

MIKE MULLIN

ABOUT MIKE & THE ASHFALL SERIES



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Mike Mullin's first job was scraping the gum off the undersides of desks at his high school. From there, things went steadily downhill. He almost got fired by the owner of a bookstore due to his poor taste in earrings. He worked at a place that showed slides of poopy diapers during lunch (it did cut down on the cafeteria budget). The hazing process at the next company included eating live termites raised by the resident entomologist, so that didn't last long either. For a while Mike juggled bottles at a wine shop, sometimes to disastrous effect. Oh, and then there was the job where swarms of wasps occasionally tried to chase him off ladders. So he's really glad this writing thing seems to be working out.

Mike holds a black belt in Songahm Taekwondo. He lives in Indianapolis with his wife and her three cats. His debut, *Ashfall*, was named one of the top five young adult novels of 2011 by National Public Radio, a Best Teen Book of 2011 by Kirkus Reviews, a New Voices selection by the American Booksellers Association and a 2016 YALSA popular paperback award.



Set in the Midwest, the Ashfall series by Mike Mullin chronicles the life of Alex and Darla after the supervolcano that sits below Yellowstone National Park erupts. Alex must journey to reconnect with his family with the help of Darla. Together they must find the strength to survive and renew hope and love in a world devastated by this epic disaster.

Did you enjoy Ashfall?

Mike travels around the country to speak about taekwondo and writing, censorship and the Yellowstone supervolcano. To learn more, please send an email to Mike's scheduling assistant, Terri LeBlanc at terri@mikemullinauthor.com or visit his web site, mikemullinauthor.com/author-visits.