

# SCBWI Western Washington

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## SCBWI WWA Mentorship Program 2019-2020

Do you have a completed manuscript that needs help with revision? If yes, then do not miss out on our new mentorship program. For a six-month period, writers will work one-on-one with a published author to analyze and revise their manuscript.

**Eligibility:** This program is open to SCBWI members.

**Tuition Cost:** \$700.00 covers six months of one-on-one work with a published author.

**Deadline: July 30, 2019**

### Application materials:

- A. A cover letter with the following information (not exceeding 250 words): Your experience with critique groups, paid critiques, how long you've been working on this project, and any other relevant information that concerns your project.

B. **Category Expectations:**

**Middle grade/Young Adult:** A one-page pitch or synopsis **and** 20 standard double-spaced manuscript pages of one completed, polished work of up to 50,000 words. For longer manuscripts, applicants can provide a synopsis of remaining chapters after the 50,000-word limit.

**Nonfiction:** A bibliography **plus** either one full standard double-spaced manuscript of up to 1500 words you intend to work on or, if completed manuscript will be more than 1500 words, the first two chapters plus an overview and outline.

**Picture Book Text/ Picture Book Text and Illustration:** Up to two full standard double-spaced manuscripts of up to 1000 words or dummies.

**Illustration Portfolio:** Up to two illustration portfolios **plus** a one-page letter about your story and your vision for it.

Your name must **NOT** appear on any page of the manuscript, synopsis, or portfolio. Your name and contact information should only be located in your email.

Please mention which category you are applying to. Send your application materials as a Word or RTF document (or PDFs for dummies/illustrations). Applications should be sent to [wwa@scbwi.org](mailto:wwa@scbwi.org) with Mentorship Application in the subject line. The application deadline is **July 30, 2019**.

**Inclusivity Scholarship Information:** The **SCBWI WWA Mentorship Program Inclusivity Scholarship** is available to diverse candidates who are interested in pursuing the program with a published, qualified mentor. Please review our scholarship guidelines below and send us the required materials along with your application.

### Here is the tentative timeline:

May 2019 – July 30, 2019 – Application period  
August 2019 – September 2019 – Applications review and selection  
October 2019– Mentees announced and mentorship begins.  
May 2020 – Mentorship Reception

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**Categories and mentors:**

<b>SI No.</b>	<b>Mentor Name</b>	<b>Category</b>
1	Lois Brandt	Picture Book Text
2	Peggy King Anderson	Picture Book Text
3	Rae McDonald	Picture Book Text
4	Rebecca Van Slyke	Picture Book Text
5	Brianna Caplan Sayres	Picture Book Text
6	Terri Cohlene	Picture Book Text
7	Kevan Atteberry	Illustration Portfolio
8	Amy Hevron	Illustration Portfolio
9	Jing Jing Tsong	Illustration Portfolio
10	Wendy Wahman	Illustration Portfolio
11	Jo Gershman	Illustration Portfolio
12	Suzanne Kaufman	Illustration Portfolio
13	Curtis Manley	Nonfiction
14	Mary Boone	Nonfiction
15	Ailynn Collins	Middle Grade
16	Sundee Frazier	Middle Grade
17	Suzanne Selfors	Middle Grade
18	Kim Baker	Middle Grade
19	Kirby Larson	Middle Grade
20	Kristin Halbrook	Middle Grade
21	Mark Maciejewski	Middle Grade
22	Dan Gemeinhart	Middle Grade
23	Kevin Emerson	Young Adult
24	Kelly Jones	Young Adult
25	J Anderson Coates	Young Adult
26	Michele Bacon	Young Adult
27	Jeanne Ryan	Young Adult

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One of the missions of our program is to make the mentorship opportunity as accessible as possible. We believe that encouraging deserving writers of all backgrounds can be powerful and life-changing. Our chapter recognizes all diverse experiences, including (but not limited to) LGBTQIAP+, people of color, gender diversity, people with disabilities, and ethnic, cultural, and religious minorities.

It is for these reasons that we are pleased to offer two scholarship opportunities this year.

Two successful applicants will receive a full scholarship for the mentorship program, valued at \$700.00.

To be considered, please indicate on your application that you're applying for a diversity scholarship. Please also submit an additional one-page artist statement with your application describing

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- a) Within what areas of diversity do you identify?
- b) How does your work identify as diverse?
- c) Where do you see yourself after completing the mentorship program?
- d) Tell us about some of the ways your love of diverse kids' books is part of your everyday life.

The scholarships, if awarded, will be based on a combination of the work and the artist statement. If the scholarship recipients are selected, the winners will be announced in September 2018, and they will receive a full scholarship for the mentorship program, valued at \$700.00

**Eligibility Criteria: *Eligibility is subject to review by the SCBWI WWA Mentorship Program Committee.***

1. Applicant must identify as coming from a diverse background as one or more of the following:
  - a) LGBTQIAP+
  - b) person of color
  - c) person with a disability
  - d) Ethnic, cultural, or religious minority in the United States.
2. Applicant must be a member of SCBWI to apply.