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Grant Winners Announcement (Older Writers, Diverse Writers, and Diverse Worlds)

The winner of the 2021 Older Writers Grant is Angela Yuriko Smith for her submission "Perfect Girlfriend." Angela Yuriko Smith is an American poet, publisher and author of Okinawan descent. Her first collection of poetry, *In Favor of Pain*, was nominated for a 2017 Elgin Award. Her novella, *Bitter Suites*, is a 2018 Bram Stoker Awards® Finalist. In 2019 she won the SFPA's poetry contest in the dwarf form category. She has been nominated for a 2020 Pushcart Prize. She co-publishes *Space and Time*, a publication dedicated to fantasy, horror and science fiction since 1966. Join the community at spaceandtime.net or visit angelayurikosmith.com.

The winner of the 2021 Diverse Writers Grant is S. Qiouyi Lu for her submission "Tongueforger." S. Qiouyi Lu writes, translates, and edits between two coasts of the Pacific. Her debut biocyberpunk novella *In the Watchful City* is out now from Tordotcom Publishing, and her other work has appeared in several award-winning venues. You can find out more about S. at her website s.qiouyi.lu or on Twitter [@sqiouyilu](https://twitter.com/sqiouyilu).

The winner of the 2021 Diverse Worlds Grant is Elena Pavlova for "The Life and Adventures of Hillmeria Cat." Elena Pavlova (she/her) lives in Montana, Bulgaria. She has Asperger's syndrome and is agender. Her short stories in Bulgarian have appeared in various Bulgarian anthologies and magazines, winning awards from national competitions. In 2019, her middle-grade SF novel *Kamen and the Pirates from 5-B* won the Bulgarian national award *Konstantin Konstantinov*.



The SLF \$1000 Gulliver Travel Grant

We are currently accepting submissions for the Gulliver Travel Grant! Applications will November 1 through the 30th. Click [here](#) for more information.

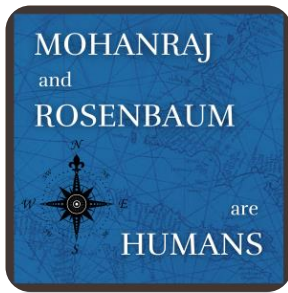
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WEEKLY CO-WRITING

WHEN: Saturday

When: 11am-2pm CDT

Opens with 10-15 minutes of introduction followed by 45 minutes of silent writing, done three times, from beginning to end.

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