

Calling all established and aspiring writers/artists!



“Hope and Resilience Under Covid-19” A Bishop’s University Lifelong Learning Academy (BULLA), Write Here, Write Now! Publication

WHWN, a part of Bishop’s University Lifelong Learning Academy (BULLA), is thrilled to bring you a new project. Looking at life under Covid-19, we are compiling a collection of works that explores the themes of hope and resilience during these exceptional times. “Hope and Resilience Under Covid-19” will be published as both a paperback and an e-book in summer, 2021.

- ✚ Do you like to write? Do you have a story to tell? Are you a poet, an essayist, a short story author? Are you artistic? All genres welcome: fiction, memoir, haiku, flash fiction, photography, drawings, paintings etc.

WHWN invites aspiring and established authors, and artists, to submit written or visual works to be included in the book. Perhaps snapshots of daily life under quarantine, examples of human resilience in these extraordinary circumstances, what got you and your family through dark days, or maybe a piece about explaining to an alien why they can’t invade our planet without wearing their masks!

- ✚ Free workshops will be run, via Zoom, during the autumn and winter to support writers interested in contributing to the project. *Note that you are invited to attend the workshops but it is not a requirement to submit work.*

You are welcome to submit up to three (3) items. Please see below for details on how to enter.

Any questions? Please contact Rebecca Welton: rebecca@weltonfamily.ca

The deadline for submission is March 20, 2021.



Guidelines

What kind of works can be submitted?

- ✓ All genres are welcome, as long as they relate to the premise of the project. Written work, in English, must be original, unpublished material, edited and polished to the best of your ability. (Previously published work may be accepted with permission of the publisher/editor of the original publication.)

All works must be formatted in Word, double-spaced, Arial, 12 point.

- ✓ Certain words will be accepted in italics or bold, but please do not use these for the entire text.
- ✓ Your name should appear on the first page and all pages should be numbered.

Specifications for written works

- Poetry – max three poems, totalling 150 lines or less.
- Short prose pieces of fiction or non-fiction – max 2 pieces, word count 500.
- Longer stories or non-fiction – max 1 piece, word count 3,000.

Specifications for visual material:

Visual material can be:

- Unpublished illustrations (such as drawing, painting, cartoons etc.)
 - Unpublished original photographs.
 - Vertical images (taller than they are wide) are preferred, but horizontal photos are accepted.
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- ✓ All images should be 300 dpi resolution in either JPG, TIF, PNG, or PDF.
 - ✓ Your name should not appear on the photo or artwork, but on email submission.
 - ✓ Submissions must relate in some way to the theme (please explain how in your email).

How can I enter?

Work must be submitted digitally, by March 20, 2021, to:

rebecca@weltonfamily.ca

Please put “Covid-19 book” in the subject line of your email. Please include:

1. Your name, address, telephone number, email address and a brief (3 lines) biography.
2. Details of your submission(s). For written work, include word count, titles, and whether it is fiction or nonfiction. For visual work, include title/name, brief (one sentence) description and media type (photo, digital creation, cartoon, etc.)

What will happen to my submissions?

Once received, identifying information will be removed and an editorial team will “blind judge” the submissions.

There are two categories of acceptance for publication:

1. Acceptance – the work is accepted for publication as entered.
2. Provisional acceptance – where work shows promise, some writers may be asked to attend an online workshop with two or three other writers, in order to edit their works and resubmit.

You will be notified in May 2021 if your submission is chosen for publication. If selected for publication, you will receive a free copy of the ebook. Paperback books may be available for sale.

How many items may I submit?

You are welcome to submit up to three (3) items as long as you follow all the rules and guidelines above. All submissions can be included in the same entry; however, each story must have its own details (title, word count, type etc.).

Questions?

Please contact rebecca@weltonfamily.ca for further information.

Please note: WHWN will NOT return submitted works to the sender. Do NOT send masters or original copies. WHWN bears no responsibility for loss or damage to submitted materials. Only those whose submissions are accepted for publication will be notified. This project is presented by WHWN with thanks to BULLA.