## MEMBER PROFILE GUIDELINES

## BOTH PUBLISHED AND UNPUBLISHED MEMBERS ARE ELIGIBLE TO SUBMIT.

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**HEADSHOT:** Attach file to your email transmitting your completed questions

**GENRE(S)**: may be fiction and non-fiction (or both), poetry, essays, etc.

**Q & A**: Answer any <u>six</u> of the ten questions (125-word limit each) and delete the rest.

Skip a space between questions and answers

## **QUESTIONS TO CHOOSE FROM:**

## Q & A

What has been your most rewarding moment as an author?

What kind of research goes into writing your novels and how much time does it take?

If you could offer one piece of writing advice to a novice author, what would it be?

What have been some of the biggest helps for developing your writing skills? Written resources, classes or conferences, fellow writers you've learned from or have mentored you, other?

How often do you write, and do you have a strict routine and writing plan?

Have you ever based characters on real people? Give us a couple of examples.

What's the best piece of writing-related advice that you've received?

How do you find your ideas for a book?

What kind of books do you enjoy reading and how often do you read?

Do you have your books edited, critiqued, and/or beta-reviewed? If so, what is your usual procedure?

What made you consider writing in the first place?

Who is your favorite author and why?

What genres appeal most to you as a writer?

What has helped/hindered you in deciding to begin the writing process?

Does the idea of writing energize you or exhaust you? Or both?

What is your goal/dream as an author?

Did your formal education or upbringing/background prepare you in any way to write?

**AWARDS:** Writing-related only. If none, leave blank.

**BIOGRAPHY:** 150-word limit.

**E-MAIL:** If none, leave blank.

**WEBSITE:** Type in URL. If none, leave blank.

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