

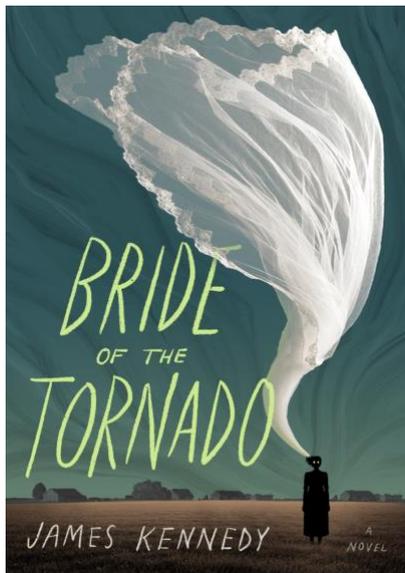
BRIDE OF THE TORNADO

James Kennedy, author of *The Times* Best Sci-Fi Book of 2021, DARE TO KNOW

“A fascinating, compulsively readable thriller.” — *Guardian on Dare to Know*

“Razor-smart.” — Daniel Kraus, co-author of *The Shape of Water on Dare to Know*

Stephen King's *The Mist* meets David Lynch's *Twin Peaks* in this inventive, mind-bending horror-thriller about a man-made terror with supernatural consequences in a claustrophobic small-town setting.



A young woman's secretive Midwestern town is engulfed by a mysterious plague of tornadoes every generation—and she must escape it before it claims her...

In a small town tucked away in the Midwestern corn fields, the adults whisper about Tornado Day. Our narrator, a high school sophomore, has never heard this phrase but she soon discovers its terrible meaning: a plague of sentient tornadoes is coming to destroy them.

The only thing that stands between the town and total annihilation is a teen boy known as the Tornado Killer. Drawn to this enigmatic boy, our narrator senses an unnatural connection between them. But the adults are hiding a secret about the origins of the tornadoes and the true nature of the tornado killer—and it's more terrifying that our narrator could ever imagine.

Audaciously conceived and steeped in existential dread, this genre-defying novel reveals the myth-bound madness at the heart of American life.

James Kennedy has a degree in physics and philosophy and worked as a computer programmer, subjects he continues to explore in his writing. He is also the founder of the 90-Second Newbery Film Festival, an annual video contest in which kid filmmakers create short movies. He lives with his wife and two daughters in Chicago. He is the author of the critically acclaimed *Dare to Know*. [@iamjameskennedy](https://twitter.com/iamjameskennedy)

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More praise for DARE TO KNOW

The Times Best Sci-Fi Book of 2021

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“Imagine Donna Tartt’s *The Secret History* getting a good edit at last, and you glimpse something of this book’s occult power. Essential reading for the gathering dark.” — *The Times*

“An entertainingly mind-bending read.” — *Financial Times*

“Audaciously clever and well-written...a quite superb piece of storytelling: vivid, thought-provoking and unsettling.” — *SFX Magazine* (5 stars)

“A creepy thriller that reads a little like Stephen King writing *Glengarry Glen Ross*.” — *GeekDad*

“Imagine what would happen if Chuck Palahniuk, Enrico Fermi, and the Brothers Grimm got together to raise a child...Sci-fi, snark-horror and futuristic thriller fans will love it.” — **Terri Schlichenmeyer** for *The Guam Daily Post*

“Readers with a taste for the synchronicity of the cosmic with the commonplace are sure to be entertained.”
— *Publishers Weekly*

“Will prompt the reader to consider the philosophical implications of life and death itself.” — *Booklist*

“[A] genre-bending thriller...good pacing and clever plotting keep the pages turning.”
— *New York Journal of Books*

“A razor-smart sci-fi corporate noir nightmare. *Dare to Know* is what happens when Willy Loman sees through the Matrix. A heartbreaking, time-bending, galactic mindbender delivered in the mordantly funny clip of a doomed antihero.” — **Daniel Kraus**, co-author of *The Shape of Water*

“Philip K. Dick energy infusing *Death of a Salesman* emotional timbre... I loved it.”
— **Kieron Gillen**, author of *The Wicked + The Divine* and *Once & Future*

