

Christine McKinley grew up in Alaska where she learned to shoot a pistol and use a CB radio. She then attended Catholic school in California, despite not being one bit Catholic. There she learned "Hail Mary" in Spanish and how to gracefully jump a chain link fence in a plaid skirt. Her love of physics propelled her to get a mechanical engineering degree. Her fascination with biblical history inspired her to ride through the Holy Land on a bicycle where she was escorted out of the West Bank by an Israeli army jeep.

McKinley's musical about physics and Catholic school, "Gracie and the Atom," will debut in Portland, OR in April 2010. She hosted a show for Discovery Channel called "Under New York" that will air in September 2009. She is currently living in Portland and Los Angeles.