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What We Do

Main Street Rag Publishing Company was founded in 1996 with the publication of a 40-page saddle-stitched quarterly poetry journal called *Main Street Rag Poetry Journal*. In 2000, we expanded to 80 pages, changed to perfect binding, began adding features like short fiction, interviews, book reviews, commentary, artwork, and shortened the name to simply *Main Street Rag*.

In 2002, we purchased printing and binding equipment so that we could produce the magazine ourselves, but—being a quarterly—we needed more work to keep the equipment busy, so we started offering production services to other publishers. We also started our own labels for book publishing. Since we wanted our primary book label to be Main Street Rag, we needed to make another subtle change to the name of our quarterly magazine. It is now *The Main Street Rag Literary Journal* (*The Main Street Rag* for short) and below you can see sample covers of the 2018 issues. On our website, in the Main Street Rag Online store, you can find those featured within for each issue. Subscriptions are also available for order online.

Libraries/Institutions:

We have at least 10 sets of complete runs dating back to 1996 available at mega discounts to fill special collections. We also have replacement copies beyond those ten sets for those interested in individual copies. Set prices are by inquiry; individual copies are available from the Main Street Rag Online Bookstore.

Writers:

Guidelines for literary magazine submissions are on our website. We only consider electronic submissions through Submittable for our magazine and for non-contest book submissions. The latter is seasonal for some genre as mentioned in the guidelines.

We also offer several contests. Those interested in contests or book publication options can find additional information as well as cover samples of recent titles on the flipside of this flyer.

Thank you for your consideration and continued support. We hope you will visit the website and the online bookstore for a snapshot of what we do.

M. Scott Douglass
Publisher/Managing Editor
Main Street Rag Publishing Company

WINTER 2017/2018



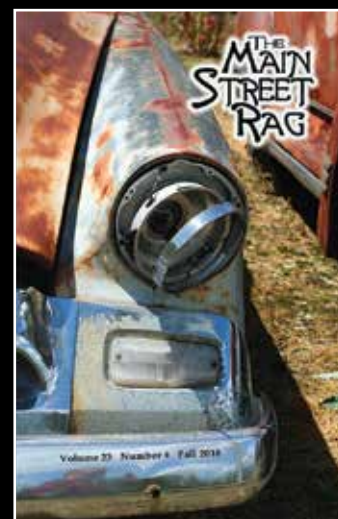
SPRING 2018



SUMMER 2018



FALL 2018



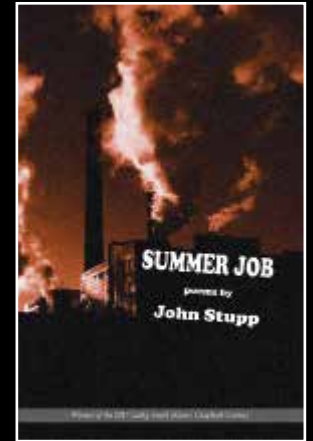
Cathy Smith Bowers Chapbook Contest

Submissions open May 1, 2018 **deadline June 15.**

Reading fee: \$17 (online), \$15 for printed submissions.

Prize: \$1000, 50 copies of book, and a one-year subscription to *The Main Street Rag*. All entries considered for publication.

Length: 28-40 pages of poetry (including section breaks (which are not advised) but not including Contents and Notes pages. DO NOT include acknowledgments or author personal information anywhere in the submission aside from the cover letter, where title and all contact information are required.



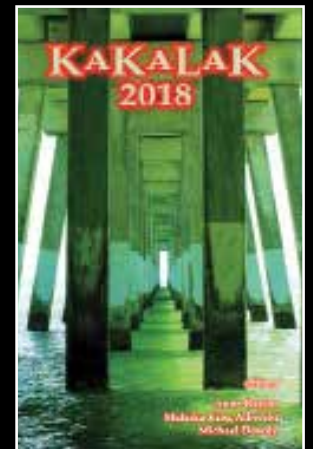
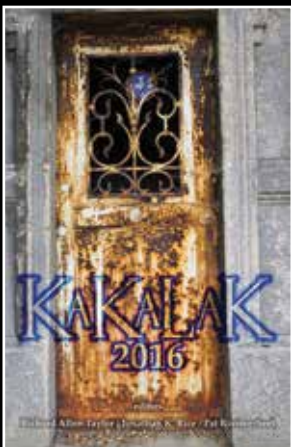
Kakalak (an annual anthology)

A contest for **individual poems and art**. Open to poets and artists anywhere, but what what we are looking for is: *Work that evokes the SPIRIT of the Carolinas, from the Outer Banks and Low Country to the Piedmont and Appalachia.* What does that mean? Creative minds will figure it out.

Submission Period: **March 1 – May 15, 2019**

Entry fee: \$12 for 1-3 poems or 1-3 images.

Prizes: Complete list available online.



Main Street Rag Poetry Book Contest

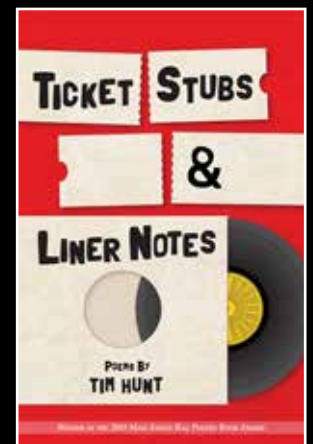
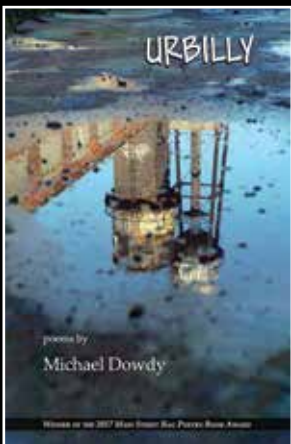
Submissions open December 1, 2018,

deadline February 2, 2019.

Reading fee: \$27 (online), \$25 for printed submissions.

Prize: \$1200, 50 copies of book, and a one-year subscription to *The Main Street Rag*. All entries considered for publication.

Length: 52-88 pages of poetry (including section breaks), but not including Contents and Notes pages. DO NOT include acknowledgments or author personal information anywhere in the submission aside from the cover letter, where title and all contact information are required.



Non-contest book submissions.

We consider poetry books and poetry chapbooks year-round. NO fiction chapbooks considered. Novels, novellas, anthologies are seasonal with specific lengths. When not listed as an option through Submittable, they are not available. Reading fee required for all book submissions except current subscribers to *The Main Street Rag Literary Journal* whose reading fee is waived for one book per year.