

Brink Literacy Project presents
OPEN CALL
for Short Graphic Memoirs
from Incarcerated Women Writers

Brink Literacy Project is seeking comic stories (7-12 pages) from incarcerated women in the Colorado prison system for our upcoming title, *FRAMES: STORIES FROM PRISON* memoir collection. These stories should be pulled from each writer's life experiences, contain full story arches, and display an excellent grasp of literary and artistic merit.

To enter this contest, please fill out the entry form and include the following elements:

- Suggested Title (please send three possible titles)
- Comic Overview
 - Please include a brief description of the Overview of the story (what it's about), the Establishment, Climax, Turning point, and Resolution. Please also briefly include how the Main Character changed throughout the story.
- Panel Pages (sheet with 9 panels on it)
 - Please include a 1-page panel sheet, telling what happens on each page of the comic. Each miniature page should include the setting and what happens on the page.
- Comic Script
 - Please include a detailed description of what happens on each page of the comic. Each description should be labeled with the page number and include *in detail* what happens on the page.
 - Please also include the setting, characters, ALL DIALOGUE and VOICE OVERS (Caps), and any significant moments that occur on that page.
- Setting Description
 - Please include a description of all relevant settings in your story. At the top of each setting page, please write the name of the setting and what comic pages the setting appears on
- Character Descriptions
 - Please include an in-depth character description for the 1-4 main characters in your story. This should include their physical appearance as well as aspects of their personality (dominant, friendly, frightening, etc.)
- Artistic Representation
 - If there are any visual elements that are very important to the representation of the story, please include them. This includes color scheme, metaphorical representations, and ideas about panels and layout.
- Brief Biography
 - Please include a brief write-up about who you are, including the following:
 - Your name
 - Your age
 - The length of your current prison sentence
 - The conviction for which you are serving prison time
- Any additional information
 - If you would like to include additional information for us to consider in the creation of this story (including photos, other descriptions, etc.), please feel free to send them as well.

Entry Form for Brink Literacy Project Frames Program

By filling out the following form and sending the requested materials to Brink Literacy Project, I give Brink Literacy Project the permission to publish the story resulting from the materials contained here. I understand that Brink Literacy Project will edit my work, convert it into a comic script, and commission an artist to turn my story into a graphic short story.

If chosen for publication, I also understand that anything sent into Brink Literacy Project can be displayed in the resulting book as "progress shots" of the creation of my story.

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Prison in which you are incarcerated: _____

Earliest Projected Release Date: _____

PAYMENT INFORMATION

If accepted for publication, I will be awarded with two contributor copies of the resulting publication and a cash award. This cash award will be dependent on book sales, but will be no lower than \$25 per printed page.

Please select how you would like to receive your award if selected:

- I would like the award sent to a friend or family member, OR
- I would like the award sent transferred directly to me through my JPay account

For checks to friends or family members, please fill out the following information:

Name of Recipient (first and last): _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email Address or Phone Number: _____

For JPay, please fill out the following information. Also note that if your payment exceeds \$300, the payment will be split into two deposits

Inmate ID Number: _____

Prison State: _____

Prison Name: _____

To submit your work for consideration, please send this filled-out form and the required materials listed on page 1 to the following address **by June 9th**:

Brink Literacy Project
Attn: Frames Program
P.O. Box 460506
Denver, CO 80246