



TAKESHITA DEMONS by **CRISTY BURNE**

TAKESHITA DEMONS is a pacy adventure story by Victoria Park author **CRISTY BURNE**.

- Winner of the **Frances Lincoln Diverse Voices Childrens Book Award**
- Selected for the BookTrust's **2010 Booked Up** program.
- Selected to be part of the **BBC's Blue Peter Book Club** in 2011
- One of the UK Sunday Times' "**great summer reads**"

Takeshita Demons (pronounced Ta-kesh-ta and meaning 'under the bamboo') is the first novel in an action-packed adventure series featuring demons from Japanese folklore. Book 2, **THE FILTH LICKER**, will be published in 2011 and **MONSTER MATSURI** is scheduled for 2012.

The series protagonist, Miku Takeshita, is a Japanese girl whose family has moved to the UK but the supernatural *yokai* (Japanese demons) have followed them there to wreak havoc.



About Cristy Burne:

Cristy has worked for several years in Japan and wrote *Takeshita Demons* while living in London.

A science writer by training, Cristy has worked as editor of CSIRO's *Scientriffic* magazine and with the Questacon Science Circus.

She has recently appeared at the 2011 Perth Writer's Festival and at the All Saints Literature Festival in Perth, WA.

Melbourne Age: *"Two young girls being brave and clever without a hint of pink or glitter on the cover? Hooray!"*

The West Australian: *"...rollicking...This exciting, intriguing story is aimed at 8 to 12-year-olds but captures adult attention very quickly..."*

International Board on Books for Young People: *"...exactly the kind of story the children in my class would love..."*

WriteAway, UK: *"A gripping, superbly written debut novel"*

The Reading Stack, Aus: *"combines the action and exoticism of Japanese anime with a classic tale of friendship and good versus evil"*

LoveReading, UK: *"contemporary adventure wittily shot through with the powerful fantasy stories of the old demons from the Japanese past"*

BookTrust, UK: *"action-packed and gripping adventure story"*

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