

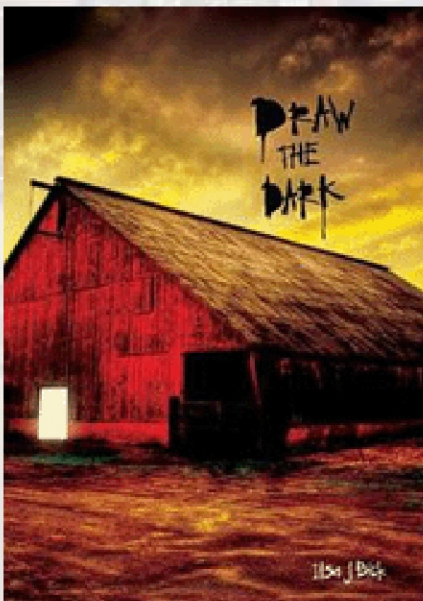


Draw the Dark - Ilsa Bick

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Winter, Wisconsin has stories that folks just don't talk about. A murder way back in '45 is one. Then there was the near suicide of a first grade teacher. And then there is 17 year old Christian Cage. Christian's parents disappeared when he was a little boy, and ever since he's drawn and painted obsessively, trying desperately to remember his mother. The problem is Christian doesn't just draw his own memories. He can draw the thoughts of those around him. Confronted with fears and nightmares they'd rather avoid, people have a bad habit of dying. So it's no surprise that Christian isn't exactly popular. A well written horror that will keep you hooked to the last page. A fabulous plot with twists and turns, that immerses you into the story. A strong deep thinking protagonist who draws you into his life, you will feel his emotion. Not a book for the faint-hearted.. Highly recommended for mature teenagers over 15 years.

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