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The Speculative Literature Foundation (SLF) is pleased to announce its first older writers grant of \$750. The grant is available to any writer of speculative literature of 50 years or older at the time of application who is just beginning to work professionally in the field. There are no restrictions on the use of the grant money.

The grant will be awarded by a committee of SLF staff members on the basis of interest and merit. Applicants are asked to submit a brief autobiographical statement, a writing sample, and a bibliography. For full details on how to apply for the grant, please see the SLF web site: <u>http://www.speculativeliterature.org/Awards/SLFOlderWriters.php</u>, or email <u>olderwriters@speclit.org</u>. Applications must be received by December 31st 2004. The successful applicant will be announced on January 15th 2005.

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The Speculative Literature Foundation is a volunteer-run, non-profit organization dedicated to promoting the interests of readers, writers, editors and publishers in the speculative literature community.

"Speculative literature" is a catch-all term meant to inclusively span the breadth of fantastic literature, encompassing literature ranging from hard and soft science fiction to epic fantasy to ghost stories to folk and fairy tales to slipstream to magical realism to modern

mythmaking -- any literature containing a fabulist or speculative element.

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