Upcoming deadlines: Publishing in solidarity with Palestine

This document is for Palestinian writers and those who want to publish in solidarity with them. It focuses on *active/upcoming* deadlines, plus sources and tips for finding more publishers in solidarity.

The information comes from crowdsourcing, research on social media, reading newsletters/ Substacks, etc. <u>Please say hello</u> if you spot an error or know of an opportunity that should be included.

Chiara Di Lello and Emily Stoddard are building this document, but **it's a reflection of many collective contributions.** We're just gathering active opportunities for easier sharing, especially for Palestinian writers who may not have time and energy now to track various social media threads. We try to credit sources, including a list of newsletters and threads below. If we missed crediting a source or you have other ideas for sources, please reach out.

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Sources: Newsletters, websites, threads

This document is not meant to speak over the good work so many folks are doing. The intention is to gather info from multiple sources and keep amplifying opportunities. The following resources have contributed to this document and/or regularly share opportunities:

- <u>Publishers for Palestine</u> includes over 400 publishers. <u>Here's a list of publishers</u> that have signed on.
- Writers Against the War on Gaza has a list of institutions (publishers, arts orgs, and more) that have signed on to PACBI.
- Writers4Palestine resource doc (thank you to @ yiiiiwei)
- A thread on poetry magazines and presses started by Chiara Di Lello
- A thread of magazines and presses open in their support of Palestine started by manywor(I)ds – they have also turned the thread into a Twitter list, for easier following
- A thread of literary organizations and magazines started by aureleo sans
- Crip News (Substack)
- Poetry Bulletin (Substack)

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Tips for researching

If you want to understand a publisher's commitment to solidarity before sharing your work with them, here are a few shortcuts:

- You can <u>search Twitter</u> for the publisher's name or their handle, combined with one of the following words: "Gaza," "Palestine," "Palestinian," or "PACBI." Go to the "Latest" tab at the top of the search results to find all the recent posts (if any) related to your search.
- You can <u>search Substack</u> broadly using the search bar in the upper right hand corner of the screen. You can now also search within a specific Substack publication – go to that Substack's page and then click the search icon in the upper right hand corner.
- If you use Gmail, there's a search bar at the top of your inbox. You can search for messages from a specific sender/email address. Start your search query with "from:" and then type the organization or publisher's name. Then add a keyword like "Palestine."
- Not all publishers are active on all platforms, so they may have information or statements
 of support on their website instead. And of course if a publisher appears to be silent, that
 silence is its own statement.

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Grants, Residencies, Awards, etc.

- November 17 <u>Palestinian Journalist Fellowship</u> (open to Palestinian journalists and/or storytellers, four fellowships available, collaboration between Logic(s) and Arab Reform Initiative)
- December 2 <u>Foglifter Press is seeking a community manager</u>. This position comes with an honorarium.
- December 6 The Watermelon Grant for Palestinian Creators
- December 29 <u>Titanik invites emerging and established Palestinian artists to submit</u> their one-month solo exhibition proposal accompanied by a three-month residency (in Turku and Helsinki) to take place in spring 2025.
- December 31 <u>Emergency Residency Programme for Artists and Cultural Practitioners</u>
 <u>Living in Palestine</u> a three-month residency with accommodations, stipend, round-trip
 travel, and more support
- December 31 <u>Sundress Publications Microgrant for Palestinian Writers</u>
- Jan 4 Abode Press is <u>seeking 2025 workshop proposals</u>
- Mar 1 Arab American Book Awards
- Save the date + call for proposals coming soon: <u>DIWAN, A Forum for the Arts</u>, happening in September 2025

Journals

With upcoming deadlines, as far as we know. Archived opportunities are at the end of this doc, if you'd like to find publications in solidarity that might open to submissions again in the future.

- September 15 fifth wheel press digital themed anthology <u>"light em up" call</u> (for queer/trans/gender variant writers)
- September 30 / ongoing <u>Split Lip Magazine</u> free submissions (fee subs continue in October, alternating almost year round)
- December 15 The Boiler Journal (opens Nov. 15)
- December 15 Honey Literary (opens Sept. 15)
- Jan 6 Mizna is <u>reading submissions for an unthemed summer issue</u>. No submission fees and honorarium of \$200, one-year subscription, and five contributor copies. Writers "do not need to be SWANA or Arab identified, but work submitted should be considerate of Mizna's ethos and the social realities of our audiences, as well as aim to contribute to ongoing conversations in and beyond our communities."
- Ongoing The Offing (has also offered to rehome pieces pulled in solidarity)
- Ongoing Annulet
- Ongoing Diode Poetry Journal
- Ongoing <u>New Orleans Review</u>, in collaboration with Dalliya Rabei at Al Quds University

 Songs of the Sunbirds column, open to submissions in multiple genres/formats from
 Palestinian writers and artists. All contributions are paid, and submissions are free. *NOR* is also open to submissions (fee-free for certain groups) in a number of other genres.
- Ongoing Poetry Northwest, essays and reviews
- Ongoing Protean
- Ongoing Querencia Press <u>quarterly anthologies</u> (also a call for <u>blog posts</u> by Palestinian and Jewish writers)
- Ongoing Room

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Book publishers: Poetry

Emily is researching this—please <u>email her</u> if you spot errors or additions. I'm going through <u>the spreadsheet of 175+ poetry book publishers</u>, and the list below will only show *upcoming* deadlines at presses in solidarity with Palestine. As of October, I've researched the presses with deadlines between April 30 and November 30, and these are upcoming reading periods with presses that are working in solidarity with writers facing genocide:

Nov 15 — <u>Nightboat Books Poetry Prize</u>

 Nov 30 — Abode Press is open for <u>poetry and hybrid chapbook submissions</u>. Fee waivers are available for gueer and/or trans writers of color.

And one caution: Milkweed Editions, in collaboration with Copper Nickel, has a deadline this October for the Jake Adam York Prize. Please read <u>Su Hwang's open letter about terminating a publishing contract with Milkweed</u>. Su is <u>also supporting a BIPOC editor</u> who is fighting an NDA to be able to share the discrimination she experienced while working at Milkweed.

FYI: The big spreadsheet I maintain is focused on reading periods for full-length poetry books. I'll try to find more chapbook opportunities for this document as I can!

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Book Publishers: Prose

This is actively being researched, and it would be great to have a collaborator or two to build out this section. Let Emily know if you're open to pitching in.

Nov 30 - <u>Abode Press</u> (chapbook)

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Archived opportunities at journals

These deadlines have passed, but we're keeping them here just for reference.

- April 30 atmospheric quarterly
- April 30 Massachusetts Review regular submissions (*Opens again October 1)
- May 1 The Journal, for poetry (statement here) (*Opens again September 1)
- May 1 <u>Sundog Lit</u> (*Opens again October 1)
- May 31 <u>Sixty Inches from Center</u> (poetry and nonfiction from Midwest US writers)
- June 1 The Journal, for themed issue "Body of Work" (statement here)
- June 1 the tiny
- June 6 Mizna, The Futurities Issue
- June 15 <u>The Massachusetts Review</u>, special call for Palestinian authors for "The View from Gaza" (h/t <u>Corine Tachtiris</u>) (General subs open October 1)
- June 15 <u>Phoebe Journal</u>, special summer issue for Palestinian writers (FYI this journal hasn't answered whether they're committed to PACBI) (Open Aug 15-Oct 15, but still no word re:PACBI, proceed w/caution)
- July 31 Exposed Bone Mag (opens May 15)