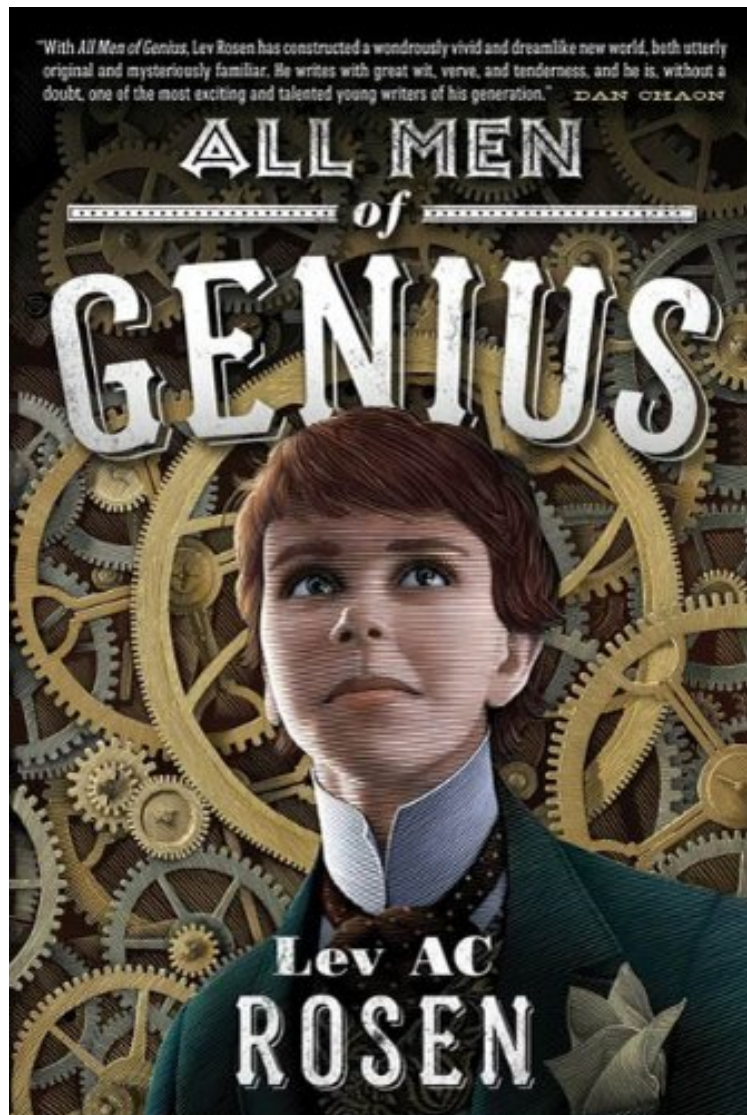


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**Von Lev A. C. Rosen : All Men of Genius** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised All Men of Genius:

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich.  
Wonderful heroine in a fantastically devised steampunk Victorian LondonVon MinaWhat an amazing read! It's by no means a short book, but I read it in two days: young Violet Adams is a genius if there ever was one. She invents and builds machines, automatons and a lot of really practical tools for each and every requirement. So for her there is only one way to spend her life: as a scientist. But Illyria College where she so desperately wants to study at, doesn't admit

women even in the steampunk version, Victorian age is not a good time for woman's equality and liberation. But since Violet is really desperate and conveniently has a twin brother, she risks everything and enrolls disguised as her brother. And this college is such a great place to read about. There is such a vast array of odd personnel and students and each of them is so realistically fleshed out and that made this an immensely entertaining story. As the 3rd person POV changes constantly, each character's perspective is shown and the good thing is that there is not a single POV I disliked, not even the mad villain's. Yes, there is a mad scientist villain. Anyway, the POV changes widen the scope and the story feels vast although it does only cover a few months in which Violet is studying at Illyria. Violet is an interesting and multifaceted heroine and her plotting and trying to fit in and learning how to behave as a man are hilarious. And even better: there is actually romance of the very good kind, the kind where the slow falling in love is shown and is therefore so incredibly believable. The mere action is not very distinct Violet is at College, blending in and plotting her unveiling her sex after having devised some ingenious automaton. Additionally there are the personal struggles she and each of the other characters try to handle and yes, there is even a showdown of a kind [that is admittedly a bit predictable at a later phase of the book, but I didn't mind]. But no, if you're looking for action, this is not really for you. But if you're wont to amuse yourself with good and thorough [steampunk] world building including automatons and tinkering heroines fighting for their rights, this totally is for you. It certainly was for me.

**Kurzbeschreibung** Inspired by two of the most beloved works by literary masters, *All Men of Genius* takes place in an alternate Steampunk Victorian London, where science makes the impossible possible. Violet Adams wants to attend Illyria College, a widely renowned school for the most brilliant up-and-coming scientific minds, founded by the late Duke Illyria, the greatest scientist of the Victorian Age. The school is run by his son, Ernest, who has held to his father's policy that the small, exclusive college remain male-only. Violet sees her opportunity when her father departs for America. She disguises herself as her twin brother, Ashton, and gains entry. But keeping the secret of her sex won't be easy, not with her friend Jack's constant habit of pulling pranks, and especially not when the duke's young ward, Cecily, starts to develop feelings for Violet's alter ego, "Ashton." Not to mention blackmail, mysterious killer automata, and the way Violet's pulse quickens whenever the young duke, Ernest (who has a secret past of his own), speaks to her. She soon realizes that it's not just keeping her secret until the end of the year faire she has to worry about: it's surviving that long. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

**Pressestimmen** Rosen's lighthearted debut puts a steampunk spin on the Victorian comedy of manners while sneakily critiquing the gender biases of both genres. Decommissioned robots, mysterious mechanisms, strange squid creatures, blackmail, and a number of vivid characters add up to a great deal of fun. Publishers Weekly A nimble twist on Victorian romance that's woven into Rosen's intricate web of attractions, repulsions, and matrimonial machinations. But he never lets his mesh of relationships--or his fluid, playful views of sexuality--overwhelm a sprawl of vibrant, witty characters. Steampunk soap-opera, as elevated as it is, isn't all Rosen has up his sleeve. Tackling the genre at its root, *All Men* slyly examines the psychology and the aesthetics behind the act of human invention. The Onion A.V. Club, A-Rosen writes with color and verve, particularly in his descriptions of mechanical marvels, and also offers moments of unexpected poignancy. Kirkus sFits well on the shelf with Gail Carriger's *Parasol Protectorate* series, with broad crossover appeal to fans of SF, historical romance, and young adult fiction. Library Journal

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