# ESCAPE TO ANYWHERE ELSE A Novel by Robert Rippberger

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#### Hemingway Praises Work by First Time Author

*Escape To Anywhere Else* is the story of Ivey Jane Doede, about to turn eighteen and trying to leave home. She lives with her younger brother, Louie, and parents in Kansas with nothing but miles of cornfields in every direction. Ivey's mom is abusive and her father is an alcoholic. Family life gets worse after a religious cult comes into the neighboring town, offering salvation.

Escape to Anywhere Else connects to that part in all our lives when numbing is no longer enough. Ivey Doede must take a stand if she is to make it out alive.



## What People are Saying:

**Mariel Hemingway**, academy award nominee, and daughter of Ernest Hemingway.

"I could barely put Escape to Anywhere Else down until the journey came to an end, and I found myself living with the scenes between reads." Kathy Eldon, author of eighteen books including "In The Heart of Life," from HarperCollins.



"A riveting first novel that brings alive two young characters in a life and death struggle, snaring readers from the first page through to its dazzling conclusion."

### **About The Author:**



Robert has been telling stories since a very young age. At sixteen, he wrote and directed a feature film that premiered in Boulder, Colorado to sellout audiences. He has since made over three dozen short films, music videos, and documentaries that have reached millions of viewers worldwide. Robert received the Dan Eldon Activist Award in 2012 and the Eisner Prize from the University of California at Berkeley, which is the school's highest honor awarded for creativity. Robert writes periodically for the Huffington Post and is a film producer and director.