



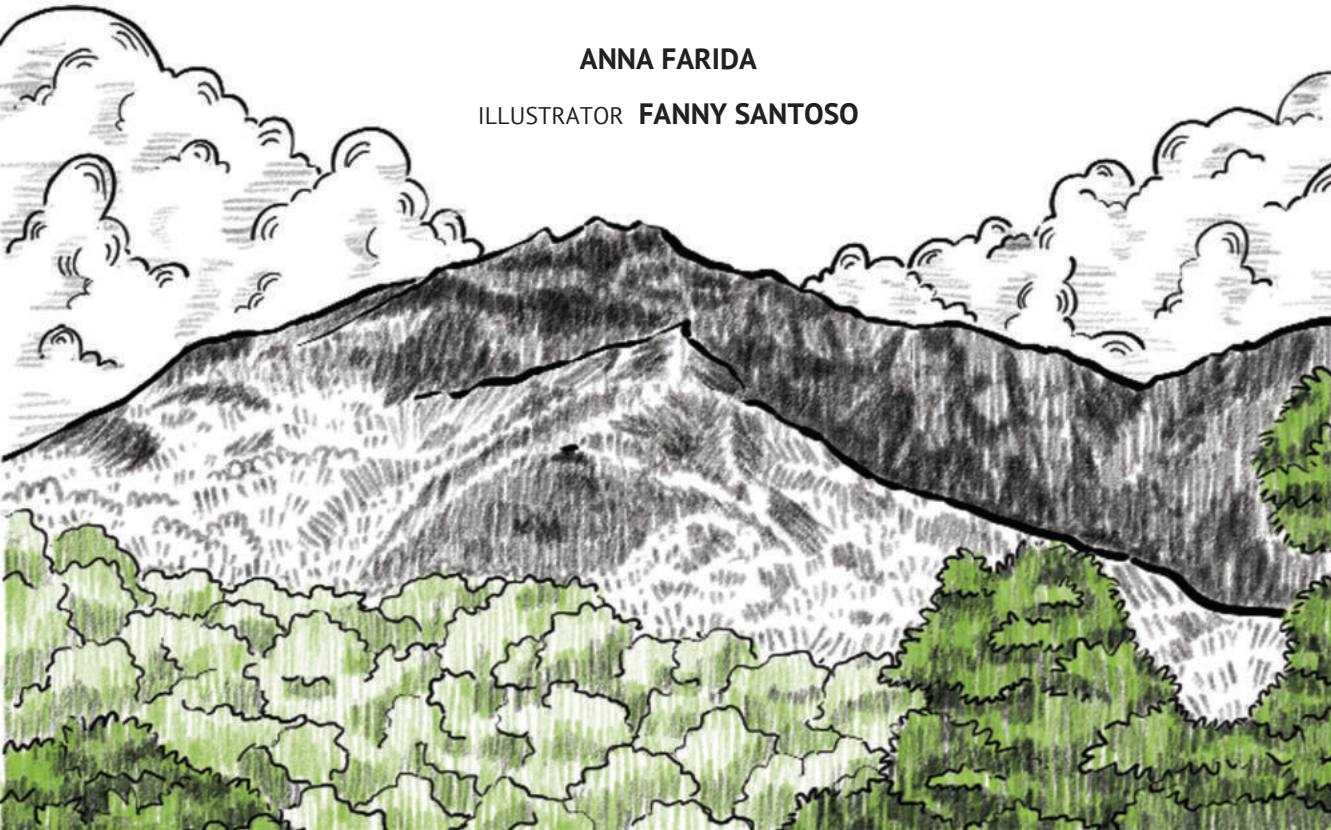
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# JAGAPATI BUMI

## THE GUARDIAN MYTHS OF THE INDONESIAN ARCHIPELAGO

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## Foreword

Wait a minute.

What make you open this book?

Is it the cover? Or the title?

Is it by accident, or just out of curiosity? Jagapati Bumi.

What flickers through your mind when you read those two words?

At the very least, you know the meaning of “jaga” (to guard) and “bumi” (the Earth), don’t you?

We will unravel its connection to sacred pools, sacred trees, the drum of death, myths from Papua, and various taboos found in Kampung Naga.

You’ll also examine illustrations crafted with inking and sketching techniques using a limited color palette. Discover the hidden messages woven between the strokes of ink.

Let’s reveal the secrets.

Your shivering friends,

**Anna Farida dan Fanny Santoso**

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