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My Friend Amy

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Hi Amy,

Firstly, let me congratulate you on your website. What a wonderful achievement to be rated 20<sup>th</sup> in the Top 50 book blogs. Hopefully one day my blog will join you on that list.

Reading through your site, I saw that you sometimes accept books for review. I'm sure you get dozens of requests a day, but I thought I'd approach you anyway in the hopes you may be interested in reviewing my second book, Vampire Origins: Project Ichorous, which has just been listed on NetGalley.

Vampire Origins is a YA paranormal book – the first in a series that weaves historical fact with fiction to trace the origins of five very different vampire tribes.

Opening in Russia during the Revolution, it tells what really happened to Anastasia and Alexei Romanov.

Below is all the information to help you make an informed decision.

If you are interested in reviewing Vampire Origins: Project Ichorous, you can download a copy in any format through Smashwords using coupon number RP32L (valid until 19 April 2014). As previously mentioned, the book is also available on NetGalley during October.

Alternatively, if you would rather it in paperback, please let me know.

If you are not interested, I thank you for taking the time to read my request.

Cheers

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## Book Information:

- Series Title: Vampire Origins
- Book Title: Project Ichorous (Book 1)
- Author: Riley Banks
- Word Count: 132,000 words
- Professionally edited and beta tested
- Formats: .mobi, .epub, .pdf, paperback, and numerous other formats. Can also be downloaded on NetGalley during October
- Review data:
  - Goodreads – 78 ratings, 39 reviews, average rating of 4.26, added by 2025 people <http://www.goodreads.com/book/show/17673620-vampire-origins---project-ichorous> Vampire Origins also has its own fan club on Goodreads and Tumblr
  - Amazon - 18 customer reviews, average rating 4.4 <http://www.amazon.com/Vampire-Origins-Project-Ichorous-ebook/dp/B00CFX8NU4>
  - Barnes and Noble - 9 reviews, average rating 4.0 <http://www.barnesandnoble.com/w/vampire-origins-riley-banks/1115214359?ean=2940011138850>
  - Smashwords – 7 reviews, average rating 4.14 <https://www.smashwords.com/books/view/31426>

## Book blurb:

He killed 30,000 in one night during the Crusades, and impaled 100,000 more in Romania in the 1400s. Now Vladamir Strigoi has discovered a way to enslave mankind and rule the world.

Only one thing can stop him – a human descendant.

Vlad has no idea his newest houseguest has Strigoi blood pumping through her veins. Now his greatest threat is just one floor above him. Under no circumstances can she remain human.

## Author bio:

While Riley Banks is relatively new to the world of writing (she published her first novel, *The William S Club* in September 2012), her alter ego Rebecca Byfield has been a journalist and communications specialist for over 15 years. Rebecca is currently the Editor-in-Chief of *The Writer's Shack*, which is home to 27 contributors and three popular blogs. Rebecca has lived in four different countries and been published in seven countries. She brings her extensive international experiences to her fiction works. A full copy of her CV is available either through LinkedIn or on her website.

The William S Club won Turning Pages' best Suspense novel for 2012. Both books are rated highly on numerous Goodreads lists - <http://www.goodreads.com/list/book/17673620>.

### **Review Snippets:**

"Riley Banks is a very talented author who creates worlds that you can get lost in. Vampire Origins is a complex world that has many characters and back stories. The author does a fabulous job of not confusing the reader, but still supplying the needed information for the story. From the time I picked up this book until the last page I was captivated."

"I was first attracted to the historical aspect of the novel. Let's face it; vampires have been done and done and done ad nauseum, but a novel which takes actual historical characters (and even some pop culture icons) and turns them into vampires is a fresh spin."

"Outstanding! Finally we are back to vampires that are ruthless (yet still pretty to look at). It took me a minute to get all the characters straight but it is Sooooo worth it. You can get the storyline from the jacket but what you can't get is how R.B. manages to give each character SUCH a personality. My first introduction to Riley Banks was through The William S Club..I should have known from her creative twist in that story that this one would be outstanding - Jolly Awesome!"