



CALL FOR WRITERS:

What has formed your image(s) of yourself as the woman you are...or are meant to be? What has transformed your life as a woman growing into your own power and wholeness...as a woman giving birth to your own soul?

Womanspace Center of Rockford, IL—a not-for-profit organization focused on the core values of connecting, empowering, creating, and transforming—is currently seeking submissions for an anthology of women’s poetry and non-fiction to be published in the spring of 2011.

Submissions should relate to one or both of the central questions listed above, with a focus on growth and/or change inspired through experiences of the body, mind, heart, or spirit. Relevant experiences might include, but are not limited to: Body-centered experiences unique to women (i.e., menarche, menopause, pregnancy, childbirth); sexuality, illness, aging; the influence(s) of culture, ethnicity, religion; relationships (friendship, marriage/partnership, parenting, mentoring); work/career; insight from a book, some other art form, or your own creativity/creative expression; travel; experiences in or of the natural world; rites of passage (coming of age, milestones, death, other forms of loss).

- 1) Submitting authors must be women, who are at least 18 years of age. We seek a diversity of ages, backgrounds, experiences, and viewpoints.
- 2) Submissions must be new work, not previously published.
- 3) Submissions of non-fiction may represent diverse genres (i.e., essay, journaling), with a limit of two pages, double-spaced. Length of poetry is at the poet’s discretion.
- 4) Each writer is limited to 5 submissions (which may be divided between the two categories).
- 5) Submissions will be accepted via **US mail** or **e-mail**:

Red Tent Anthology
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Subject line: Red Tent Anthology

Writers should include a brief biographical statement as well as contact information (eg: mailing address, e-mail address, phone number.)

(If submitting by U.S. mail, please include a self-addressed stamped envelop, with postage sufficient to return submissions plus letter of response.)

- 6) There is no entry fee.
- 7) Writers whose work is chosen for publication will be notified individually. In addition, the list of chosen writers will appear on our [web site](#) by June 1.
- 8) Writers whose work is chosen will receive 1 free copy of the anthology (plus a 50% discount on additional copies) and will be invited to read their work at a public reading at Womanspace, to be scheduled some time during our “Red Tent event”* (June 21 – 26).
- 9) Submissions will be accepted between Jan. 1 and March 1; they will be read as they come in.

* Red Tent: A gathering of women of diverse ages and backgrounds, celebrating our uniqueness. For more information about the Red Tent concept, go to www.redtentwomensproject.org.