## WAITING FOR AL GORE

a novel by Bob Katz

A floundering environmental group stages an international conference in rural Vermont, buoyed by the hope that Nobel winner Al Gore will appear as their keynote speaker to inspire the faithful. What could go wrong?

An environmental conference in rural Vermont organized by determined if hapless activists brings together Lenny Beibel, a wannabe journalist seeking his big break; Rachel Seagrave, EarthKare's visionary but stressed-out founder; and Henry "On Your" Marks, slick purveyor of *JogThink*.

Enter an uninvited guest: an endangered bird long thought to be extinct.

With a mad stampede of birders, a missing ex-Vice President, and a keynote speaker who may or may not be a fraud, Beibel's got his story. It's just not the story that anyone planned on.

"Will Al Gore actually appear at the no-frills summit of a fledgling, dysfunctional environmental group? Indeed, will anyone show up? These are two of the mysteries that sustain Bob Katz' entertaining tale of a band of wanna-be's and never-been's eager to change the world, and their lives."—Sean B. Carroll, author of A Series of Fortunate Events and The Serengeti Rules

"A breezily entertaining and warm-hearted sendup of the inconvenient truths of green politics and participatory journalism. Lenny Beibel, Henry Marks, and the rest of Bob Katz's not-so-merry band of EarthKare activists make for delightful and delightfully infuriating company."— Adam Langer, bestselling author of *Crossing California, The Thieves of Manhattan,* and *Cyclorama* 

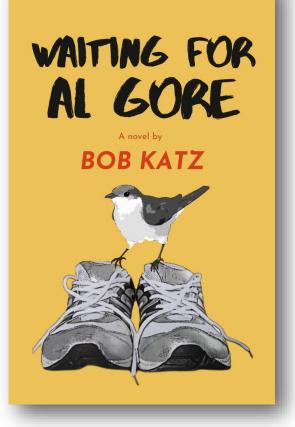
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Bob Katz is the author of several books, including the novel *Third and Long*, winner of the Independent Book Publishers Association Popular Fiction award, *Elaine's Circle*, a non-fiction account of a dramatic episode in the rural Alaska classroom of an heroic teacher, the novel *Hot Air*, about a mystical South America revolutionary on a speaking tour of US college campuses, *The Whistleblower*, a nonfiction exploration of a college basketball referee's struggle to keep the game fair, and *EZ and the Intangibles*, a novel for middle readers.

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