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A tightly woven blend of myth, magic, and the ties of a found family.

Ghosts that speak in smoke. Spirits with teeth like glass. A parasitic, soul-eating spirit worm has gone into a feeding frenzy, but all the Jong-ro Police Department's violent crimes unit sees is a string of suicides. Except for Kim Han-gil, Seoul's only spirit detective. He's seen this before. He'll do anything to stop another tragedy from happening, even if that means teaming up with Shin Yoonhae, the man Han-gil believes is responsible for the horrifying aftermath of his mother's last exorcism.

In their debut novella, Sam Kyung Yoo weaves a tale of mystical proportions that's part crime-thriller, part urban fantasy.

About the Author

Sam Kyung Yoo is a queer/ace author and third-degree black belt taekwondo instructor from Massachusetts. They graduated summa cum laude with a B.A. in English, creative writing, and film studies, but have since abandoned academia to write stories about ghosts, East Asian folklore, and sad robots. Their work has been published by *Fantasy*, *Neon Hemlock Press*, *Strange Horizons*, among others. You can find them online at samkyungyoo.com.

"Atmospheric, layered, and rich with emotion, Small Gods of Calamity is a satisfyingly fresh spin on supernatural noir." — Premea Mohamed, Nebula award winner and author of And What Can We Offer You Tonight

"A refreshing urban occult detective story about imperfect heroes and confronting the roots of trauma. It is a tale of aching quiet beauty led by broken souls, yet it is also one of warmth and reconciliation."

—*Ai Jiang, Nebula finalist and author of Linghun and I Am AI*

Advance Praise for *SMALL GODS OF CALAMITY*

“A gripping, absolutely un-put-downable novella. Yoo hooks you from the first page to the last with a riveting supernatural murder mystery that plays out partly in our everyday world and partly in the perilous world of spirits and ghosts. In the midst of soul-destroying danger and darkness, the main characters are infused with a bright and gentle light, and I hope this isn’t the last time I get to meet Detective Kim Han-gil.” —Maria Haskins, author of *Wolves & Girls* and *Six Dreams About the Train*

“A thrilling five-star read delving into the delicacy of Korean Shamanism and the horror of evil spirit possession. Kyung Yoo’s writing vividly portrays the spiritualist’s world tinged with terror. A dark and delicate descent into this insidious world’s evil spirits. Something in the soul aches at the pain Han-gil and Yoonhae share, yet between them is a bond stronger than the regrets of their past. A thoroughly recommended read for fans of the show *Tress* and paranormal horror in this character-driven, soul-snatching read.” —E.J. Dawson, author of *Behind the Veil*

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