

***Last Call at the Local* by Sarah Grunder Ruiz**

*Last Call at the Local* is a sweet rom-com unlike any I've ever read before. Author Sarah Grunder Ruiz's two main characters have major mental health struggles, and she does a very good job of describing what daily life is like for people who struggle with Obsessive Compulsive Disorder and Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder.

Raine Hart has ADHD. Her life plan was to become a doctor like her parents; but medical school was too much. Her real passion is music, so she throws all the expectations out the door and heads to Europe to play music on the street and sleep in hostels. This new nomadic life suits her, but things go dreadfully wrong when her prized guitar and equipment are stolen in a tiny Irish town. With a dead cell phone in hand, she heads to the local pub to decide what to do. There she meets Jack Dunne – instant connection and an instant job offer. Jack is a former tattoo artist, but due to his OCD he is no longer able to work effectively. He needs help bringing the pub alive since he inherited it from his domineering father. They set a deadline of 12 weeks – time for her to earn enough money to replace her equipment and bring life to the pub.

As they get to know each other – and their respective struggles – they bring each other to life too.