-Published Book Awards

Author: Nicholas Ralph Baum

Title: jacc in the box

Category: Genre Fiction

Judge: 9

On a scale of 1 to 5, with 1 meaning "poor" and 5 meaning "excellent," please evaluate the following:

Plot: 4

Grammar: 3

Character Development: 3

Production quality and cover design: 4

Judge's commentary:

What did you like best about this book?

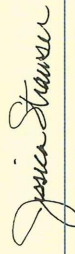
Sharp cover! Really lively writing. You have a keen sense for the everyday objects of the future. A really creative premise. The sardonic sense of humor is consistently effective. Your writing is impressively natural.

How can the author improve this book?

Occasionally a few too many mundane details (you don't have to tell us everything). All the talking gets tiresome. More action! Some of the analogies are too obvious (p. 181, Queensbury, Sade, Sherman's March). At some point you have to stop being witty and come up with some sincere moments.

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Recognition of Participation
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