Submission Guidelines

Have your work published in Aurora!

Aurora, Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College's 150-year-old magazine of literature and art, is now accepting submissions for the 2020 issue, to be released April 2020. Submissions will remain open until Wednesday, January 15th.

We know that the Woods—both campus and online—is a place for diverse voices, and we want to showcase yours. Aurora, put simply, is our beacon for the arts.

Aurora will accept written work in the following genres:

- Fiction, not to exceed 2000 words
- Literary nonfiction, not to exceed 2000 words
- Poetry
- Short dramatic work, such as one act plays
- (We'd love to see more prose in the magazine!)

Aurora will accept visual art in the following genres:

- Paintings
- Photography
- Illustrations
- Photography of three-dimensional art
- (We'd love to see more non-photography in the magazine!)

We are seeking work that honors the traditions of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College but also pushes against the definitions of these genres—just like the people that compose our college.

Submissions requirements

To submit, e-mail your work as an attachment to auroraeditor@smwc.edu. In your subject line, write "Aurora submission: **genre of work**."

- Written work should be sent as a .doc file and should not include a name (we will read submissions anonymously)
- Photographs and photographs of artwork should be sent as .jpeg files with at least 200 DPI resolution
- Drawings and illustrations should be sent as .pdf files with at least 200 DPI resolution **In the body of your e-mail, write:**
- Your full name/the name you would like to be published under (no pen names, please)
- Your e-mail and telephone number
- Your affiliation with SMWC (online student, campus student, staff, faculty, alumna/i)
- Your year of graduation, if applicable

No fewer than three editors will decide whether or not to accept your work—we promise to honor your work and take it seriously.

Acceptances and rejections will be e-mailed the week of April 5, 2020. Please query auroraeditor@smwc.edu past this date if you have not received a response.