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## Republic of Outsiders: The Power of Amateurs, Dreamers and Rebels

By Alissa Quart

The New Press, United States, 2014. Paperback. Book Condition: New. Reprint. 196 x 130 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. This groundbreaking study of the increasing influence of cultural outsiders ( The Philadelphia Inquirer ) is at once an ode to the underrepresented and a reporting tour de force ( The Writer ). Alissa Quart, one of the smartest cultural interpreters of her generation ( Susan Cain, author of Quiet ), introduces us to those who have created new ways to keep themselves sane, fulfilled, and, on occasion, paid. Republic of Outsiders is the story of Americans who, freed of middlemen and armed with new technology, are able to make their unusual ideas go viral and disrupt the status quo. They include amateur filmmakers who crowdsource their work, scientists developing artificial meat, neurodiverse activists, and alternative bankers. These outsiders create and package new identities (a process Quart dubs identity innovation ). They push the boundaries of who they--and we--can be. Excerpted in O Magazine and The Nation, given a starred review in Publishers Weekly, chosen as a Flavorwire must read, and placed on the brilliant highbrow quadrant of New York s Approval Matrix, Republic of Outsiders also was praised by...



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