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SLF Monthly Newsletter

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Announcing the winner of the 2023 AC Bose Grant

The Speculative Literature Foundation is pleased to announce that Kiran Kaur Saini is the winner of the 2023 AC Bose Grant.

Learn more

Older Writers Grant deadline for submissions May 31

The Older Writers Grant awards $1,000 annually to assist writers age 50+ who are just starting to work at a professional level.

Learn more

Mohanraj and Rosenbaum Are Humans: Season 2 teaser

Mohanraj and Rosenbaum Are Humans is making a return to a podcast app near you on May 22, 2023! Prepare for a season of guests like the hosts from the Skiffy and Fanty Show, hosts of the Coode Street Podcast, authors and writers like Andrea Hairston and Yvette Ndlovu, and more.

Learn more
Upcoming workshops

The SLF’s virtual classes and sessions are focused on helping writers master different writing methods and sharpen their understanding and use of the various elements of speculative fiction. Upcoming workshops include: Writing About Mental Health and Writing the Taboo.

Learn more

Call for jurors

The SLF needs volunteer jurors to help read applications for the Older Writers Grant. Interested? Send a brief note to grants@speculativeliterature.org with the subject line: JUROR.

Learn more

Co-writing opportunities

The SLF hosts regular Saturday co-writing sessions from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. CDT. This session is for writers who would like support for their writing, and is currently open to anyone interested in being a part of our writing community.

Learn more
Membership

Not a member yet? The SLF serves the speculative literature community through support from people like you. Members receive benefits including access to the SLF Discord, invitations to members-only panels, discounts on SLF events, programs and courses and more!

Learn more

Opportunities for writers

The **PEN/Phyllis Naylor Grant for Children’s and Young Adult Novelists** is offered annually to an author of children’s or young adult fiction for a novel-in-progress. The award was developed to help writers whose work is of high literary caliber and assist a writer at a crucial moment in their career to complete their novel. The author of the winning manuscript will receive an award of $5,000. Applications will be accepted through June 1, 2023 at [pen.org/pen-phyllis-naylor-grant/](https://pen.org/pen-phyllis-naylor-grant/).

The **Dream Foundry Contest for Emerging Writers** is an annual, no submission fees contest with cash prizes. Submissions are open now through June 18, 2023. Learn more at [dreamfoundry.org/writing-contest](https://dreamfoundry.org/writing-contest).

Submissions are now open for **Grist's 2023/2024 “Imagine 2200: Climate Fiction for Future Ancestors” short story contest**. Imagine 2200 was inspired and informed by literary movements like Afrofuturism and Indigenous, Latinx, Asian, disabled, queer, and feminist futurisms, along with hopepunk and solarpunk. There is no cost to enter. Apply by June 13, 2023 at [grist.org/climate-fiction/imagine-2200-contest-submissions](https://grist.org/climate-fiction/imagine-2200-contest-submissions).
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