

SHORT STORY AWARD FOR NEW WRITERS

1st Place

Dan Murphy receives $2,500 for "In Miniature."

Let's warp speed to feeling okay, okay? Let's get straight back to feeling fucking anything other than this.

Though the results of his daily routine vary wildly, Dan Murphy continues to pursue his career in writing. He loves words, what they do, how they sound when placed in a particular order. Dan received his BA in literature and creative writing from DePaul University. He is the literary half and co-creator of the collaborative storytelling website letsworm.com. He lives in Brooklyn with his wife and daughter, who allow him time to pursue this dream. This will be his first published piece of fiction.

2nd Place

David Ye receives $500 for "Blue Water."

I had not seen her like this before, but this was how she must have looked all the time: lonely and fragile and afraid.

David Ye is a graduate of the Iowa Writers' Workshop. He is the recipient of the 2017 Henfield Prize for Fiction.

3rd Place

Jen Wellington receives $300 for "Red Stick."

It would be nice to have a house. Of course, I'd have to know where I'd be working for more than a semester.

Jen Wellington is a native of New Orleans, an MFA candidate in fiction at Columbia University, and an amateur mycologist. She and her husband live in Buffalo, New York, amid innumerable small spiders.