

BEREFT



CRAIG LAURANCE GIDNEY

"Gidney has crafted a beautifully assured and insightful debut novel detailing the heightened surreality and emotionalism of teenage life. This book is full of heart-break, humor, and most importantly a deep humane sense of empathy."

—William Johnson
editor, *Lambda*

Literary Review and
publisher of *Mary*
Literary Quarterly

"Craig Gidney's debut novel, *Bereft*, shows the vicious and often violent underside of junior high with boys being boys: hurting each other every way they can to see who survives and who doesn't. Gidney gets it right—the sexual tensions, bullying, surprising friendships. Rafe is a character everyone can relate to."

—Greg Herren

2011 Moonbeam Award Gold Medal recipient for *Sleeping Angel*

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