

ACCLAIMED AUTHOR WIL MARA'S NEW ECOLOGICAL THRILLER *FALLOUT* AVAILABLE APRIL 25th !

**A Monster Storm...An Aging Nuclear Plant...
What Could Possibly Go Wrong?**

The *Fallout* is coming. Will You Be Ready?
<https://youtu.be/dVSicGmoHJ0>

New York, NY (April 25, 2017) – Acclaimed author Wil Mara returns with a thrilling new novel that will have you flipping pages *and* frantically checking *Google Maps* to see just how close *you* live to the nearest nuclear power plant! (Statistics show that more than a third of the American population lives within half a tank of gas from a live nuclear reactor...) Available Tuesday, April 25, ***Fallout*** (Tor/Macmillan Publishing) continues the novelist's award winning streak of edge-of-your-seat disaster novels with a gripping page-turner that imagines a ruptured and rapidly leaking nuclear facility not in Russia or Japan, but smack dab in the middle of small town America. Forget your *perfect storm*- Mara captures lightning in the ultimate danger zone, creating a scientifically credible and entirely plausible nightmare scenario when calamitous weather triggers a full-on nuclear disaster in a bucolic Pennsylvania town, bringing unimaginable destruction that will impact generations to come.

When the twin catastrophic events collide, no amount of preparedness can protect tiny Silver Lake, PA- a town that happens to sit in the center of the strategic corridor between New York City and Washington, DC- from the fallout. It's up to acting-mayor Sarah Redmond and her EMT husband to courageously battle the storm's impact while saving their citizens from the aftereffects of a catastrophic radiation breach. Meanwhile, the chaos at the fatally damaged plant is being streamed live onto the internet by Marla Hollis, a local journalist who happened to be in the right place at the wrong time. Trapped at the plant, she's determined to get the story out – and the ugly truth behind why it happened-at any cost. Their efforts galvanize the shell-shocked townspeople, who are overwhelmed by the horrific disaster. <https://www.torforgeblog.com/tag/wil-mara> For Wil Mara, a bestselling and multi-award winning author, researching *Fallout* brought the risk of a nuclear disaster occurring in the U.S. a little too close for comfort, even for him. "I always try for scientific accuracy when writing these disaster stories," he says, "and when I was doing my homework for *Fallout*, I was stunned by how many near-catastrophic events are triggered by natural phenomenon." In 2012 alone- the same year as the Fukushima nuclear disaster in Japan (triggered by a tsunami), five separate nuclear power plants in the U.S. lost power due to natural calamities such as tornadoes, hurricanes, and flooding.

Read book excerpt here: <http://www.criminalelement.com/stories/2017/04/fallout-new-excerpt>

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Wil Mara is a critically acclaimed, #1 best-selling author with a career that has spanned over 30 years. He began with nonfiction for school libraries, moved into children's fiction by ghostwriting five of the popular 'Boxcar Children Mysteries,' then into adult fiction with his 2005 disaster thriller, *Wave*, which won the New Jersey Notable Book Award. His next disaster novel, *The Gemini Virus*, was released in October 2012 to rave reviews by critics and public alike. His most recent novel, the acclaimed *Frame 232*, the first of his John Hammond detective series, moves from the halls of government to the streets of Dallas, uncovering the truth about the Kennedy assassination. Most recently, he was honored by the New Jersey Center for the Book and the Library of Congress for his role in the advancement and support of the literary culture in the State of New Jersey. For more information, visit www.wilmara.com.

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