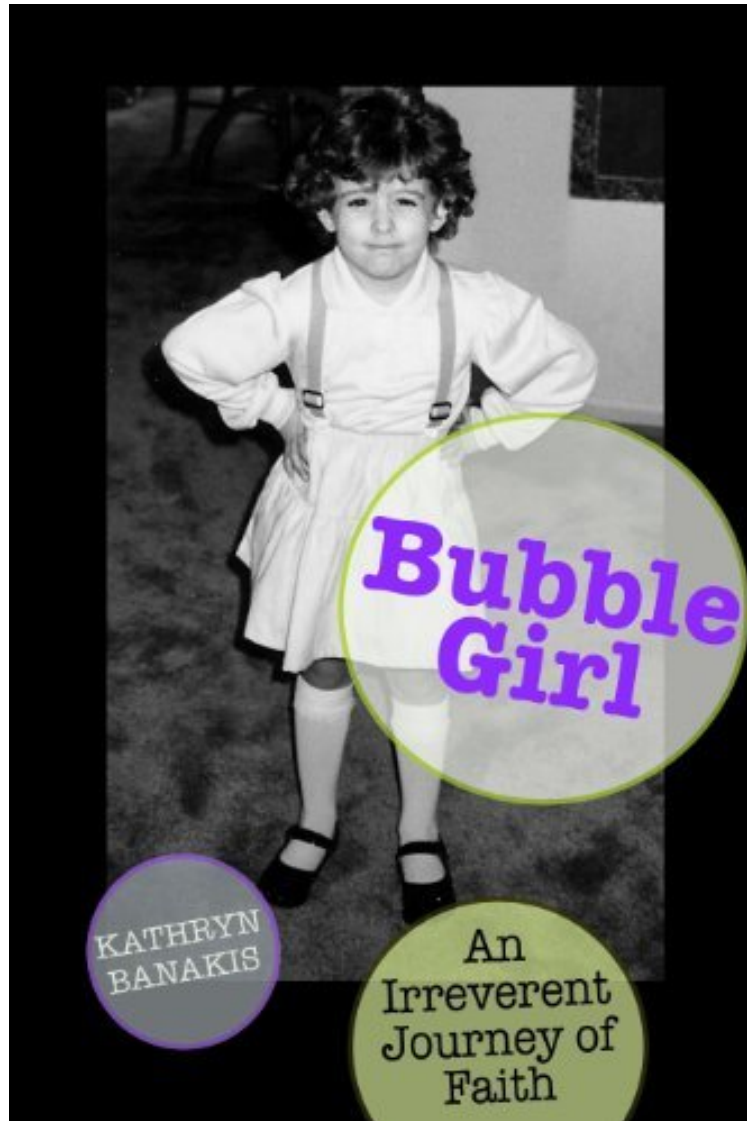


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Kundenrezensionen Hilfreichste Kundenrezensionen 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Fresh voice, old faith Von Christoph Hahn She is a Pastor, a poet and possibly a prophet: Kat Banakis is one of the new voices within American Christendom. That is to say: Christendom in less churchy times. She's not Ms. Perfect, doesn't want to be that either, but some kind of a fellow traveller fellow traveller of a great many number seeking orientation und fulfilment within the framework of the churches. Her's journey towards faith is that of many: Meandering (Our

hearts are restless till they find rest in You, knows St. Augustine) through culture, society and institutions. For a considerable time, this has been part of Banakis' story. And the journey has not yet ended. Kat's quintessential work, her life, is one in progress. She shares her experiences in a book, which she herself calls a memoir. *Bubble Girl* it is called. *Bubble Girl* is a very accessible, readable book. Kat Banakis is very much within her own story. But she tells her story in a very inviting way, offers moments and points of identification, She is certainly not an omniscient writer. She presents herself as likeable, somewhat edgy, energetic woman on the move. Kat Banakis is constantly on her way, towards Northern California, Chicago or another destination and towards her faith, on a pilgrimage through a spiritual landscape. It is huge amount of honesty which paves her way to the reader. Kat Banakis appears in no sense like some kind of a Superwoman. Edgy, sometimes joyful but sometimes sad, or even depressed, she stumbles towards wisdom and faith. This is a very encouraging message: Be not ashamed, search and you will find God even under the most impossible circumstances. *Bubble Girl* is not an evangelical story of a sudden conversion. It is rather a journey on a long and winding road. And her author finds God in the deepest depths and in the highest heavens. Ultimately, the persuasiveness of *Bubble Girl* is based on the honesty of the writer-theologian and her transparent style of depicting things. But it is more than a story it is some kind of a Sandwich, the outer layer being the memoir, that life remembered, the inner, the spread, being theology, seasoned by daily life plus wit plus charme. *Bubble Girl* provides a good read and, at least, a ton of food for mind and soul: Questions at the end of each chapter are very apt to ignite further discussion. And there is yet more to come. A new podcast (about the questions that matter) [...], is on his way, devoted at making the wisdom of all great religions useful for leading a good life. Also quite useful: A two-part interview taken from a radio broadcast, [...] und [...].

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Buchrückseite Like many young adults, Kat Banakis struggled to decide how her Christian faith would shape her adult life. Banakis's debut book follows her funny, quirky, wobbly, messy wanderings while helping you reflect on your own faith journey. *Bubble Girl* seamlessly weaves together iconic tales of those in their twenties and thirties - isolation, unemployment, virtual (and real) relationships, and rodent infestations - with theological reflection. Take a solo journey or grab some friends and use *Bubble Girl*'s discussion questions to take the road trip together. "Off-beat...quirky...candid, but not self-indulgent...well-written...The words all fit *Bubble Girl* perfectly. And what they are describing is one of the best, kindest, gentlest, most informative introductions to theology and to the faith of the young-to-middle-aged Christian that I have ever seen. This is one book that should be read both by individuals who love a good read and also by study groups who seek a cordial understanding of what the Church is." -Phyllis Tickle, author of *Emergence Christianity* "Kat Banakis has written a memoir that is too funny to be called 'spiritual.' I did, I really did, laugh out loud....Banakis is very smart, and very honest, and this memoir will help you understand a full call and a full life." -Nora Gallagher, author of *Moonlight Sonata at the Mayo Clinic* "Banakis's humor, transparency, and honesty resonate across generations, while also offering a lucid window into the state of postmodern American young adulthood as it wrestles with faith, organized religion, and even our traditional archetypes of God, gender, and family. But ultimately, as Banakis says, this is a love story between a young woman and God." -Christian Piatt, creator/editor of the *Banned Questions* book series and author of *PregMANcy: A Dad, a Little Dude and a Due Date* "Kat Banakis's book matters because it's not just her story: it's our story, and the story of what it means to be a person of faith (or not) at this moment....There is a 'Bubble Girl' in all of us, and Kat has the temerity to name this, and to allow us to chuckle as we recognize what's really real in her life and our own." -Anne S. Howard, executive director of The Beatitudes Society