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Small Beer Press is proud to present *Kalpa Imperial*, the history of an imaginary empire, by Angelica Gorodischer, a major South American fantasist and translated by Ursula K. Le Guin, one of North America's most dazzling and fearless writers. Gorodischer and Le Guin, born in the same year, are a well-matched, sly and delightful team of magician-storytellers. Rarely have author and translator been such an effortless pairing. *Kalpa Imperial* is a powerful introduction to Angélica Gorodischer and will enthrall readers already familiar with the worlds of Ursula K. Le Guin.

This is the first of Argentinean writer Angélica Gorodischer's many award-winning books to be translated into English. In eleven chapters, *Kalpa Imperial*'s multiple storytellers relate the story of a fabled nameless empire which has risen and fallen innumerable times. Fairy tales, oral histories and political commentaries are all woven tapestry-style into *Kalpa Imperial*: beggars become emperors, democracies become dictatorships, and history becomes legends and stories.

But this is much more than a simple political allegory or fable. It is also a celebration of the power of storytelling. Gorodischer and translator Ursula K. Le Guin are a well-matched, sly and delightful team of magician-storytellers. Rarely have author and translator been such an effortless pairing. *Kalpa Imperial* is a powerful introduction to the writing of Angélica Gorodischer, a novel which will enthrall readers already familiar with the worlds of Le Guin.

Kalpa Imperial has been awarded the Prize "Más Allá" (1984), the Prize "Sigfrido Radaelli" (1985) and also the Prize Poblet (1986). It has had four editions in Spanish: *Minotauro* (Buenos Aires), *Alcor* (Barcelona), *Gigamesh* (Barcelona), and *Planeta Emecé Editions* (Buenos Aires).

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