## • 神様 •

## • 川上弘美 •

川原【かわら】riverbed

鴫【しぎ】 sandpiper

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成熟 【せいじゅく】 maturity

つい最近【ついさいきん】 recently

越す【こす】(here) to move house

ちかごろ lately; recently; nowadays

ふるまう to behave; to conduct oneself

気の遣い -> 気を遣う【きをつかう】 to worry (about); to pay attention (to)

配慮【はいりょ】consideration; attention; thoughtfulness

満更【まんざら】 (not) altogether

赤の他人【あかのたにん】complete stranger

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表札【ひょうさつ】nameplate; doorplate

 $\$   $\$   $\$   $\$   $\$   $\$  perhaps; by some possibility

某君【ぼうくん】a certain someone

役場 【やくば】own hall

助役【じょやく】 assistant official

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たどる to follow (a road, path, etc.); to trace

またいとこ second cousin

あるか無しか分からぬ almost non-existant

感慨深い 【かんがいぶかい】 moving

縁 【えん; えにし】fate; destiny (esp. as a mysterious force that binds two people together); relationship (e.g. between two people); bond; link; family ties; affinity 駆使 【くし】 using freely; having a good command of

昔気質【むかしかたぎ】 old-fashioned way of thinking; old-fashioned spirit

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Xに詳しい【Xにくわしい】knowledgeable about, well versed in
ツキノワグマ Asian black bear
ヒグマ brown bear
面と向かう【めんとむかう】face-to-face
確認 【かくにん】confirmation
\mathcal{L}OS to give one's name (as); to call oneself; to take (a name)
大時代 【おおじだい】old-fashioned
沿う【そう】 to run along; to follow (a policy, plan, etc.); to align with
舗装【ほそう】pavement
徐行 【じょこう】going slowly
よける avoid (physical contact with), swerve (=さける)
すれちがう to pass (by) each other; to miss (meeting) each other
規則 【きそく】 (n) rule; regulation; (P); ED
響く 【ひびく】to resound
細かい【こまかい】 small; fine; minute; sensitive; attentive
気を配る【きをくばる】to pay attention
Xに強い【Xにつよい】being able to handle; resistant (to)
もしかすると perhaps
一服【いっぷく】(a) puff; (a) smoke; lull; short rest
汗【あせ】sweat
あえぐ to gasp; to pant; to breathe hard
片方【かたほう】one side; the other side; one (of a pair); the other (one)
表情 【ひょうじょう】facial expression
ちらりと fleeting (glimpse, glance, etc.)
うかがう to visit; to ask; to see the situation
正面 【しょうめん】 front; frontage; facade; main
蹴る 【ける】to kick
叫ぶ 【さけぶ】to shout
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こぶし fist

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邪気 【じゃき】malice; ill will

そりゃ=それは

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すいすい lightly and smoothly; swiftly; glidingly

ほてった to feel hot; to flush

一定 【いってい】fixed; settled; defined

幅【はば】width; breadth; range

辿る【はば】to follow (a road, path)

縄張り【なわばり】roping off; demarcation; one's turf; domain; territory

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水しぶき【みずしぶき】splash (of water); spray

రిప్రేమ్ splashing; sloshing

さっと quickly, suddenly

 $\langle \langle \dot{} \rangle \dot{} \rangle d \delta$  to make smth pass through (esp. in cooking); to dip smth (into)

掴む【つかむ】to seize; to catch

岸辺【きしべ】 shore; bank (of a body of water)

3倍【さんばい】three times (as much)

ありそうな probable; likely