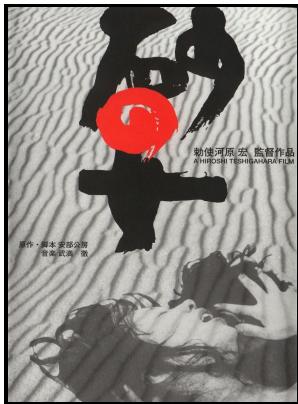


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However, his negative traits are still sometimes visible alongside his positive ones, in the stories of Father Frost - who is also called King Frost in the tales. This tradition symbolises the transition from winter to spring.

## Rafe Martin

They were not brother and sister; but they cared for each other as much as if they were. The poor girl sat down beside a fir tree and began to weep quietly. So there is no way of knowing what portions are original, and what are additions.

## Folktales: Yukinko, the Snow Maiden

It was a terrible storm; and the air was every moment becoming colder; and Minokichi shivered under his rain-coat. It was full of cracks from top to bottom; and out of the openings magpies and rooks were flying; and the great bull-dogs, each of which looked as if he could swallow a man, jumped up, but they did not bark, for that was forbidden. It is not enough that Ded Moroz creates miracles in Ustyug.

## Yuki

Shoes and a muff were given her; she was, too, dressed very nicely; and when she was about to set off, a new carriage stopped before the door. Tradition says that Snegurochka and Father Frost spend the warmer days high up in the colder region, but each year when the cold winds blow further south, so too do the winter magician and his fairy goddaughter return to visit the gentle spirits so similar to the kind elderly couple. The Fire Son was delighted, but the perpetual heat in which he lived made his body so hot, that it was dangerous to go too close to him.

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