

A Novel Idea: *The Story Behind M.K. Eidem, an Independent, Self-Published Author*



M.K. Eidem with her best-selling novel, *Grim*

Looking at Michelle Eidem, you would never guess that she is the brains behind a half-dozen science fiction romance novels. Naturally beautiful in a sweater and jeans, her hair fashionably short and stylish, Eidem tells me about herself. The youngest of seven children, she grew up in Cherokee, Iowa. She later moved to Vermillion, SD where she attended the University of South Dakota to obtain her bachelor's degree in Accounting. While working at Hy-Vee after completing college, she met her husband, Gary.

Eidem went on to work for the City of Vermillion's Finance Office for 15 years while her husband Gary continued to work for Clay Union Electric. They have two children, their son works for the



M.K. Eidem's upcoming novel

city of Beresford and their daughter attends school at South Dakota State University in Brookings. Just recently in January, Eidem decided to leave her job with the City of Vermillion to turn her writing into a full-time career.

Reading and writing have always been an interest to her growing up. Her mother, an avid reader always participating in the book of the month club, sparked her

interest by often having several books readily available. Her writing started off on a small scale, as most do, with short stories being written out on loose-leaf, double-wide paper with a standard number two pencil.

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