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MY NEW BOOK COVER!!! + I have to re-write my entire book. 📖 + a super-quick quesadilla recipe + fun with Greg Iles

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Hi, Gentle Reader, welcome to April!

Hello there! How's it going?

Holy crapes, we've had so much going on! It's Crazytown right after a book releases, and the launch of **THE DEVIL'S TRIANGLE** was no exception.

- Nick & Mike's newest adventure debuted at **#1 on the *Wall Street Journal's* bestseller list**, and **#2 on the *New York Times* and *USA TODAY!***
- Then **FIELD OF GRAVES** was nominated for a RITA®!!
- Then, on top of *that*, both **FIELD OF GRAVES** and **NO ONE KNOWS** were nominated for SIBA's Southern Book Prize Long List!!!

Seriously, insanity. And thank *you* for making it all happen, dear reader! You make it all worthwhile!

The social media sabbatical continues to be fruitful. I'm trying to finish the first draft of THE LOST ONE, my standalone for 2018. The deep work time (and breakfast with a fellow writer who is brilliance personified) has shown me a major mistake that I've made... which means that **I have to re-write the book from start to finish.** But that's okay—revising is writing. Don't worry, I'm still on time and on schedule! I expect to be done by this time next week—should things continue going well, that is.

I have to admit: the quiet from the social media sabbatical has really helped my creative process. I even took a field trip to Vail, where the book is set, and sat in the sun (because it was 70 degrees!) and jealously watched the people ski. The book is going to be richer for this trip, and if you're ever near The Red Lion in Vail, drop in and have lunch—it was great!

Without further ado, let's get started!

Win an ARC – just by breathing

Ta-DAAAA!

I'm so pleased to introduce you to my new book, **LIE TO ME!** It tells the story of Sutton and Ethan Montclair, two writers who have it all... but tell a much different story behind closed doors (because, of course). **LIE TO ME comes out September 5.** And truly? I think it's the best book I've ever written. I can't wait for you to devour it.

Guess what? **Two of you will win an ARC**, just because you're newsletter subscribers. You literally don't have to do anything else to be entered. I'll draw two names and contact the winners via email. Isn't that fun? There are definitely perks to being a newsletter chicken.

Oh, and for those who aren't the chosen ones this time, a contest for three more ARCs will be happening next week. Watch the socials!

[Learn more about LIE TO ME](#)

Hanging with Mr. Iles

Greg Iles is awesome. The end.

This is my brilliant friend, Greg Iles, who's written, I don't know, at least 14 *New York Times* bestsellers. Not only is he a badass writer, he's fun to hang out with! To celebrate the launch of his final Natchez Burning tome, MISSISSIPPI BLOOD, we held an online LiveSigning, where Greg signed books and I peppered him with questions.

P.S. You can even get a signed copy of his book at the link, if you're into that sort of thing.

Watch Greg Iles and me talk books & goof off!

Lately on The Tao!

On Blogging, and Blogs I Love

What I'm Into (March & April 2017)

Miss me during my social media hiatus? Come to The Tao! You guys know I love blogging, and even though I'm not on the socials, I still post on The Tao every Thursday. Click to read a few of my latest posts (including one from my assistant, The Kerr!).

Never want to miss a blog post? You can [subscribe in a reader](#) or [get updates via email](#) (just like this newsletter!).

What I'm Reading

BLAME by Jeff Abbott

One of the best parts of being a writer is getting to read your friends' work before it comes out. Such was the case with Greg Iles and Jeff Abbott (FYI: BLAME is going to be the book of the summer). Diana Gabaldon makes the list, because she's Diana Gabaldon. And I'm listening to THE WIDOW whilst driving—so good.

Click each cover to learn more!

April's Recipe

Super-Quick Chicken Quesadillas

When I'm in the fog of book writing, my brother's quesadilla recipe is an easy way to get dinner on the table fast. We writers (and writer-husbands) can only consume so many gluten-free frozen pizzas, you know.

Gimme the recipe, please!

That's it from me! Y'all have a wonderful April, full of flowers and blooming things, read a good book or two, eat some chocolate, and we'll talk again soon.

xO,

Let's be friends. I don't bite!



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