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## 2010 Submission Guidelines

*Before you submit, please read the following statement:*

Carolina Wren Press is a very small, independent publisher with an interest in voices from beyond the mainstream. We publish prose and poetry by underrepresented writers such as women, people of color, authors with disabilities, LGBT authors, and experimental writers at the rate of 3 books per year. Very occasionally (e.g., once every few years), we publish a children's book that we feel can improve children's lives by helping them deal with disease, difference, gender issues, bullying, etc. We also publish work by North Carolina authors, and this year will inaugurate the Carolina Laureate Series – poetry or fiction chosen for publication by past and present NC Poets Laureate and other esteemed authors.

We do not publish plays, translations, or genre fiction such as detective novels, crime novels, fantasy or science fiction. We do not publish religious tracts, self-help books or academic theses. We do not publish books that have already been self-published or published in their entirety. We do not, at this time, have need of illustrators or employees or interns (though we do love volunteers!).

*As of this writing, we are no longer accepting general submissions of poetry and fiction. We welcome submissions to our two contests, which run in alternate years:*

- **The Doris Bakwin Award for Writing by a Woman** – prose fiction (a collection of short stories or a novel) or memoir. Submissions are accepted in odd-numbered autumns, with a final deadline of December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011, 2013, 2015, etc. There is a \$20 reading fee for this contest. Full guidelines should be followed – check this website in late summer to see the current guidelines.
- **The Carolina Wren Press Poetry Series** – full-length poetry manuscripts by authors who have not had more than one full-length book published. Submissions are accepted in even-numbered autumns, with a final deadline of December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010, 2012, 2014, etc. There is a \$20 reading fee for this contest. Full guidelines should be followed – check this website in late summer to see the current guidelines.