

Runaway

An Anthology of short fiction

Call for Stories—real or imagined

Submission deadline: August 1, 2019

Have you ever wanted to run away from it all? To head for some dusty little town, change your name to Wanda and wait tables while your life changes chapters? Have you ever felt the need to leave the wife behind, hop a train or hitch a ride to California? Have you ever come home to her clothes, her keys, her cat gone and nothing left but a hint of her perfume?

We've all had times where we've dreamed it, planned it, lived it. That's why we're looking for stories about running away, wanting to run away, and trying to run away. We want stories that involve escaping with someone and stories that involve escaping from someone. We even want stories about the ones who've been left behind—stories that open up that loss, that loneliness, that need for an explanation.

Tell us about kids and adults of all ages who have left, for whatever reason. Take us on their journeys down the road to Uncle Hal's house, across town to the battered women's shelter, across the country to the mountains or farther. Tell us the stories of staring into empty closets, and watching for familiar returning silhouettes that never come, and leaving message after message while driving dark streets searching.

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*“And I wonder, I wa wa wa wa wonder
Why a why why why why why
She ran away
And I wonder where she will stay
My little runaway”*

—Del Shannon

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