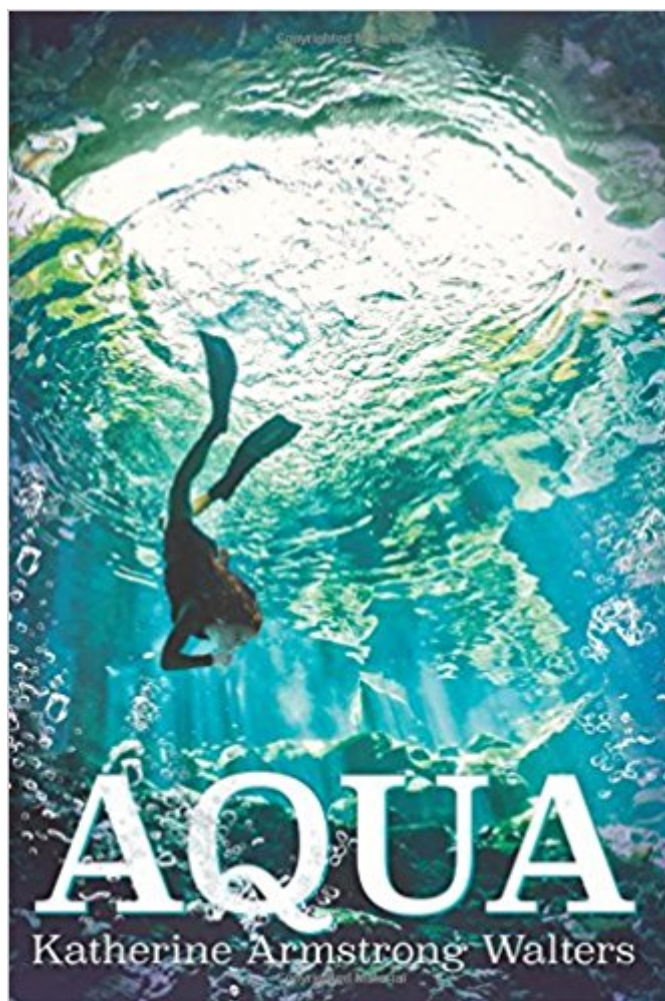


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# Aqua (Book One Of The Arydian Chronicles)



## Synopsis

Eighteen year-old Marin has few clues about where she came from, outside of a recurring nightmare of a horrific boating accident. Determined to prove to the world and to herself that she can overcome her water phobia and lead a normal life, she enrolls in a summer internship at a marine research facility in California. When a cataclysmic accident suddenly brings her drowning nightmares into reality, she learns a secret about herself that begins to unlock the mystery lurking in her hidden memories. What she discovers could be the key to her past, but opening that door forces her to choose between two worlds and two hearts, and starts a chain of events that could destroy everything and everyone she loves.

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## Customer Reviews

Heart-stopping adventure and swoon-worthy romance that will take your breath away. --Heather Hepler, author of Frosted Kisses and e Cupcake Queen

Katherine Armstrong Walters has been making up stories since she was old enough to talk. She was born and raised in Salt Lake City, Utah, but moved to Texas where she and her husband, Kelly, have enjoyed living in the country and raising their five fabulous sons, two cats, one snake and a small herd of chickens. When she's not writing she loves sketching, editing, painting, reading, being outdoors, remodeling, and travelling with her family. Her favorite hobbies include boating and Star Wars.

This high school English teacher loved the pacing, characters and structure of this Teen Lit book. While we have seen the outlines of this story before (after all, how many ways can a troubled but determined group of kids fall in love?!) what sets Aqua apart is the twist that mixes science and supernatural forces. There is great subtext about our responsibility for what we create, for what others choose, for taking charge of our hardest hopes.

I generally don't read a lot of fiction because it's either contrived or trying too hard to be edgy. Aqua is edgy without trying and doesn't give itself away like a lot of mainstream novels do. Kathy Walters is an extremely gifted writer and a talented storyteller. There was plenty of substance for me and enough "teen appeal" for my 14-year-old stepdaughter. Highly recommended!

If a book doesn't appeal to me in the first few pages I usually don't finish it. This book grabbed me right away and never let me go! The characters were fresh and believable and immediately took you into their world. Not sure who the intended audience would be but I am 68 and enjoyed it immensely but my 16 year old granddaughter would love it too! Kathy Walters allows us to enter into the world of her imagination and escape our own for awhile. I am looking forward to more from her!

It was overall a good book. I thought that it started out a little bit slow, but after the first few chapters I couldn't put it down. Some of the dialogue seems a bit unnatural, but overall the characters and their relationships were well developed and believable. I look forward to future installments in this series.

I really love this book. The story has twists in it that I did not expect. It kept me guessing even to the end. I like the development of the main character. She starts out shy and unsure of herself. Then she becomes more confident and keeps on asking questions. The ending solves some of the problems but leaves it wide open for the next one. I am really excited to see where the characters go and how things get resolved.

Both my daughter and I really enjoyed reading Aqua. It was refreshing to read a young adult book that didn't include foul language or inappropriate content. We look forward to reading the rest of the series!

Great book filled with exciting plots while still staying true to the tender relationships of its characters. If you think you would like discovering a new world underneath the waves, then you will love this book. I can't wait to see what happens next!

Great read for our family. My teens, husband and I all enjoyed it. Dives into action right away and the pace continues through the book with twists and turns. Well thought out and developed characters dealing with hard questions and responsibilities lift this novel above the teen age angst that so many of the young adult fiction genre get mired down in. Waiting impatiently for the next adventure!

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