

AGREEMENT between **Madison Scott-Clary** (“the Author”) and **Iris Jay** (“the Artist”). The parties to this Agreement wish to provide a cover illustration (“the Piece”) for the novel “**Marsh**” (“the Work”).

1 Duration

This Agreement governs all rights granted herein in perpetuity.

2 Rights

Artist’s rights The Artist retains all rights to the Piece not granted to the Author below.

Author’s rights The Artist grants rights to use the Piece as novel to be published in conjunction with the Work in print and digital formats, and to be used in marketing and publication.

Copyright Copyright will remain with the Artist with only the above rights licensed.

Artist use The Artist will not sell or display the Piece or a reproduction prior to the publication date without the Author’s written consent. The Artist will not sell or display the Piece or a reproduction without reference to the Work and the Author visible on or attached the Piece or reproduction.

3 Indemnifications

The Artist attests that they are the sole creator of the Piece and that the Piece, to the best of their knowledge:

- Will not infringe on the personal rights of a third party, and
- Will not give rise to claims in defamation, privacy, infringement of copyright or trademark, etc.

The Artist indemnifies and holds harmless the Author against any and all claims, actions, demands, etc. arising from the publication of the Piece. This includes, but is not limited to, actions involving plagiarism, fraud, and theft.

Components The Artist may use related assets, including but not limited to fonts, brushes, or stock imagery, as components in the Piece in accordance to the licenses, including but not limited to reproduction or publication rights, of those assets.

4 Duties

Artist duties The Artist shall:

- Deliver a complete a cover illustration as a high-resolution digital asset,
- Work with the Author, the Author, and any representatives during the pre-publication process, and
- Promote and market the Work as they see fit post-publication.

5 Compensation

Flat fee The Author agrees to pay \$250 USD up front and \$250 USD to the Artist upon receipt of the high-resolution Piece for a total of a flat fee of \$500 USD. The Author will furnish payment via PayPal.

6 Direct Copies

At publication The Author will ship five copies of The Work to the Artist prior to publication for their own sale or use.

Post-publication The Artist will have the right to purchase additional copies at cost plus shipping for sale at their discretion.

7 Publication

Publication date Publication of the Work will not take place after August 1, 2024. Receipt of the Piece will be no later than June 1, 2024.

Reasonable delay Publication may be reasonably delayed due to unforeseeable circumstances through no fault of the Author such as, but not limited to, criminal action, labor disputes, etc.

Sunset If the publication date is not met by August 1, 2024 plus 90 days, this contract will sunset and all rights revert back to the Artist.

8 Competing works

The Artist agrees that they shall publish no other work, during the terms of this contract, that includes any characters, likenesses, or any other material related to the Work mentioned herein, unless agreed upon by the Author (e.g., the Artist may not illustrate subsequent piece with another publisher without prior consent of the Author).

9 Reversion

If the Work is out-of-print and the Author receives a written request for reversion of rights to the Piece from the Artist, the Author shall agree to revert, in writing, to the Artist all rights granted to the Author in this Agreement.

10 Termination

Other than the mechanisms outlined above, this Agreement may only be terminated by written agreement signed by both the Artist and the Author.

11 Additional regulations

This Agreement is subject to the laws and regulations of the State of Washington.

Illustration contract — Marsh

When Artist enters the information below and emails this contract back to the Author, the parties agree that the contract is digitally signed:

First Name _____

Last Name _____

Today's Date _____

Email _____

Author:

Madison Scott-Clary
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Sultan, WA 98294