

Call for Writers: Join "The Home Project"

Are you passionate about the power of storytelling to ignite social change? The Heartisan Foundation invites Oregon-based writers, educators, and narrative scholars to contribute to *The Home Project*—a multidisciplinary, community-based arts initiative rooted in the transformative power of personal narrative and visual art.

This statewide project explores themes of home, equity, and belonging by pairing professional portraits of Oregonians from diverse backgrounds with interpretive artwork and narrative storytelling. Writers will work alongside the documentary photographer and participants—many from underrepresented and marginalized communities including Latinx, Indigenous, unhoused, and rural populations—to co-create powerful narrative-based portraits that will be featured in public exhibitions, online galleries, and community events.

As a collaborator in this project, you'll be embedded in a field-based experience that honors various lived experiences centered around the concept of *home*. Your storytelling will help amplify the voices of communities historically left out of mainstream conversations and public policy. This is more than a writing opportunity—it's an invitation to engage deeply with place-based justice, to bear witness, and to shape the literary heart of a growing statewide movement.

Mentorship provided for emerging writers. Stipends available for seasoned writers DOE.

To express interest, please contact: Abram R. Katz, Director, heartisan.foundation@gmail.com

Example of a similar California-based project from 2024: www.abramkatz.com/housing-project

More info on the Heartisan Foundation: www.heartisan.foundation

Previous projects with the Oregon Writing Project and the Southern Oregon University School of Education:

www.heartisan.foundation/k-12-partnerships

www.heartisan.foundation/training