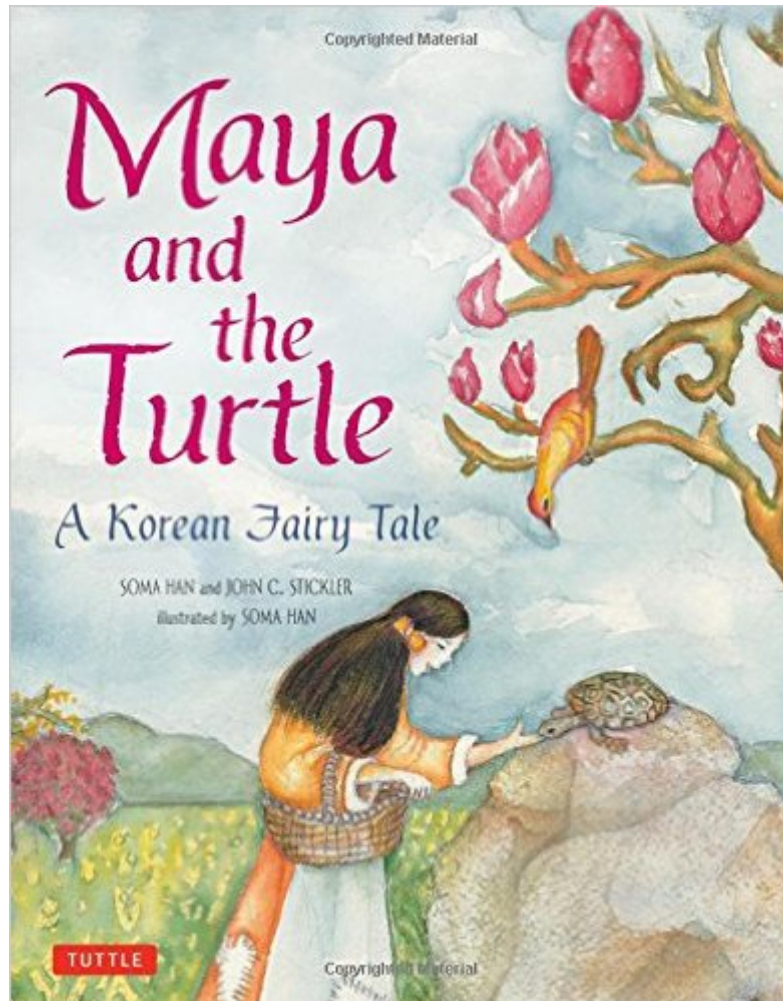


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# Maya And The Turtle: A Korean Fairy Tale



## Synopsis

**\*\*WINNER OF THE INTERNATIONAL 2013-2014 MORNING CALM MEDAL\*\*** This multicultural children's book presents a heartwarming Korean fairy tale about a little girl and a fortunate encounter. Poverty is all Maya has ever known, but she doesn't allow it to stop her from caring for her father, and others, as best she can. Kind and gentle, she is a lovely young girl who always puts others first. One day, she finds a little turtle and takes him home, raising and loving him, never knowing that he will play an instrumental part in her destiny. Similar to The Korean Cinderella, Maya and the Turtle, is an original Korean fairy tale by authors John Stickler and Soma Han that teaches children that the road to greatness lies in selflessness and that the loving kindness of a pure heart can awaken great love and power in another. Beautifully illustrated by Han, this book contains fascinating bits of information about Korean culture and is a poignant tale about the rewards of kindness, patience and courage.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

## Customer Reviews

K-Herald, Los Angeles Times Supplement Aug. 24, 2012, page one Korean Fairy Tale Debuts in L.A. by YUNA HWANG "Maya and the Turtle," a timeless fairy tale from Korea, made its English debut in Los Angeles on Saturday August 18, 2012. Illustrator and co-author Soma Han and co-author, John Stickler signed and "chopped" copies of the new children's book from Tuttle Publishing at two venues in Koreatown -- The Korean Book Center in the Koreatown Plaza and the Pio Pico

Koreatown Library. The book is dedicated to Soma's mother who heard the tale at her mother's knee and passed it on to Soma when she was a little girl. Soma Han Stickler has a degree in literature and a BA in Fine Arts from the California College of the Arts. She is a painter, sculptor, mosaic artist and book illustrator whose work has been exhibited in galleries around the U.S. Her husband, John Stickler, is a graduate of Yale University and spent time in Seoul reporting the news for the CBS radio network. He has written and contributed to nine books. Soma's first ever book, "Tigers, Frogs and Rice Cakes", an illustrated collection of Korean proverbs, was put on the recommended list by the State Board of Education for use in California schools. "Maya and the Turtle", from Tuttle Publishing, is the second book produced by this husband-wife team. The first was a non-fiction picture book, "Land of Morning Calm: Korean Culture Then and Now." The 2003 title is still in print from Shen's Books and was among 11 titles selected by Skipping Stones Magazine for its 2005 Honor Award for multicultural books. Scholastic, the largest publisher of children's books in the world, hosts Book Fairs in schools across the country every August-September.

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