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Amazon Literary Partnership Awards \$10,000 to the *Oxford American*

LITTLE ROCK, AR — The Amazon Literary Partnership has awarded a \$10,000 grant to the *Oxford American*. The grant will fund the publication of fiction, nonfiction, and poetry by both emerging and established authors in the magazine.

“We are honored to receive funding from the Amazon Literary Partnership,” said *Oxford American* editor Eliza Borné. “As a small nonprofit magazine with high artistic ambitions, we depend on grants and donations to continue the work of publishing excellent writing from and about the South. This grant will support the heart of the *Oxford American*’s mission: new work from our contributors. I’m thrilled.”

With the goal of helping writers tell their stories and find their readers, the Amazon Literary Partnership supports organizations that empower writers to create, publish, learn, teach, experiment, and thrive. The Amazon Literary Partnership funds writing centers, residencies, fellowships, literary magazines, small publishers, and organizations that support storytelling. The *Oxford American* is a first-time recipient of a grant from the Amazon Literary Partnership.

“The Amazon Literary Partnership is extremely proud to provide this first-ever grant to *Oxford American*,” said Neal Thompson, Amazon’s Director of Literary Relations. “As a longtime champion of new and vital voices, *Oxford American* has become an important home to today’s storytellers, a place where history and poetry, music and culture, photography and food all coexist beautifully between the covers.”

For more information on the Amazon Literary Partnership, visit:
<https://www.amazon.com/p/feature/mjj6teohnwoppgw>.

ABOUT THE OXFORD AMERICAN

The *Oxford American* is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit arts organization and national magazine dedicated to featuring the very best in Southern writing, while documenting the complexity and vitality of the American South. Over the past 25 years, the *Oxford American* has helped launch and sustain the careers of many significant writers of fiction, literary journalism, memoir, reportage, criticism, and the lyric essay. Since 1992, the magazine has published original nonfiction work by such powerhouses as Z. Z. Packer, John Jeremiah Sullivan, Alex Mar, Leslie Jamison, Kiese Laymon, John T. Edge, Jesmyn Ward, Barry Hannah, Wendell Berry, Michelle García, Roy Blount Jr., Stephanie Elizondo Griest, John Updike, and many others, while also routinely publishing emerging writers. The *Oxford American*, along with its contributors, has received numerous awards, including the 2016 National Magazine Award in General Excellence. The *Oxford American* is committed to the development of young individuals aspiring to work in the publishing industry and to the production and presentation of multidisciplinary arts events in and around Little Rock, Arkansas. For more information, visit OxfordAmerican.org.

ABOUT THE AMAZON LITERARY PARTNERSHIP

The Amazon Literary Partnership is committed to supporting the national literary community by providing grants to nonprofit organizations that strive for a lasting impact on writers’ lives. Since 2009, the Amazon Literary Partnership has supported more than 120 groups, such as the National Book Foundation, Cave Canem, PEN America, Poets & Writers, Girls Write Now, Hugo House, The Loft Literary Center, National Novel Writing Month, Words Without Borders, The Moth, and many more.