

Submission Guidelines

Zócalo is focussed on encouraging new writing free from commercial considerations, and in upholding and promoting an ethical and sustainable approach to publishing.

We are currently accepting work for our next three chapbook series:

Mind Games

This is a series of cyberpunk and mundane science fiction writing concerned with the human mind and human psychology. Both fiction and speculative essays are welcome. Although the genre is science fiction, feel free to expand on it (and the theme) and push its boundaries as far as you wish.

Myth

This series title is open to interpretation and need not feature anywhere in your work. There are no restrictions on the kind of writing you may submit. Fiction or non-fiction prose, poetry, essays, as well as work which may not be readily classified as such, are all welcome.

Portraits of Women

For this series we are particularly interested in essays on female characters in literature: for example, we would welcome essays on Cassandra in Greek mythology and on Sylvia Plath's poem 'Lady Lazarus'. In addition to essays, other submissions may include: extracts from novels you have written, depicting a female character in a meaningful way (it does not have to be a physical portrait but could also be, for example, the description of a life-changing insight, or decision, etc.); poems; or short stories with female protagonists. This list is not meant to be exhaustive though – please feel free to submit any texts you feel would fit in with this theme.

THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES APPLY TO ALL OUR NEW SERIES:

Length

Work should be between 1,000 and 1,800 words, or no longer than 180 lines for poetry (whether one or several poems).

Closing date for submissions

All submissions must be with us by **Sunday 31st January, 2010**. You may submit as many pieces of work as you wish.

Information we need from you

Please supply your contact details and indicate for each piece of work the series in which you would expect it to be included. If you feel that writing under a pseudonym would give you greater freedom or benefit your work in any way, we would encourage this.

Payment

Unfortunately, we are not currently in a position to pay anyone for their work.

SENDING YOUR WORK TO US

e-mail submissions: writing@zocalopress.com

If you have any questions, please contact us using the e-mail address above.

Thank you.

Zócalo Press