

ZOMBIE APOCALYPSE HITS SOUTH AFRICA

Lee Herrmann's new novel is a gripping tale of a new South Africa that you can really sink your teeth into.

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A mysterious virus breaks out and suddenly it turns ordinary people into flesh eating zombies. The police and army are powerless to stop its spread and soon the entire country is consumed.

This might read like a scene from a Hollywood flick and you might think you have heard it or seen it all before. The only difference is that the outbreak happens in South Africa, right on your doorstep. The beautiful landmarks you know, some with their manicured gardens and beautiful architecture, are lying desolate and derelict. Once busy towns like Johannesburg with their dense population and noise are quiet and have virtually become ghost town. The Government has fallen. The army and the police have failed. And now half dead infected people roam the streets converging on any survivors and savagely tearing into them.

After running out of supplies sixteen year old Kon, his brother and father leave their Pretoria home and embark on a journey across the country to Robben Island, a reputed safe haven. Along the way they befriend other survivors, and face an unrecognizable new world filled with new unpredictable dangers.

Journal of a South African Zombie Apocalypse, a chronicle of Kon and his family in a South Africa that has become a zombie infested and volatile country is the newest by Pretoria author Lee Herrmann. This is the second novel by Herrmann and a departure from the light-hearted mystery tale he penned in 2011.

Journal of a South African Zombie Apocalypse is a coming of age story in a very different South Africa, and chronicles one family's fight for survival against the undead people. The book, a light read of 180 pages, will have you turning page after page as you are enthralled with the journey and survival of the survivors as they make their way to the island of hope. Oh, and there's lots and lots of zombies.

"Not only am I a Zombie fan but I've always debated what would happen if an outbreak happened in South Africa and so it made sense to turn it into a book," says Herrmann.

The *Journal of a South African Zombie Apocalypse* is available from *Kalahari, Porcupine Press* and *Loot* as an e-book. Hard copies will be available in selected bookstores from October 2014.

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About the author

Lee Herrmann was born and raised in South Africa - Pretoria. He has always had a fascination with zombies and has numerous contingency plans for the eventual apocalypse. Therefore, while he waited, it made sense to write a book about zombies in South Africa.

He currently works in a near-zombie environment as a Content Manager for a big corporate firm in Johannesburg and has had a varied writing background including copywriting, writing for web, radio and magazines. He is also the author of the mystery title *The Manservant Mysteries* (www.TheManservantMysteries.com).

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