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AWARDS

Winner of the Norwegian Fabel Award (2014)
Winner of the Norwegian Booksellers' Grant for kids/YA fiction (2015)
Winner of the ARK Bookchain's "Book of the year" Award (2015)
Winner of the Norwegian South Literary Award (2016)
Winner of the Norwegian Havmann Award (2016)
Shortlisted for the ARK Bookchain's "Book of the year" Award (2017)
Shortlisted for the Norwegian Booksellers' Prize (2013, 2014, 2015, 2017)
Shortlisted for the Norwegian Bookblogger's Prize (2013, 2014, 2015)
Shortlisted for the Norwegian Ministry of Culture's Debut Award (2014)



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Siri Pettersen

Bubble

Abbie feels like a trapped slave. Everything she does, she feels she is forced into. Every morning she is forced to get up, she is forced to go to school, forced to study things she does not need, forced to live with the nickname Bubble, forced to swap whole milk with light milk, forced to take swim class, and forced to sing in the rotten Christmas choir. She is in the hands of someone else's stupid rules, in a shitty town, in a shitty world.

After her worst school day ever, she finds a mysterious glass globe in the cemetery, with a blanket inside. The globe grows into a big bubble, big enough for her to walk in and out of it. It contains the key to the freedom she has wished for, for so long. And it can fly! Finally she can opt out! not care about everybody else and be completely at peace. Just her, and her old rag doll. Forever ...

"a must-read... Bubble has elements of magic, horror and good old-fashioned Norwegian realism. The protagonist is charmingly grumpy, and the book is filled with wise feelings and thoughts about security and belonging."

- VG/Norway

"Bubble has many characteristic side characters and a message that is anything but subtle. And the lack of self-importance and correctness makes it feel like something very unique among the 2017 children's books."

- Dagbladet /Norway

"It's hard to read this book without thinking of Astrid Lindgren and Stephen King, and that is a compliment to the author. Pettersen possesses the ability of both to combine the supernatural with the natural, thus describing the vulnerability, loneliness and hopes of a young person."

- Adresseavisen/NO

Siri Pettersen

Siri was born in under the northern lights of Norway, with a severely overactive imagination. It survived countless attacks from the outside world, rendering her an expert escapist, frolicking in a wide range of media: Design, web, comics, illustration, animation and text. She simply loves a good story.

Shortlisted for the Norwegian YA Award
(2016)
Shortlisted for the Swedish Grand Audiobook
Award (2016, 2017)
Shortlisted for the Finnish Star Fantasy Award
(2016)
Shortlisted for the Polish Book of the Year
Award (2017)
Representing Norway on IBBY's Honour List
(2016)

With her debut trilogy *The Raven Rings* Siri Pettersen placed herself among the royalty of fantasy authors of all times. Her books are a mega success on all markets it has so far been published. Siri's fan base is huge, and her Facebook and Instagram are loaded with fan art. With her fourth book – *Bubble* – Siri proves that she can also write for a younger audience. *Bubble* is shortlisted for the ARK's best children's book prize and the Norwegian Booksellers' Prize.

OTHER TITLES

The Might (Evna), 2015
The Rot (Råta), 2014
Odin's Child (Odinsbarn), 2013



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