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**Angela Yuriko Smith Wins Speculative Literature Foundation's 2021 Older Writers Grant**

**November 2021**—The Speculative Literature Foundation is pleased to announce that Angela Yuriko Smith is the winner of the 2021 Older Writers Grant.

Angela Yuriko Smith is the winner of the 2021 Older Writers Grant 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 SFFA'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](http://spaceandtime.net) or visit [angelayurikosmith.com](http://angelayurikosmith.com).

The Speculative Literature Foundation's Older Writers Grant is awarded annually since 2004 to a writer who is fifty years of age or older at the time of grant application, and is intended to assist such writers who are just starting to work at a professional level. The \$1,000 grant can be used as each writer determines will best assist his or her work.

Founded in January 2004 to promote literary quality in speculative fiction, the all-volunteer Speculative Literature Foundation is led by Mary Anne Mohanraj and 30 other committed volunteers. The Foundation maintains a comprehensive website offering information for readers, writers, editors and publishers of speculative fiction, develops book lists and outreach materials for schools and libraries, and raises funds for redistribution to other organizations in the field, as well as five awards made annually to writers, including the Diverse Worlds and Diverse Writers Grants. For more information, visit [speculativeliterature.org](http://speculativeliterature.org).

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