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Launched in 2020, BookBar Press is a regional small press and sister company to Denver indie children's bookstore, The Bookies, and nonprofit organization, BookGive. We are an independent, woman-owned book publisher on a mission to cultivate community connection, encourage discourse and expand perspectives by publishing adult, YA and middle grade books that center social issues and champion voices from the Rocky Mountain and Southwest states, including Colorado, Arizona, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas, Utah and Wyoming.

We are currently seeking manuscripts in the below categories:

Regional Middle Grade Fiction

We are seeking middle grade fiction by Rocky Mountain and Southwest voices especially those set in these regions. Manuscripts should be between 25,000 and 50,000 words. We are especially interested in manuscripts that center social issues as well those with BIPOC, LGBTQ or neurodivergent characters and authors.

Regional Adult Nonfiction

We are seeking nonfiction works that have regional relevance, especially those with socially conscious themes. Examples of nonfiction works we are considering include but are not limited to: social science themes with wide reader appeal and narrative nonfiction with strong regional connection and appeal. We are especially interested in BIPOC, LGBTQ or neurodivergent voices. We are not accepting poetry or titles on Colorado recreation, cookbooks or sports.

We are not reviewing submissions in any other genre at this time.

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Please email your submission to submissions@bookbarpress.com. Submission must include a brief synopsis; an outline or table of contents (for nonfiction only); two or three sample chapters (for nonfiction also include any introduction or preface); market analysis (i.e., comparable books and how your title differs); author bio and credentials and any author platform components (e.g., personal website, number of newsletter subscribers, social media platforms with number of followers, etc.). Submissions that do not include all requested information will not be reviewed. Unfortunately, we are unable to respond to every submission. If we are interested, we will contact you to request more information. Visit www.bookbarpress.com for more details.