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## SHADOW OF DOUBT WINS 2020 INDIEREADER DISCOVERY AWARD FOR MYSTERY/SUSPENSE/THRILLER

MAY, 28th, 2020 – On Thursday May 28th, <u>IndieReader</u>, one of the original review services for self, hybrid and independently published authors, announced the winners of their annual IR Discovery Awards (IRDAs) for 2020. SHADOW OF DOUBT by SL BEAUMONT won in the Mystery/Suspense/Thriller category.

IndieReader launched the IRDAs in 2011 to help notable indie authors receive the attention of top publishing professionals, with the goal of reaching more readers. Noted Amy Edelman, author and founder of IR, "The books that won the IRDAs this year are not simply great indie books; they are great books, period. We hope that our efforts via the IRDAs ensure that they receive attention from the people who matter most; potential readers." Past and present sponsors for the IRDAs include Amazon, Reedsy, Smith Publicity and NY-based literary agents Dystel, Goderich & Bourret. Judges have included publishers (from Penguin Group USA and Simon & Schuster), agents (from ICM, Dystel), publicists (from Smith Publicity), and bloggers (from GoodeReader).

SHADOW OF DOUBT received the following verdict. "An engaging story of how life isn't always what it seems, SL Beaumont's SHADOW OF DOUBT wonderfully utilizes relatable characters and their complex relationships to weave readers through an intense mystery." by IndieReader's reviewers.

The novel considers the impact of home grown terrorism in the UK following the "leave" vote in the Brexit referendum. On a personal level, Shadow of Doubt considers how well do we know those closest to us?

SL Beaumont, a writer from New Zealand says she is delighted to have won the award and hopes that the win will introduce her work to a wider audience.

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