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Rajesh Parameswaran is the author of *I Am an Executioner*, a collection of short stories that has been hailed as "mark[ing] the advent of a genuinely distinctive voice in American fiction" (*Washington Post*) with "stories that make us 'wonder the universe" (*New York Times Book Review*). Among others, it was recognized as a *Washington Post* Best Book of the Year and as one of Amazon's Books of the Year, and it has been been translated into German, Dutch, and Italian.

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