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When your dream is to stand on a stage, but definitely not together with your worst enemies!

Helene Bye has lived a life on the internet since before she was born. Everyone has heard of sweet little Hellybaby, a nickname created by her influencer mom.

Now Helene has turned thirteen and she is fed up with being sweet little Hellybaby. She just wants to be herself.

But who is she really?

Her grandmother is convinced that she should become an actress. The new social studies teacher at school however wants her to join the girl band that her teacher is about to create.

But after Helene's first week at junior high school, one thing is for sure: no one will think of Helene as sweet little Hellybaby anymore!

Starlet is a story about breaking free and finding the place where you can shine the most. This is the first volume in a new series created by the novel writing duo behind the very successful series for young adults called *Royalteens*. Films based on the books have also been produced by Netflix.

The book is illustrated by Esra Caroline Røise.

Randi Fuglehaug and Anne Gunn Halvorsen are Norwegian authors and former journalists now full-time writers. Best known for their internationally bestselling YA series *Royalteen* (adapted into two Netflix films sold to 14 markets). Also well known for their children's books and feel-good fiction including *The Kindergarten for Magical Unicorns* and *Starlet*, as well as their individual and critically acclaimed works, Fuglehaug's crime novels and Halvorsen's non-fiction, most recently *My Internet*.

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