

Call for submissions

of stories real and imagined for a new Madville Anthology



Muddy Backroads:

Stories From Off the Beaten Path


This time, our editors are looking for stories that move away from the norms of daily life to explore the side roads that take us away from the known. What do your characters do when they step away from what's seen as normal or the usual? What happens when they find themselves in unexpected situations or locations? What if nothing about their lives is what most consider typical? When a character takes a "muddy backroad," he, they or she moves away from society and out into a place where anything can happen. We want to see where those backroads and back alleys take us. No mud actually required.

Editors: Luanne Smith, Jodi Angel, and Bonnie Jo Campbell

Judge: Alan Heathcock, author of *Volt: Stories*.

Submission deadline: August 1, 2021

<https://madville.submittable.com/submit>



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Smith
Poetry
Prize*

Judged
by
Jesse
Graves

The winning poet receives a \$1,000 advance, a standard royalty contract, and 20 copies of the published book. Finalists will also be considered for future publication.

There are no restrictions on the type of poetry our judges will consider.

The submission period will run from March 4, 2021 to September 1, 2021.