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The 2007 Gulliver Travel Research Grant will be open for applications from July 1st, 2007 to September 30th, 2007. The grant is not currently available for academic research, though we hope to offer such funds in the future. The SLF is currently offering one \$600 travel grant annually, to be used to cover airfare, lodging, and/or other travel expenses.

The Gulliver Travel Research Grant is awarded to assist writers of speculative literature, including fiction, drama, poetry, and creative nonfiction, in their research. (The Gulliver Travel Research Grant is only awarded to writers of speculative fiction, poetry, drama, or creative nonfiction. The speculative genre typically includes science fiction, fantasy, slipstream, and sometimes horror)

The Gulliver Travel Research Grant, formerly the Speculative Literature Foundation Travel Research Grant, was renamed in November 2006 at the request of the grant sponsor. Gulliver, a character in the 1726 story "Gulliver's Travels" written by Jonathan Swift, represents one of the earliest examples of fantasy travel.

Full details can be found on the SLF website at here -----

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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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