



Alive

magazine

*by young women,
for young women*

Guidelines for Contributing Writers

Alive Magazine is devoted to promoting positive media and artwork created by young women in the format of an online magazine. All published pieces should reflect AM's commitment to encouraging and empowering young women, and the editors of AM reserve the right not to publish submissions that conflict with our mission and vision statements.

Written Submissions

- Pieces accepted for publication must fit an existing column or feature section [see list below], and will be assigned accordingly by the Managing Editor.
- Fictional pieces should focus on issues relating to young women and their development, and will be published less frequently than non-fiction pieces.
- Non-fiction submissions should always have a narrative component, even when research-based. Mediums can include, but are not limited to, poetry, essays, journal entries, editorials, travelogues, and newsfeatures (with elements of personal narrative).
- Profanity will not be allowed in submissions accepted for publication, and appropriate changes will be suggested and/or approved by the Managing Editor and Executive Director.
- Submissions (aside from poetry) should generally be between 400 and 2000 words, although exceptions may be granted under certain circumstances.
- Submissions must include contact information, including name, mailing address, telephone number, E-mail address, and age (if over 25, just note 25+).
- Send submissions to contribute@alivemagazine.org, or to:

Alive Magazine c/o Managing Editor
1720 Madison St. NE Suite 300
Minneapolis, MN 55413

Departments and Feature Sections

Features (typically longer pieces)

- Discover – "What makes you come alive?"
- Believe – "Finding God in unexpected places"
- Explore – "Tales of travel and adventure"
- Give – "Stories of service and volunteering"
- Aim – "Inspiring successes, curious ambitions, and unique interests"
- Mend – "Picking up the pieces when life falls apart"

Departments (usually shorter than feature pieces, although not always)

- Muse – "Original poetry and fresh lyrics"
- Groove – "Music, dance and other inspiring sounds"
- Flair – "Creative styles and ideas for adding a personal flair to current trends"
- Listen – "Perspectives on life from someone older and wiser"
[reserved for women or men over 25]
- Wonder – "Answers to life's hard-to-ask questions"
- Imagine – "How would you change the world, if given the opportunity?"
- Spend – "Where to spend your money wisely and effectively"
- Consider – "News-related stories relevant to you and your world"
- Taste – "Favorite dorm recipes, easy snack ideas, and cafeteria creations"
- Mister – "Life from his perspective"
[reserved for men of any age]
- Mischief – "Tales of fiction and truth, silly shenanigans, and friendly foolery"