

A Forest Of Loss And Suicide Revealed In Novella Sea Of Trees

From Debut Author Robert James Russell

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Sacramento, CA – A prideful Japanese culture is brought to life within the names and stories given to the many victims of suicide. Robert James Russell's prose weaves you into a dark and troublesome forest of secrets in the chilling, yet beautiful novella *Sea of Trees*.

Swirling mystery permeates Sea of Trees as Bill, an American college student, and his Japanese girlfriend Junko traverse the Aokigahara Forest in Japan—infamous as one of the world's top suicide destinations—in search of evidence of Junko's sister Izumi who disappeared there a year previous. As the two follow clues and journey deeper into the woods amid the eerily quiet and hauntingly beautiful landscape—bypassing tokens and remains of the departed, suicide notes tacked to trees and shrines put up by forlorn loved ones—they'll depend on one another in ways they never had to before, testing the very fabric of their relationship. And, as daylight quickly escapes them and they find themselves lost in the dark veil of night, Bill discovers a truth Junko has hidden deep within her—a truth that will change them both forever.

Sea of Trees, is a 106 page suspense novella. Available on paperback with a retail price of \$13.99, and eBook with a retail price of \$6.99. The ISBN is: 978-0-9851548-6-8. Published through Winter Goose Publishing and available now through all major online retailers. For more information or to request a review copy, contact Winter Goose Publishing at info@wintergoosepublishing.

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Robert James Russell lives in Ann Arbor, Michigan, and has known he wanted to be a writer since he was ten years old. A fan of well-placed stream of consciousness and stories that feature everyday characters and dialogue, Robert has a penchant for stories focusing on relationships in all their many forms. In 2010, he co-founded the literary journal Midwestern Gothic, which aims to catalog the very best fiction of the Midwestern United States—an area he believes is ripe with its own mythologies and tall tales, yet often overlooked.

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