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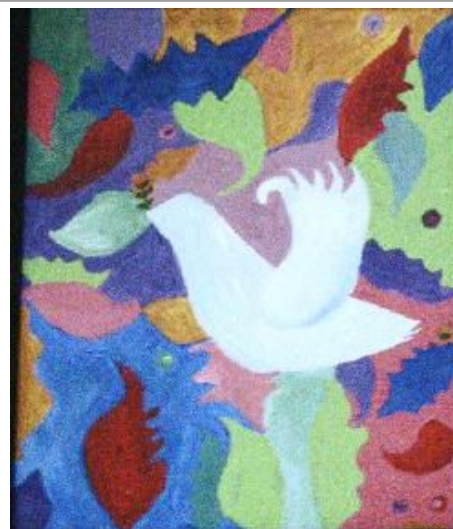
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Welcome to *[the write place at the write time](#)*. Imagine that you are seated comfortably in a chic café with the décor of your choice. In the time it takes you to consume the generous warm mug of coffee or tea cradled between your hands, you can step into another world, abandon your senses and delve into another space and time. You do this by allowing a mysterious stranger to pull up a chair across from you and tell you a story. Close your eyes, listen to the words in your mind and be swept away...



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[Home for the Holidays](#)

This holiday season for our family is a bittersweet one. A beloved matriarch, a mother and a grandmother passed away this Decemeber after a long, incredible life filled with love. This winter issue is dedicated in loving memory of L. with love from your daughter, Denise and granddaughter, Nicole.

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*Your home was a refuge of light,
cool breezes in summer,*

*warm, home-made soup in winter
and comforting words when grayness darkened our skies.*

*We'll always remember the song in your laughter,
sojourns by the sea
and how you'd look, smiling at us from the window above to wave goodbye.*

From Assistant Editor Denise Bouchard (daughter) and Editor-in-Chief Nicole M. Bouchard (granddaughter) [Nicole's thoughts are expressed on the Poetry page]

In this issue we "talk life" with screenwriter and author Tracey Jackson. A successful, comedic screenwriter for seventeen years, Jackson has a profound ability to take the issues to the people in a way that they can relate to. Her films include *The Other End of the Line*, *Confessions of a Shopaholic*, *The Guru* and the mother-daughter documentary, *Luck Ducks*. Her new book, *Between a Rock and a Hot Place* speaks to the women that balance the roles of wife, mother and career woman while still aiming to get the most out of what this life has to offer. Her voice lends itself to the masses and adapts to its audiences to establish meaningful connections wrought with her signature wit and humor.

Making Headlines:

~ ***Inscribing Industry*** is our blog devoted to the business aspects of writing, featuring exercises, articles and interviews as well as being the new home for our Professional Services. Click on the newly installed *Inscribing Industry* tab to go directly there or visit <http://inscribingindustry.blogspot.com> and become a follower! *Check out our special interview with publicity maven and author M. J. Rose who is the international best-selling author of 11 novels, including *Lip Service*- where she pioneered electronic self-publishing and later landed a traditional publisher, *The Halo Effect*, and *The Reincarnationist* series. She is a founding member of International Thriller Writers and serves on the board as well as being the founder of the first marketing company for authors: *AuthorBuzz.com*. Her two popular blogs are *Buzz, Balls & Hype* and *Backstory*.

Our ***Book Reviews*** page features the debut novel from Drew Magary that packs a powerful, lasting punch in the mind of the reader. *The Postmortal* is an unforgettable read, start to finish, that exposes the human and societal weaknesses as well as the strengths that form this world, eerily mirrored in his

fictional portrayal where science has defeated age and faith. *The Kitchen Counter Cooking School* is the follow-up book to Kathleen Flinn's *The Sharper Your Knife, the Less You Cry*. Flinn was interviewed here upon her debut where she'd fulfilled her dream of Le Cordon Bleu. Read about her continued passion for the culinary arts- only now, it's your turn at the chopping board- Flinn enters your kitchen for a reckoning!

We have **Writers' Craft Box** which is a section dedicated to giving writers hints, tools, essays and advice. Think of it as an arts and crafts box full of colors and inspiration... or an old toy chest discovered in the attic on a rainy day... This time we delve into the question at the back of everyone's mind- do you believe that you deserve your dream? Spiritual and practical, this essay explores the inner-workings of our belief systems as we approach the creative life we want.

On our **Indie bookstore page** along with Tattered Cover is Oblong Books, featured in USA Today. Read about these unique stores and through their pictures, a visit to their shelves is only a click away.

We have an **ARCHIVES** page where readers and writers can trace our artistic journey from the beginning and re-read the wisdom of writers such as best-selling novelists Janet Fitch, Alice Hoffman, Frances Mayes, Arthur Golden, Jodi Picoult and more!

The second-place winner of the summer **Writers' Contest!** has designed a fantastic, brand-new challenge for you and it's not for the faint of heart. Shake the accumulated snow off of your imaginations for this dynamic contest!

We have a Feedback form which we **encourage** you to use. From our Three Year Anniversary celebration, we have a Scrapbook page of what you've had to say, word portraits of our artists, and a list of countries where we are being read. See also our newly added and rather awesome "Search" feature- type in keywords to search the entire site, including all of the archives.

Our **Announcements** page is back! (Please send in all new announcements for the spring issue by March 1st). As always, we love to celebrate and support our contributing artists and writers as they accomplish great things on their creative paths and we also like to give news of our publication to the readership. We encourage all contributing writers and artists to tell us of their news so that we can assemble this page that keeps updates on such news items.

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Our next issue will be our **Spring Issue** due out March 22nd. The submissions deadline for the spring issue is March 1st. *Please check the submissions guidelines page **before** submitting* and if you have any questions, please write to: questions@thewriteplaceatthewritetime.org

“The destiny of the world is determined less by the battles that are lost and won than by the stories it loves and believes in”— Harold Goddard, *The Meaning of Shakespeare*

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