

Virginia Prize for Fiction

ENTRY FORM



Please submit each manuscript to the competition separately.

I have read and agree to the rules of the competition. ✓

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How did you hear about The Virginia Prize?

Payment for 1 entry of the manuscript of your novel. Please tick ✓

£15 before June 1

£20 before August 1

£25 before December 31

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Has the manuscript previously won any other competitions?

Pls give further details: _____

Has your manuscript or any part of it been published before either online or in print? If so, please give details

Submit your manuscript only with novel title (no author name) to virginiaprize@gmail.com.

On receipt of your submission we will send you a request for payment of the entry fee **if not already paid.** ✓

If you do not pay the entry fee, your manuscript will not be considered for the prize.

Pls join our mailing list to receive notifications and news.

Virginia Prize for Fiction Rules

We are excited to launch the 8th round of the biennial VIRGINIA PRIZE FOR FICTION for women writers.

The competition is open to women of any nationality from any country, aged 18 and over. We are looking for entries of completed, unpublished novels for adults or YA readers, of at least 45,000 words in length.

Final closing date: 31 December 2023

Each entry fee allows you to submit one novel manuscript. You can enter more than one novel, but an entry fee is payable for each novel submitted.



Longlisted writers will be contacted in Spring 2023. A special event to announce the finalists will be held in London.

The Entry Fee:

Early bird £15 by June 1st / Standard entry £20 by August 1st / £25 Late entry 31st December

The Prize:

Finalists will receive editorial guidance and a conditional publishing deal from Aurora Metro Books.

Please ensure you've read the rules and FAQs before entering.

For any further information, call us on 0208 948 1427 or email virginiaprize@gmail.com

ELIGIBILITY

- 1 Entries can be made by women of any nationality from any country who are aged 18 and over.
- 2 Entries should be in English (or English dialect) and should not have been published or accepted for publication elsewhere.
- 3 If more than 60% of a novel has been published elsewhere, the novel is not eligible. Self-published novels are not eligible.
- 4 Please notify us if entries are under consideration in other fiction competitions at the time of submission.
- 5 Entries should not be a translation of another author's work.
- 6 You have to identify as a woman to enter the competition.
- 7 Your entry fee can be paid online or if required, by bank transfer.
- 8 You can withdraw your entry at any time, but the entry fee will not be refunded.

HOW TO ENTER

- You may enter online at www.aurorametro.com/VirginiaPrize or at www.aurorametro.org/VirginiaPrize.

By entering the competition, you agree to join the Aurora Metro mailing list.

- You may enter as many novels as you like to the competition, but each submission incurs a separate fee.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. All entries must be received by 23:59 GMT on December 31st 2023. The organizer accepts no responsibility for any entries that are incomplete, illegible, corrupted or fail to reach the organizer by the relevant closing date for any reason.
2. Do include the TITLE but do not include your name or contact details on the entry as these are registered in the online process.
3. Once submitted, no alterations may be made to your entry.
 - Your entry will not be returned, so please keep a copy.
 - Results are published on the Aurora Metro Books website and on the Aurora Metro Charity website.

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- We will contact only the longlisted authors who will be announced in Spring 2024.
- Finalists will be invited to a special event in Spring 2024.
- Novels accepted for publication may be published in the following year or later, depending on the publisher's schedule.
- The copyright of any entry remains with the author.
- The publisher Aurora Metro Books has the right to publish the entries by authors selected as finalists subject to negotiation of the contract.
- An advance and royalties will be paid to published authors.
- Aurora Metro Books also has the unrestricted right to include author name and title of entry for publicity and marketing purposes related to the competition.
- In the event of unforeseen circumstances, the organizer reserves the right in exceptional circumstances to amend or foreclose the competition without notice.

FAQS

What file format can I send?

Permitted file types are: .doc, docx, pdf

For large files over 20Mb, send via a file transfer service such as We Transfer to virginiaprize@gmail.com

Do I have to send my novel extract(s) as single attachments?

Yes, please.

Where do I need to send my entry form?

Please email us your entry forms at virginiaprize@gmail.com

What do I do if I'm unsure that my entry went through?

If you think something has gone wrong with the upload or your email hasn't reached us, please just email us at vp@aurorametro.com and we'll check for you.

I want to enter more than one novel, what do I do?

You can enter each novel separately. Once your order has completed, you can submit another entry. You will receive an order confirmation for each entry.

Can I submit by post?

In special circumstances such as technology failure, we will accept a submission by post. Email us at virginiaprize@gmail.com to get permission and our postal address.