

Backlash

★★ A WAR OF 1812 NOVEL ★★

"In *Backlash*, Mike Klaassen skillfully weaves the new realities of war with the experiences and emotions of diverse and disparate characters to bring us an adult world rooted in historical fact and the story of human nature's great quest."

Keith A. Herkko, *President, War of 1812 Museum*

"Klaassen sticks closely to the facts and skillfully weaves real history into an engaging and absorbing narrative. This historical fiction that we can believe for accuracy and documentation will find pleasant reading."

Rick Carter, *Warfare and History Store manager,
Tipppecanoe Battlefield Museum, Battle Ground, Indiana*

"The story of the War of 1812, which had so clear a victory, is a conflict that will continuously be debated among historians. It has been described as the war that both sides won and the war that nobody won. A Canadian historian suggested that Americans think that they won the war, that Canadians know that they won the war, and that the British are simply unsure that the conflict took place. It is a complex story. Using the War of 1812 as the setting for *Backlash*, Mike Klaassen has done a superb job of weaving his story around the facts. This novel is extremely engaging and with Klaassen's attention to detail and accurate portrayal of the life and times of that era, his book is not only highly entertaining but also very educational. Readers will enjoy the dramatic war story to learn something new. *Backlash* is a very welcome addition to novel libraries and reading lists based on the colorful events of at a time when America and Canada were anything but friendly neighbors."

Ron Gable, *author, Historian, and former
Superintendent of Virginia National Historic Sites of Canada*

"*Backlash* is a fitting, close to the War of 1812 fiction novel. It is packed full of details that will captivate readers who know the war. Its absorbing narrative will grab anyone looking for a good read."

Douglas Kishler, *York County Historian*



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