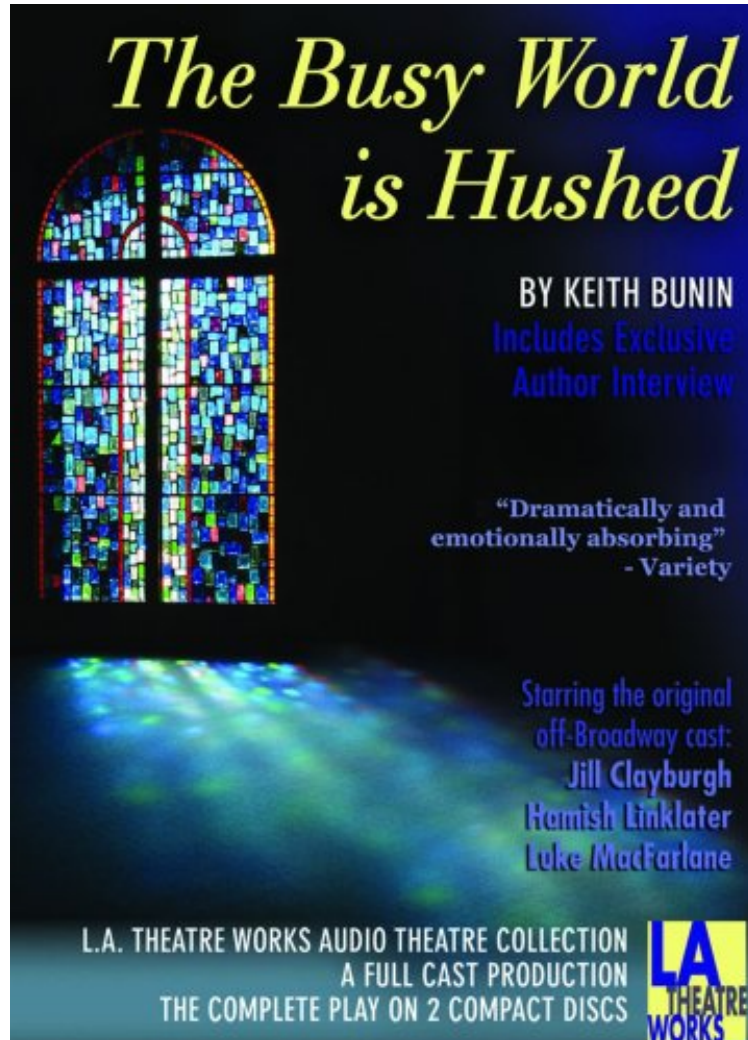


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**Keith Bunin : The Busy World is Hushed (Library Edition Audio CDs)** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Busy World is Hushed (Library Edition Audio CDs):

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Excellent book club play By Mimi's pen We are discussing this play prior to seeing the production. There are lots of worthwhile issues to talk about--from gender issues to authority of Gospels. 10 of 0 people found the following review helpful. A spiritual and dramatic saga By Midwest Book Review Read aloud by the original off-Broadway cast, The Busy World is Hushed is an audio "theater of the mind" experience following Hannah, a widowed Episcopal minister. Hannah strives to translate a little-known gospel, but her daily way of thinking is challenged and changed through the insights of her scholarly assistant, and a confrontation with her "black sheep" gay son. As one dark secret after another within her family comes to light, only the unexpected

insight of a stranger can help Hannah find peace and acceptance. A spiritual and dramatic saga, *The Busy World is Hushed* is highly recommended. 2 CDs, 107 min. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. A great production based on complicated emotions. By Rick S. Here was my take on the audio- Hannah, a widowed minister, hires a young gay assistant, Brandt, to help her write a book about a newly discovered gospel. Her slacker gay son, Thomas has returned and the two young men have enough in common that they start to bond, despite their differences towards religion. Hannah's personal problems are at the heart of the play... I felt the emotional rollercoaster ride while listening to this audio.

With wisdom, humor and insight, *The Busy World is Hushed* examines the contradictions we find in our faith, our families and ourselves. Hannah, a widowed minister, is hoping to translate a long-lost gospel when she is challenged by both her scholarly assistant and her wayward gay son. But when family secrets are revealed, only a stranger can help Hannah find peace. A L.A. Theatre Works full-cast performance featuring: Jill Clayburgh, Hamish Linklater and Luke MacFarlane.

From Publishers Weekly Bunin's play is ideal for recording, as it features only three actors and one set. Clayburgh very adeptly portrays Hannah, a widowed minister, who hires a young gay assistant, Brandt (Linklater), to help her write a book about a newly discovered gospel, possibly preceding those in the New Testament. Her itinerant gay son, Thomas (MacFarlan), has returned to help. The two young men sound disconcertingly alike: intelligent but a bit smug. When Hannah mentions that gospels were common following the death of Jesus, the importance of a new one is diminished, and it becomes apparent that Hannah's personal problems are at the heart of the play. Her decision to encourage the somewhat withdrawn Brandt to love her son will haunt her by the play's climax. The soft-spoken Clayburgh gets to play raucous and uncontrolled before she regains her poise. The last disc has an interview with Bunin saying that his play is emotionally autobiographical: his father was half Jewish and his mother Catholic, so "naturally" he was raised Episcopalian and attended a Quaker school. His play is heavy on religious declamations and overwrought emotionally but has a sense of purpose. Copyright Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. From the Inside Flap With wisdom, humor and insight, *The Busy World is Hushed* examines the contradictions we find in our faith, our families and ourselves. Hannah, a widowed Episcopal minister, is hoping to translate a long-lost gospel when she is challenged by both her scholarly assistant and her wayward gay son. But when family secrets are revealed, only the intercession of a stranger can help Hannah find peace. An L.A. Theatre Works full-cast performance featuring Jill Clayburgh, Hamish Linklater and Luke MacFarlane. About the Author JoBeth Williams is a film, stage, and television actress and president of the Screen Actors Guild Foundation. Among her many film and television credits are "Dexter", "Hart of Dixie", "24", "The Big Chill", and "Poltergeist".