

# AVIARY WRITING & EDITING

## SERVICES & RATES FOR CREATIVE WRITING

Aviary Writing & Editing has helped guide many creative writers into print. Indeed, we have and continue to help assess, edit, and organize books for writers, and many of these books have gone on to be published at respected presses. Some of our clients have gone on to win major literary awards.

Initial assessments of creative work and our response about what the work might need are free.

Typically, clients enjoy the same rates for **creative prose** as they do for academic or business writing, with a few exceptions. For any prose, i.e. fiction (short stories, novels, novellas, novelettes, flash fiction, etc.) or creative nonfiction (personal essays, memoirs, etc.), the rates remain **\$35 per hour**. **Proofreading** and **editing** time investment estimates remain the same, as well, but **revision** of fiction and creative nonfiction will require lots of communication, collaboration, and consultation with the writer. As such, *revision of creative prose usually runs at a rate of 2-4 pages per hour and communication with author is also factored into the rate. That is, we will charge \$35 per hour for the time spent communicating with the author about the revision, as well as the revision itself.*

### Poetry Services

Whether we help you with a single poem or an entire manuscript of poetry, we will assess and aid the entire work. That is, we will assess each word, line, stanza, image, motif, etc., and help you get the most out of your creation. If you request that we pay attention to certain aspects or have specific questions about your poem(s), we will of course be glad to help. We guarantee our help to be constructive and our criticism encouraging.

### Poetry Editing and Guidance Rates

(single works, submission batches, chapbooks, and full-length books):

- If you would like creative guidance, editing, and comments to help improve your **shorter poems (i.e., poems of 1-2 pages)**, the rate is **\$15 per poem**. This rate also applies to single works and submission batches of several poems (i.e. 3-6 poems). **The rate of \$15 per poem applies to short poems in batches of up to 17 pages.**
- **Longer single works (3-10 pages)** are assessed on a **\$10-per-page rate**.
- **Poetry chapbook (20-30 pages of poetry)** editing, with comments, consultation, and tracked changes, includes a **one-time fee of \$220.00**, half of which is due before the project is initiated.
- **Full-length books of poems (48-96 pages of poetry)** involve a **one-time fee of \$375.00**, half of which is due before the project is initiated.

Consultations include editing, comments, and tracked changes. Easily answered questions from the author and any communication between AWE and the author about **poetry after the editing is complete** are included in these rates and do not incur further fees, although certain requests might require further consultations, and we will advise you if this is the case. If you need poetry-centered help not described in the above services, please e-mail us, as we will likely be able to help you!

### **Manuscript evaluation & manuscript organization rates:**

If you have a **book of creative writing** and would like **us to evaluate the manuscript as a whole or to help with your manuscript's organization**, rates are **\$40 per hour** for the following:

- Short story collections
- Novels
- Novellas and novelettes
- Memoirs
- Book-length creative nonfiction
- Any work of poetry (chapbook or book)

**Note: Manuscript evaluations and organization services often entail some editing.**

### **Submission and/or Publication Guidance**

If you have a short story or a single submission batch of poems, submission and publication guidance incur a one-time fee of \$40 per submission. **Please bear in mind that if you request submission or publication guidance and we feel your work needs editing before you enter this stage of the writing process, we will inform you.**

If you need help finding appropriate markets for full-length works of poetry or prose, the rate, both for written feedback and communication, involves a fee of **\$40 per hour**. This guidance **does not** guarantee that the market will accept your work.

Communication with the author during any consultation is not factored into the rate, so please understand that exchanges involving long e-mails or phone conversations will be **\$40 per hour**.

### **Book Layout Services**

Do you have a completed book that you need converted to actual book assembly software? We can help you with this, too! Using Adobe InDesign, we can take your manuscript and convert it into an InDesign and .pdf file for you. This service is \$40 per hour and time spent on layout is in proportion to your book's genre and length. Please contact us for further information.