



SHORT STORY AWARD FOR NEW WRITERS

1ST PLACE

Gabe Herron receives \$1,500 for “Suzette.”

There’s some kind of magic that happens in places like that, where fathers and sons take their rests together after the work. Their arms made heavy and dumb by it, but their minds made calm and clear.

Gabe Herron lives outside a small town near Portland, Oregon, with his wife, son, and daughter. His stories have appeared in [PANK], *Portland Review*, and *Prairie Schooner*. He has worked at Powell’s Books for thirteen years.

2ND PLACE

Sam Miller Khaikin receives \$500 for
“A Working Theory of Stellar Collapse.”

She walked over to the couch and sat next to you, as if you’d been friends since forever, as if you’d already told her this story.

Sam is finishing her MFA at Columbia University, where she also teaches undergraduate composition. She is working on a story collection and a novel, and plans to return to her native San Francisco in the fall. This is her first award for fiction.

3RD PLACE

Cady Vishniac receives \$300 for “Move.”

I imagine myself as a Midwesterner, a nice woman who never does anything worth apologizing for. I check my phone and see that my ex has written me another message.

Cady Vishniac is a first-year fiction MFA and Distinguished University Fellow at The Ohio State University. Her fiction has appeared in *CutBank*, her poetry in *Sugar House Review*.

We thank all entrants for sending in their work!