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FIELDNOTES Folio Prize FAQs

Q: The prize is described as being for ‘unpublished authors’ what forms of previous publication would make applicants ineligible for the prize?

A: Writers will be considered ineligible for the prize if they have published a full-length book in any genre with either an independent or commercial publisher. This includes writers with a contract for future publication from an independent or commercial publisher. This also includes writers who have previously published with an independent or commercial publisher using a pseudonym.

Writers will remain eligible for the prize if they have previously published only in any of the following formats:

- self-published (either online or in print)
- published work in a periodical, magazine, journal, or anthology alongside other authors
- published a book with a micro-press (with 200 or fewer copies in distribution)
- published only online
- been credited as an editor for a book-length project including other authors’ work

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Q: Are simultaneous submissions accepted?

A: Yes, we can accept simultaneous submissions but please notify us immediately of acceptance elsewhere.

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Q: Do you accept manuscripts produced partially or entirely using AI?

A: We expect all submissions to have entirely human authors. An exception is made for work in which AI is used intentionally as a creative tool, this process must be described clearly and transparently in a note attached to the submission.

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Q: You specify that the manuscript should be double-spaced. Is this only for prose? Or also for poetry?

A: We request that all submitted manuscripts are double-spaced, 12 pt, Times New Roman, but an exception is made if single-spacing is essential to the form of the poetry.

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Q: Does the manuscript have to be entirely unpublished or can elements/extracts have been published previously in periodicals?

A: We are happy to accept a mix of published and unpublished material in the manuscript but please include a note describing which elements have been published previously and where.

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Q: Will an advance or royalties be offered in addition to the prize?

A: The prize money of £1000 is the total amount that will be offered.