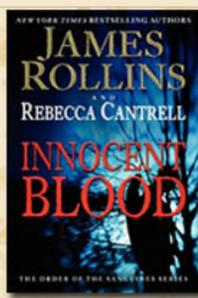


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## Innocent Blood: The Order of the Sanguines

Available Today: December 10th, 2013

First and foremost, let me wish everyone a most joyous holiday season. It's certainly one of my favorite times of the year, especially getting to spend it with friends and family. This year, it's a special treat for me to be able to share a new book with everyone just before Christmas, and with this tour, I'll be able to spend a little of the season with you all.

Last year, Rebecca and I introduced the shadowy world of the Sanguinists in *The Blood Gospel*, a book centered on an ancient Vatican order that seeks the answers to a mystery found within the pages of a gospel written in Christ's own blood.

Now *Innocent Blood* continues that mystery. Fittingly, we set this new story during the days leading up to Christmas, and we take this story to new heights of horror and wonder, exploring Christ's first steps. To discover the truth behind Christ's early years and to understand His first true miracle, archaeologist Erin Granger must again join forces with Army Sergeant Jordan Stone and Father Rhun Korza. Their journey spans centuries and the world, from the dusty plains of the Holy Land to the icy waters of the Arctic Ocean, from the catacombs of Rome to an iron fortress in the Mediterranean Sea, and at last to the very gates of Hell itself, where their destiny—and the fate of mankind—awaits.

Rebecca and I are very proud of this new book, and we were especially thrilled to learn that *Innocent Blood* has already been picked by the editors at Amazon as a Top Ten Mystery/Thriller for December. And Kirkus Reviews declares, "There's a touch of genius...in pairing a Dan Brown-ian hidden codex mystery with a vampire tale." We hope you will enjoy this story even more than *The Blood Gospel*, and we can't wait to hear your thoughts about the book.



### Touring Information (Chance for Double Signatures)

Looking for that perfect gift? How about a rare double-signed copy of *Innocent Blood*? Like last year, Rebecca will be traveling all the way from Berlin, Germany, to share the road with me for this holiday book tour. It's a rare opportunity to catch us both in person and get a book signed...either for you or as a gift for someone special.

We'll also be signing a limited number of additional copies at each of the bookstores, so if you're not able to attend, please contact one of the stores on our tour. Pre-order early to guarantee a copy before Christmas.

These are the cities we will be visiting beginning December 10th thru 16th, 2013. Click on the tour city for details about book store locations, dates and times.

Phoenix, AZ  
Sacramento (Roseville), CA  
Denver, CO  
San Diego (Mira Mesa), CA

Fort Collins, CO  
San Diego, CA  
Houston, TX

Note: For additional appearances not listed below, please visit my [appearances page](#).

### Contest

To celebrate the release of this new book and the tour, we're running a special contest. Have you ever wanted to be named a character in a book? Now's your chance to join the cast of the third book in the Sanguines trilogy. Sign up at here for a chance to be that lucky winner:

[Contest Entry Here](#)

Warning: There is a good chance you will be killed most horribly in that book.

### Innocent Blood Q&A

Q. You now have co-authored two books in the Order of the Sanguines series, how did you decide to join forces? How do two prolific minds work together during the writing process?

Jim: The seed for this series came during a trip to a museum in Los Angeles, where I found myself staring at Rembrandt's painting of "The Raising of Lazarus." It's a macabre and dark imagining of this miracle of Christ, and it struck me strange how scared everyone looked in the painting. This moment started me down a road of reflection about early Catholicism, vampirism, and a story began to unfold, a story that examines the line between faith and science. I knew this could be a huge and groundbreaking new mythology, a story so epic in scope that I knew I didn't want to tackle this alone.

Rebecca: I met Jim at the Maui Writer's Conference just before my first novel, *A Trace of Smoke*, was published. He was my instructor in a thriller-writing course and we kept in touch after that. I'd just put the finishing touches on my fourth novel when he called me out of the blue about this series with vampires who live on transubstantiated blood. We spent a long time on that call talking about the world of the Sanguinists and the strigoi. We had very similar visions of that world, and could see what we each would bring to it. The writing process involves a lot of talking on Skype, rewriting, and driving each other generally crazy.

Read the entire Q&A [here](#)

### New Year, New Sigma

Before we ring in the New Year, I should let you know that for the entire month of December the ebook of my very first thriller, *Subterranean*, is being discounted to \$2.99 where ebooks are sold. Why that novel? All I'll say is that story is significant to events that unfold in Summer 2014, with the debut of the next big Sigma adventure: *THE SIXTH EXTINCTION*.

But that's not all: In the Spring of 2014, we'll also see the return of Tucker Wayne and his stalwart war dog, Kane, as they're recruited by Painter Crowe for this first solo Sigma adventure in *THE KILL SWITCH*.

So yes, 2014 is guaranteed to be full of mayhem!

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During this season, what could make the holidays brighter than a gift of thanks to the fine men and women who have kept us safe this past year? For some veterans, the holidays can be a tough time, and USA Cares struggles each year to make the season brighter for them. Give them a hand by passing on a gift of charity, either in your name or another. It's a great way of wishing them a Merry Christmas and helping guarantee a Happy New Year. [Click here](#) to make the season just that much brighter for our veterans.

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