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## Tom Grace

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Tom Grace is the bestselling author of the Nolan Kilkeny series of adventure novels, and an architect in private practice. The Kilkeny novels feature Grace's signature character, an ex-Navy Seal with strong ties to the Catholic Church.

Grace himself is a cradle Catholic who was born and raised in Southeastern Michigan. He attended parochial schools and is a graduate of Detroit Catholic Central High School. Grace later attended the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, where he received two degrees in architecture. While in graduate school, an instructor in design theory noted that a paper Grace wrote was the finest he'd ever received for that course, and encouraged Grace to pursue a career in architectural writing. At the time, Grace's professional aspirations leaned more toward Frank Lloyd Wright than Ada Louise Huxtable, but the seed for writing was planted.

In constructing his novels, Grace draws upon his intensely detail-oriented skills honed in the practice of architecture, in which he designs projects ranging from private residences to cutting-edge research facilities. Grace's first Nolan Kilkeny novel, *Spyder Web*, was published in 1999. It was followed by *Quantum* (2000), *Twisted Web* (2003), *Bird of Prey* (2004), and *The Secret Cardinal* (2007).

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