

# GIRL IN THE HAT SHOP

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## Key selling points

- A gripping blend of historical events and the supernatural.
- Inspired by extracts from real wartime diaries.
- An emotional and thoughtful look at the diverse society of 1940s London.

## About the book

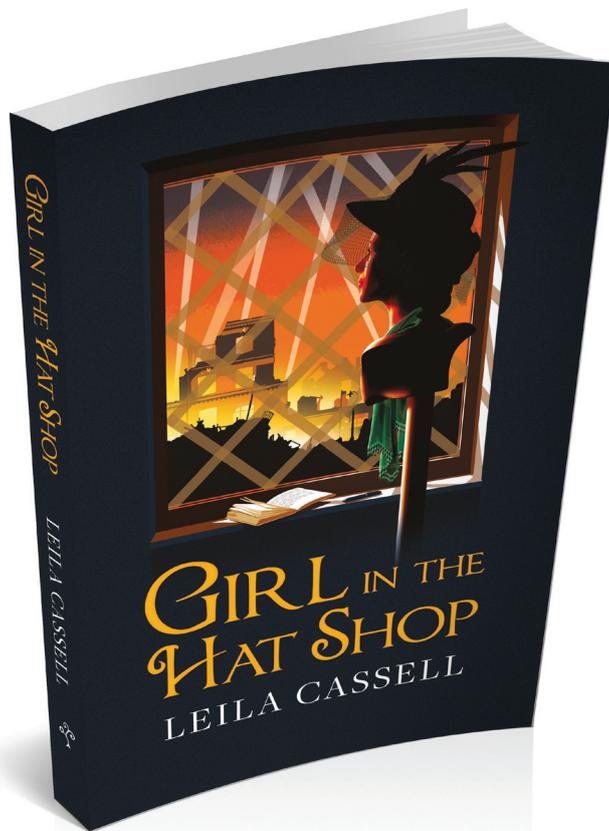
The year is 1940. Fay is a salesgirl in a Mayfair hat shop. But Fay is no ordinary girl. She sees things before they happen and, forbidden by her mother to speak about the visions that have clouded her life since she was a child, she has learnt to stay silent.

Now, with the threat of invasion on everyone's mind, she must speak up, and in a climate of prejudice and suspicion a Jewish girl from Willesden becomes the target of attention. Followed, watched, threatened with imprisonment, and suspected of being in league with the enemy, she discovers that she's not the first member of her family to be plagued by visions.

From the privileged lives of Mayfair's aristocracy to the neglected tenants of Stepney, from nights sheltering in luxury at the Savoy to those huddled in an Anderson shelter, *Girl in the Hat Shop* is a story of courage, class distinction and family secrets in wartime London.

## About the author

Born in North London, Leila was a bright child but managed to disappoint her father by being expelled from grammar school. A secretarial course led to the one career she never wanted – office work – but her ability to touch-type at speed proved useful when, years later, she began to write short stories. Now retired, Leila has had success with her poetry and short stories and runs workshops for gifted young writers at her old primary school.



## WILL THEY BELIEVE HER?

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