

Opportunity Knocks #32

It's November and that means its National Novel Writing Month! Here's some literary magazines and writing opportunities to get your wheels spinning as you dive into your next bit of writing. Email publishme@colum.edu with any comments or questions.

OPEN SUBMISSIONS

Under the Gum

Their Angle: Looking for “authentic connections through vulnerability.”

What They Publish: Creative nonfiction and visual art

Link: <http://underthegumtree.com/>

The Portland Review

Their Angle: They want “fine crafted” and previously unpublished works.

What They Publish: Fiction, poetry, nonfiction, art

Link: <https://portlandreview.submittable.com/submit>

Black Denim Lit

Their Angle: Looking for fiction up to 7,500 words that has unique and lasting artistic merit.

What They Publish: Fiction; “Sci-Fi”, “Crime/Suspense”, “Fantasy”

Link: <http://www.bdlit.com/>

The Pinch

Their Angle: “*The Pinch* doesn’t care who you know or where you’ve been; if you have a narrative or a poem that makes the old new or the new classic, we are interested in reading it.”

What They Publish: Fiction, nonfiction, poetry, art, cross-genre

Link: <http://www.pinchjournal.com/>

Juked

Their Angle: To publish work of “all stripes and colors”

What They Publish: Fiction, nonfiction, poetry, photography

Link: <http://www.juked.com/>

Contests

Creative Nonfiction Magazine's The Weather Issue Essay Contest

Their Angle: Finding true stories about fog, drought, flooding, tornado-chasing, etc. Well-crafted essay to change the way we view the world around us.

Prize: \$1000 for 1st place; \$500 for runner up

Deadline: April 13, 2015

Link: <https://www.creativenonfiction.org/submissions/weather>

The Boiler Flash Contest

Their Angle: Looking for flash essays under 600 words. "The only rule is you must sustain our attention and craft a well-written, sleek, beautiful little thing."

Prize: \$600 to 1st and 2nd place winners

Deadline: January 15, 2015

Link: <http://theboilerjournal.com/500-word-challenge/>

Press 53 Award for Short Fiction

Their Angle: Awarding an outstanding, unpublished collection of short stories.

Prize: \$1000 cash advance, publication, and travel expenses and lodging for a special reading and book signing party

Deadline: December 31, 2014

Link: http://www.press53.com/award_for_short_fiction.html

Imagine Little Tokyo: Short Story Contest

Their Angle: Looking for original, unpublished fictional stories writing in English with Little Tokyo as the main backdrop. The story can take place in the past, present, or future tense. Work would preferably be under 2,500 words.

Prize: \$600 for 1st; \$400 for 2nd

Deadline: January 31, 2015

Link: <http://www.freelancewriting.com/freewritingcontests/FWC-tokyo-short-story-contest.php>