



THE CORNELL BLACK ALUMNI ASSOCIATION (CBAA) LITERARY GRANT

The CBAA Literary Grant will be awarded to an active member of CBAA. The active member will be a first-time author of a fiction or non-fiction novel- in-progress. Novellas, children's books and collections of closely linked short stories may also be considered for the competition.

The award is intended:

- *To stimulate creative writing among CBAA members,*
- *To support first time CBAA authors as they embark on publishing a novel,*
- *To showcase the talents of CBAA members, and*
- *To provide an opportunity for first time CBAA authors to network with published Cornell Alumni.*

Eligibility: The competition is open to dues paying or life members of CBAA who have not previously published a novel. Officers of CBAA are not eligible for the award. (Authors of scientific papers, journal articles can apply).

Entry Fee: None

Entry Requirements:

- Application (including **signed non-disclosure and original work attestations**)
- One Manuscript (see guidelines below)
- One-page Personal Statement (see questions below)
- Curriculum Vitae

Genres accepted: Fiction, Non-Fiction and Children's books.



Manuscript Submission Guidelines

A two-page (**maximum**) outline of the entire novel and the *first* 50 pages of the novel-in-progress are to be submitted. **Submit entire manuscript if less than 50 pages.**

Manuscript Formatting:

The manuscript must be:

- Typed
- Double-Spaced
- Page-Numbered

If submitting via snail mail:

- Include name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address (if available) **on the title page ONLY - nowhere else on the manuscript.**

If submitting via our online application or via email:

- **DO NOT INCLUDE** name, address, telephone number and e-mail address **anywhere on the manuscript.**

If a manuscript is selected for the final round, the author will be asked to send another copy of the originally submitted first 50 pages plus pages 51-100.

Submissions will be acknowledged by an email.

Failure to comply with manuscript guidelines and entry requirements may disqualify entries.

Entries can be sent electronically via **email**. If you would like to send a hard copy, please reach out to vpfundraising@cbaa1976.com **AND** secretary@cbaa1976.com for additional information.

***Electronic entries** will be accepted **no later than midnight, May 15, 2018.**

PLEASE NOTE: This grant is to be used **explicitly for publishing a manuscript**. The grant covers fees associated with publishing, i.e. art work, ISBN number, proofreading. **The author will be solely responsible for selling, marketing and promoting book once published.** CBAA may use the author's name and book to promote future Literary Grant awards. Winner(s) will be advertised on CBAA website and in newsletter.

The winner will be notified and announced during CBAA Reunion 2018 (June 7th – 10th, 2018 in Ithaca, NY).