**CURATOR & HONORARIUM FEE POLICIES FOR**

**PROGRAMS/EVENTS/FESTIVALS/CONFERENCES/BOOK SALES**

**Current Curator Fees:**

**Poetry & Prose Month** - $500/each

**Young Writers Program** - $500/month per school year

**Storytelling Festival** - $2000 – includes all aspects: Story SLAM, children’s storytelling in the schools, Story swap, storytelling workshop, and grand finale event – recruitment of tellers, schedule, website text, all promotional & marketing materials, including press releases, ads, radio spots, interviews, videography, coordination of teller’s travel

**Taos Writers Conference & Writers Showcase –** ED salary

**Honorariums for Writers & Poets & Storytellers:**

**Writer’s Showcase** - $2000 +/- depending upon negotiation with agent, plus travel, lodging, ground transportation & some meals

**Prose/Poetry Month** - writers who travel to SOMOS from more than 50 miles away receive a travel expense of $50 or more (depending upon how far they travel – i.e. Denver, ABQ)

Writers who are invited to read for Prose or Poetry Month receive free advertising/marketing, promotion of book sales (no % taken by SOMOS), and someone who coordinates the reading (collects admission fee, if any, staffs the book sale table, sets up chairs, mic, room, etc.). The exception to this policy will be made on an individual basis – based upon the writer/poet’s reputation, literary status, and publications. Decisions to award honorariums (range will be variable beginning at $50 )for Prose & Poetry Month readings will be made by the Executive Director, in consultation with the Board of Directors.

Writers who request to give a reading will follow the SOMOS Guidelines for Events/readings and do not receive any compensation; they will either be a current member of SOMOS(one complimentary use of venue per year) or pay a rental fee for use of the venue (online or live).

**Taos Poet Laureate -** Will receive $2000/year to serve as Taos Poet Laureate, plus project expenses (based upon approval of the outlined budget and submitted invoices).

**Storytelling Festival -** Headliner Storyteller (who will deliver a 40-45 minute performance at the grand finale, a 2-3 hour storytelling workshop and serve as one of the judges of the SLAM):$2000 +/- depending upon negotiation with agent plus travel, lodging, ground transportation & some meals (they will be considered one of the Writers Showcase presenters)  
Secondary tellers (who will tell stories for 20-25 minutes on stage and serve as one of the judges of the SLAM): $300-400, depending upon length of performance and reputation

**Taos Writers Conference -** Instructors - $100/hour for workshops, i.e. three-hour workshop: $300; five-hour workshop - $500

Keynote speaker - $2000 +/- depending upon negotiation with agent, plus travel, lodging, ground transportation and some meals (they will be considered one of the Writers Showcase presenters)

**Workshop Instructors -** Receive 75% of SOMOS member price tuition. The remaining 25% remains with SOMOS for promotion/marketing, registration, and coordination

**Miscellaneous ticketed events** – those who request to present at SOMOS (ex: musical concerts, plays, lectures)

A percentage split will be negotiated for other ticketed events depending upon whether the organizer will be doing their own marketing/promotion, registration, organization of the venue, hosting, etc. or whether they will be seeking assistance from SOMOS staff & resources

**Sale of new books by Taos County authors -** A consignment rate of 75%(to author) and 25%(to SOMOS); authors who wish to consign their new books must be a current member of SOMOS; checks for book sales to authors will be made twice year by 12/30 and 6/30; consignors may consign up to 3 titles with no more than 3 copies of each book

**Open Mic -** On the second Monday of the month, free, all are welcome to share a short (depending upon the number of people who sign up for the open mic)selection of their or someone else’s writing, song, monologue, poem, etc. The program is hosted by a community member.

**Bookshop -** Thousands of used books are sold; most for between .50 - $3.00 each both paperback as well as hardback; except for collector’s items which are priced higher by our volunteer bookshop manager or new books by local authors (new books are charged current tax rate).

All fees/prices will be reviewed by the Executive Director in consultation with the Board of Directors on an annual basis.