

It's Always Been You: A Japanese Romance Collection [Paperback]

Kim Little

SUMMARY

In Japan, there is a word for the person who has been there since before memory begins.

Osananajimi — more than just a childhood friend. The one who knew the real you before the world needed you to pretend. The one you were always yourself with.

Coming back to them is like coming home.

Seven stories inspired by anonymous internet confessions. The things people post in secret when they can't say them out loud. Each reimagined as a story about desire that wasn't fully recognised until now. About the terror of risking the one person you realise you can't afford to lose. About what happens when you finally stop pretending you don't know what you've always wanted.

These stories are sharp, funny, and unapologetically explicit. Set in the real-life Japan of canned cocktails and last trains, summer festivals and shared futons, and all the things that go unsaid.

ADULT CONTEMPORARY ROMANCE | FOR ADULT READERS. CONTAINS EXPLICIT CONTENT

AUTHOR DETAILS

Kim Little has been writing fiction for close to twenty years. Publishing it is a more recent development.

An educator and intercultural consultant, Kim has lived and worked across Japan and North-East Asia: from the rural north to the boardrooms of big cities. Japan is not Kim's subject. It's home, in every sense that matters. These stories are drawn from that life: the places are real or closely based on real places, and the emotional truth of them comes from somewhere you can't invent.

Kim lives in South-East Queensland with their partner and two young children, and spends whatever time isn't claimed by family, work, or writing, trying to keep a collection of Japanese garden plants thriving in the Australian heat.

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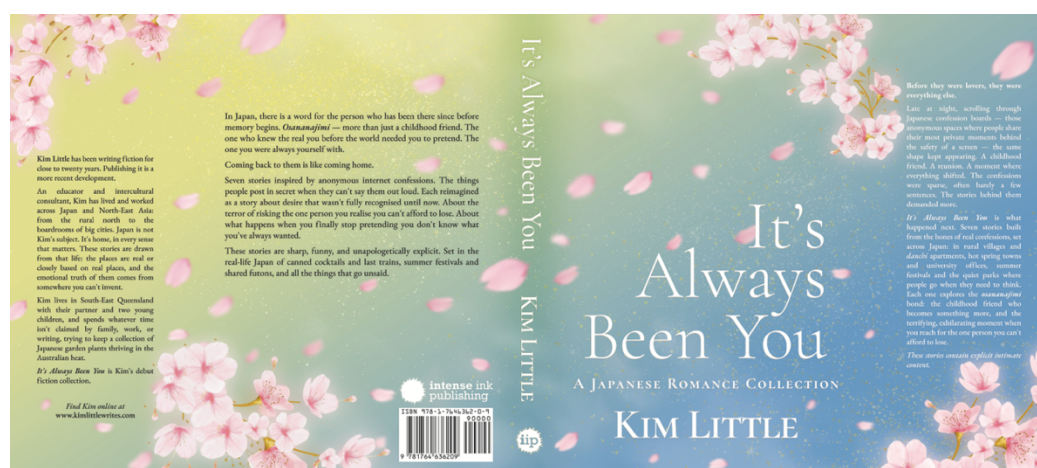
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