

Submission Guidelines for Inklings 2022 – 2023

1. Submitting prose, poetry, artwork/photos

- Open to all Suncoast Writers Guild (SWG) members in good standing.
- Submission deadline: **June 1, 2023**
 - Submissions previously published in or submitted to other publications are welcome
 - Submissions will **ONLY** be accepted between **February 1, 2023 – June 1, 2023**.
- You may submit a total of **3,500 words maximum**. Longer pieces will not be accepted.
- All submissions must be appropriate for a family audience. SWG reserves the right to reject any submission that is deemed inappropriate.
- Submission process:
 - Each submission must be in a separate Word document and include the title of your piece and author's name or pen name. *There are no specific formatting requirements.*
 - File Naming: Author Name (last, first) and submission title (long titles may be abbreviated) (Example: Hemingway_Ernest_ForWhomTheBellTolls)
 - You may include a maximum **25-word** bio on page one of your Word file. If you are submitting multiple Word files, you only need to put your bio in one of the files.
 - Please carefully proofread your work before submitting.
 - Send an email, with your Word document(s) attached, to inklingssubmission@gmail.com
Subject Line: Your Name – Inklings Submission.
 - You will receive an acknowledgement e-mail.
 - Your submission will be forwarded to our editor for review. The editor will do only light editing, if required – for instance to correct typos, spelling and punctuation. If more extensive editing is required for any reason, the editor will contact you to discuss.
 - A galley proof will be sent to you via email for your review. Only minor changes will be accepted at that point.
 - Once you provide final approval, no additional changes will be permitted.
 - Photos/Artwork: We will try to include original submitted photos (300 dpi minimum) or artwork to accompany your copy if requested. You must own the rights to any artwork or photos (please provide the credits). They will be reproduced in black and white and sized to fit. They must be submitted at the time you send your copy. If you have a preference about where the artwork should appear in your piece, please include that information. We will try to accommodate your preference.

2. Inklings Cover Photo Contest

- You may electronically submit up to **three (3)** original photos/artwork for consideration. The photos/artwork must have a resolution of 300 dots per inch or higher. You must own the rights.
- Submissions will **ONLY** be accepted between **February 1, 2023 – June 1, 2023**.
- The winning cover photo will be determined by Guild member votes, and the winner will be credited.

3. Payment:

PLEASE NOTE: Do not send any payment until you are billed.

- You will be billed \$2.50 per page, based on your total page count in the published edition, with a minimum charge of \$7.50.
- You will have the opportunity to order extra copies at approximately \$7.50 per copy. *Price may vary slightly, depending on the length of the book.*
- You will receive one (1) free copy of *Inklings*.