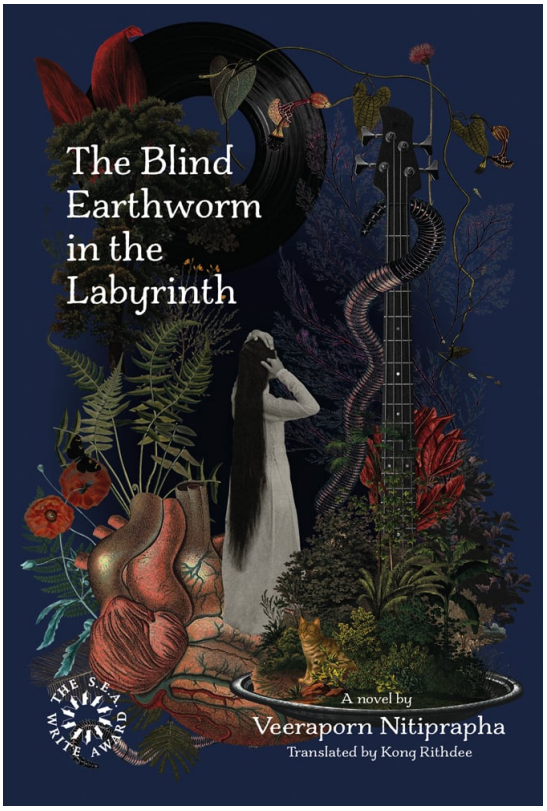
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Watchlist On the day Chareeya is born, her mother discovers her father has been having an affair with a traditional Thai dancer. From that moment, Chareeya's life is fated to carry the weight of her parents disappointment. With her sister, Chalika, she grows up in an insular world, until joined by the laconic orphan, Pran, and together they navigate the labyrinth of their own making, each trying to escape their fate.

Veeraporn Nitiprapha is an established author in Thailand and is widely known and much loved. She won (for this novel) the 2015 S.E.A Write Award for Fiction, a prestigious award in Thailand and the pre-eminent award for fiction. Translator**Kong Rithdee** is a Thai film critic and author and was awarded France's Chevalier dans l'Ordre des Arts et des Lettres.

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