### Awards:

First place winners receive \$250.00. There will be 4 awards in each category, 1, 2, 3, and Honorable Mention.

All 4 winners will be published in a special Contest Edition of the WNBA's National Newsletter. "The Bookwoman."

Winners announced May 1, 2017. All winners to be posted on the Women's National Book Association website.

# **Fiction:**

3,000 word maximum length, no theme required

## **Creative Nonfiction/ Memoir:**

2.500 word maximum

# **Poetry:**

3-5 pages of poetry (double-spaced)



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# Fifth Annual Writing Contest

9/15/2016 through 1/15/2017

A dynamic organization of women and men in all fields of the literary world, The Women's National Book Association is accepting submissions for its Annual Writing Contest.

After nearly 100 years celebrating published authors, extraordinary book women and honoring independent bookstores, the WNBA is celebrating emerging writers.

# **Submission:**

open to WNBA members and non-members

Submission guidelines and information HERE.



**Brenda Knight** began her career at HarperCollins, working with luminaries Marianne Williamson, Huston Smith and Paolo Coelho. Knight served as publisher of Cleis Press and was awarded IndieFab's Publisher of the Year in 2014. Knight is the author of *Wild Women and Books, Be a Good in the World,* and *Women of the Beat Generation*, which won an American Book Award. Managing Director of Mango Media, she also serves as President of the Women's National Book Association - San Francisco Chapter.



**Ellen Urbani** is the author of the novel *Landfall*, a Women's National Book Association Great Group Reads selection set in the wake of Hurricane Katrina. Her work has been profiled in the Oscar-qualified short documentary film *Paint Me a Future*. A Southern expat now residing in Oregon, her pets will always be dawgs and her truest allegiance will always reside with the Crimson Tide.



**Linda Joy Myers** is president and founder of the National Association of Memoir Writers. Her memoir *Don't Call Me Mother—A Daughter's Journey from Abandonment to Forgiveness* was a finalist in the ForeWord Book of the Year Award, a finalist in the IndieExcellence Awards, and won the BAIPA Gold Medal Award. Linda offers workshops internationally, and helps people capture their stories through coaching, editing, and online workshops.