

A Noble Groom

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BOOK ANNOUNCEMENT

A New Historical Romance From Bestselling Author Jody Hedlund

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Jody Hedlund has established herself as a noteworthy author in the historical fiction genre. She exhibits a mastery of deep emotion, rich romance, and powerful drama in her acclaimed novels, which explore fascinating moments in American history.

With *A Noble Groom*, Hedlund takes a classic archetype in American western romance, the mail-order bride story, and gives it an unexpected twist. Instead of a western bachelor in need of a wife, this novel features a heart-weary widow who agrees to an arranged marriage—and a mail-order groom—in order to save her struggling farm.

Annalisa Werner's hope for a fairy tale love is over. Her husband failed her in every way, and now his death has left her with few options to save the family farm. She needs a plentiful harvest. That, and a husband to help bring it in. Someone strong, dependable. That'll be enough. A marriage for love...that's something she's given up on.

So she allows her father to send a letter to his brother in the Old Country, asking him to find Annalisa a groom.

Then Carl Richards appears, a man from their home country of Germany who claims to be a former schoolteacher. He's looking for work and will serve on the farm until her husband arrives. With time running out, she accepts his help, but there's more to this man than he's admitting. He's also gentle, kind, charming—and unlike any man she's ever known. But even as Carl is shining light into the darkness of her heart, she knows her true groom may arrive any day.

"Hedlund intricately balances romance and drama, asking where the line between good and evil lies and exploring the dangers that erupt when that line becomes blurred. Hedlund's tale is exciting and unpredictable to the very end."

—Publishers Weekly on Unending Devotion

ABOUT THE AUTHOR:



Jody Hedlund is the bestselling author of *The Doctor's Lady*, *The Preacher's Bride*, and *Unending Devotion*. She won the 2011 Inspirational Reader's Choice Award, the 2011 Award of Excellence from the Colorado Romance Writers, and was a finalist for Best Debut Novel in the 2011 ACFW Carol Awards. Currently she makes her home in central Michigan, with her husband and five busy children. She loves hearing from readers on Facebook and on her blog at JodyHedlund.com.