

## The new novel from the author of *Spirits of the Ice Forest*, *Creatures of the Night*

A New Novel by Max Davine



**New York City, New York Jul 7, 2026** ([IssueWire.com](http://IssueWire.com)) - The debut from fledgling publishing house, Wildlands Publishing, *Creatures of the Night*, by multi-award-winning author of *Mighty Mary* and *Spirits of the Ice Forest*, Max Davine.

During the Klondike Gold Rush, a 14-year-old foundling escapes from a British Columbian orphanage and inadvertently joins a group of parlour actresses on their way to Dawson City, seeking their fortunes.

They don't know she is being followed. A beast out of mythology will stop at nothing to possess her forever. Or destroy her and everything she loves.

*Creatures of the Night* is a lycanthropic horror tale that blends the Canadian folklore of the Rougarou with toxic teenage love. The mythological shape shifter and the duality of the abusive lover combine in a deeply disturbing, slow-burn horror set in the isolated and exploitative world of the Klondike parlor actresses. Davine brings the empathy of *Mighty Mary* to his protagonists and the deeply evocative atmosphere of *Spirits of the Ice Forest* to their environment. *Creatures of the Night* is both a tale of terror and appeal to humanity.

“There's rarely a moment in which readers' hairs won't be standing on end.” – Kirkus reviews.

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Praise for *Spirits of the Ice Forest*:

"Davine channels a tremendous amount of research into this drama about a pivotal era in North American history. Vinland itself becomes a vivid presence in the story. A well-crafted, if exceptionally violent, tale of conflict." - Kirkus Reviews

"Fantastic adventure novel. Readers that are looking for an adventure book with a touch of the supernatural will relish it." - Online Book Club

Praise for *Mighty Mary*:

In the tradition of Sewell's *Black Beauty* and London's *White Fang*, this book examines through an animal's eyes the incomprehensibility of human cruelty, as well as its cost - not only to the victim, but to the perpetrator. *Mighty Mary* is a poignant and compelling call for compassion." -  
Author Laura Goodin

"Filled with emotion, this story allows readers a powerful connection with the unusual protagonist, a five-ton elephant. The author's use of anthropomorphism is brilliant and skilful and it enables readers to feel what animals feel." - Reader's Favourite LLC.

"*Mighty Mary* is brutal on reader emotions, but this is a well-told, interesting story that explores the line of brutality and kindness, fear and suffering, and it can cause us to question our own relationship to the animals around us and how they might see us." - Manhattan Book Review

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