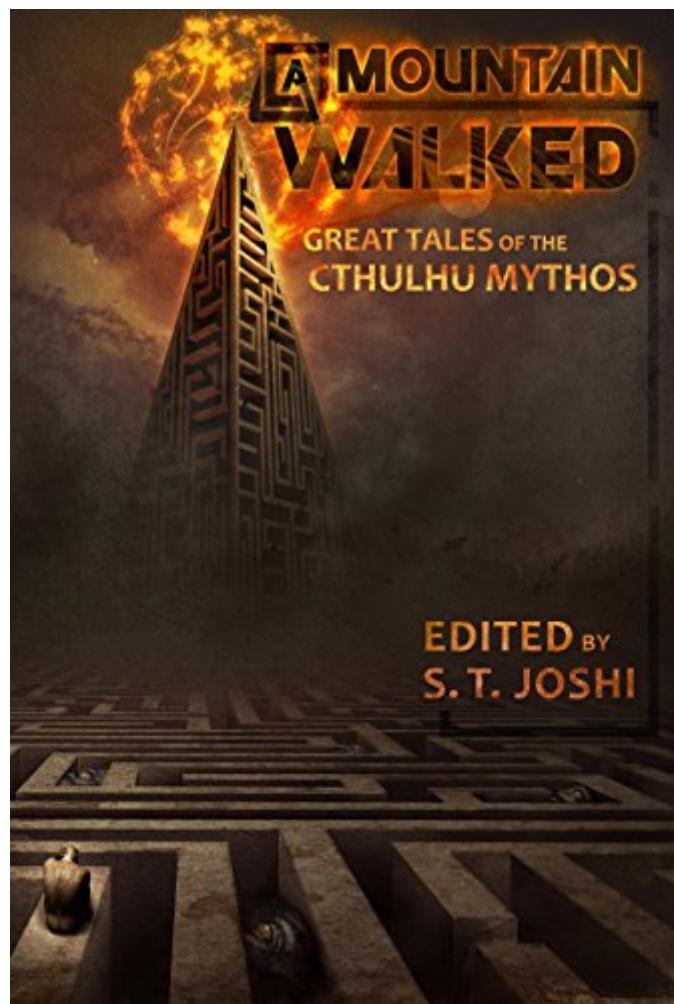


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# A Mountain Walked



## Synopsis

H. P. Lovecraft wrote “The Call of Cthulhu” in 1926, initiating the Cthulhu Mythos, one of the most widely imitated shared-world universes in weird fiction. Even in his lifetime, many other writers added to the Mythos, and after his death hundreds if not thousands of authors of weird, fantasy, and science fiction have added their distinctive elaborations on Lovecraft’s basic themes and ideas. This volume features some of the best Cthulhu Mythos writing over the past century.

Beginning with such rare but classic stories as Mearle Prout’s “The House of the Worm” and Robert Barbour Johnson’s “Far Below,” from the pages of *Weird Tales*, the anthology moves on to James Wade’s novella “The Deep Ones” and Ramsey Campbell’s refreshing riff on the “forbidden book” motif, “The Franklyn Paragraphs.” Acclaimed stories by T. E. D. Klein, Thomas Ligotti, Neil Gaiman, and W. H. Pugmire are also included. The book includes an array of original stories by such leading authors of Lovecraftian fiction as Caitlín R. Kiernan, Joseph S. Pulver, Sr., Donald Tyson, Cody Goodfellow, and Michael Shea. Gemma Files contributes a richly textured novella, while Jonathan Thomas offers a story full of his distinctive melding of horror and satire. *A Mountain Walked* is chock-full of stories old and new that highlight the endless variations that can be played on H. P. Lovecraft’s signature creation. S. T. Joshi is the leading authority on H. P. Lovecraft. He is the author of *I Am Providence: The Life and Times of H. P. Lovecraft* and the editor of the *Black Wings* series of Lovecraftian fiction. He edits the *Lovecraft Annual* and the *Weird Fiction Review*.

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## **Customer Reviews**

I read a lot of Mythos material so I recognized a couple of the stories, but it is an excellent collection of good material. One of the better groupings I have read in many years.

I've been a fan of the Mythos for almost 60 years now, and needless to say, I've read a mountain of horrible fan-fictionist imitations. "A Mountain Walked" was a pleasant exception; some stories were good and some were excellent, but all were well worth reading. It's a well-balanced blend of familiar and new authors, and Joshi's name is almost always a guarantee of excellence. A welcome addition to the genre!

I have the kindle version. Since 1970, I've been reading works in the Lovecraft mythos. This is one of the best anthologies I can recall. I rarely reread a book but I will for some of the stories in 'A Mountain Walked' just to again enjoy the thrill of strangeness and something truly alien.

Usually you will only find maybe one or two gems but not this anthology. I have my favorites as i am sure you will too. Pick this up!!!

A great collection of short stories based on the mythos created by H.P. Lovecraft, but greatly expounded upon by many writers and fans captivated by the brainchild of his imagination. This is the kind of collection that keeps a jaded reader like myself so interested in continuing my favorite pastime with renewed energy!

Another excellent collection of disturbing stories compiled by editor S.T. Joshi.

This anthology delivered on its promise of new Lovecraftian tales. Three great names are included; Gaiman, Kiernan, and Ligotti! The other writers are good as well. I enjoyed it immensely!

Nice collection of new and old Cthulhu Mythos tales that capture the weirdness of HPL'S evolving conception of cosmic horror.

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