

Call for Submissions

The Cocoa Collective E-Zine: The-Cocoa-Collective.Squarespace.Com

Anti-Black Womanhood is a sickness that infiltrates our ideology. As a way to treat that sickness, we need a sacred space where we can share knowledge and experiences. This space is for those who are unaware of the depths of Black Womanhood and for voices that have been silent for too long. On behalf of the Cocoa Collective, we welcome you to such a space! We have an open call for submissions in the form of fiction, art works, videos, blogs, and essays that embark on theme of Black Womanhood. If you would like to submit to any of these categories, please follow *all* the guidelines below.

Fiction:

Less than 3,000 words, PDF format, must include author(s) or pseudonym(s), title, date, word count, works cited (if necessary), a short description of the piece, a photograph of the writer or a photograph the writer chooses to go alongside the piece and email address.

Art Works:

Medium to large size, no more than 1500 pixels, .jpg, .gif, or .png format, less than 500 KB, must include name(s) or pseudonym(s), title, date, size, medium, location, a short description of the piece, a photograph of the artist or a photograph the artist chooses to go alongside the piece and email address.

Videos:

No time limit. Must upload to YouTube (must follow YouTube guidelines), send the url link, must include name(s) or pseudonym(s), title, date, length, a short description of the piece, a photograph of the videographer or a photograph the videographer chooses to go alongside the piece and email address.

Blogs:

Less than 700 words, PDF format, must include name(s) or pseudonym(s), title, date, word count, works cited (if necessary), a short description of the piece, a photograph of the writer or a photograph the writer chooses to go alongside the piece and email address.

Essays:

No more than 3,000 words, PDF format, must include name(s) or pseudonym(s), title, date, word count, works cited, MLA format,), a short description of the piece, a photograph of the writer or a photograph the writer chooses to go alongside the piece and email address.

All submission must explore the intricacies of Black Womanhood existence, uplifts and provides commentary on the experience of such (no derogatory, racist, sexist texts). All submission must include formal or informal permission agreements to use materials. Email submissions to cocoa.collective.zine@gmail.com. May submit to multiple categories at a time. We will review your submission and responds with an acceptance note and date of posting. **Posting is continuous, no deadline. The sooner you submit, the sooner we'll post.** We have weekly posting for each category. If your submission does not fit all the guidelines, we will return your submission, offer suggestions, and you may submit again at a later date.