



**SHANTI ARTS  
WRITING AGREEMENT**

This agreement (the "Agreement") is made and entered into as of: **(please provide the date)**  
**\_\_\_\_\_** (the "Effective Date") by and between Shanti Arts LLC  
(hereafter referred to as "Company"), having a place of business at 193 Hillside Road, Brunswick,  
Maine 04011, and **(provide your full name)** \_\_\_\_\_  
(hereafter referred to as "Writer"). **Provide your mailing address and a phone number:**

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**The Agreement is in regards to professional writing described below:**

**Title of Work:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please send (1) a short bio of no more than 100 words to [publisher@shantiarts.com](mailto:publisher@shantiarts.com).**

IN CONSIDERATION OF THE MUTUAL COVENANTS MADE HEREIN, THE PARTIES AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

1. **Work.** Writer agrees that he or she is the sole author of the Work, which is original work by Writer, free of plagiarism. Writer agrees that he or she has used best efforts to ensure that all facts and statements in the Work are true (with an appropriate exception for fiction writing) and that the Work does not infringe upon any copyright, right of privacy, proprietary right, right of publicity or any other right of a third party. In the event that Writer breaches this duty of care, Writer agrees to indemnify and hold the Company harmless from any loss or damages suffered by Company including reasonable attorneys' fees required to defend Company. Writer agrees that Company has the right to edit the Work as it deems appropriate for publication, and Company is not required to provide proofs to Writer prior to publication unless substantial changes have been made to Work that might include deletion or rearrangement of entire paragraphs or sections. Writer agrees to cooperate with Company in editing and otherwise reviewing the Work prior to

publication, should this be necessary as determined by Company. Writer will further cooperate with Company by providing supporting affidavits and/or testimony without additional cost to Company if any complaints, claims, or litigation should arise regarding the Work.

- 2. **Scope of Company’s Rights in Work.** By signing this agreement, Writer grants Company exclusive First Rights (meaning the right to be the first to publish Work in print and in digital format on its website); and Anthology Rights (meaning the right to publish Work in the future in an anthology on a worldwide basis). Further, Company (and its partners, distributors and other permitted third parties) shall have the right to use brief excerpts of Work and Writer’s name and likeness to promote the Work utilizing both print and electronic outlets including but not limited to [www.stillpointartgallery.com](http://www.stillpointartgallery.com) and any social media sites that Company shall determine are appropriate to enhance or advertise the Work for Company’s purposes. Writer must note and hereby grants Company the right to (a) submit Work, as part of its complete publication, to an information database hosting agent that puts material in a searchable online format available through libraries and other subscribing institutions; and (b) distribute Work, as part of its complete publication, in digital formats to and through third parties.
- 3. **Completed Work.** Upon publication, Writer will be sent, free of charge, the digital edition of the issue in which Work appears and will be given the opportunity to purchase copies of the print edition.
- 4. **Publication.** In the event that the Work is not published within twenty-four (24) months of the signing of the Agreement, all rights revert to the Writer who shall have the right to sell and/or arrange for publication of the Work as he or she so chooses.
- 5. **Applicable Laws.** The parties agree that the laws of the state of Maine shall apply to this Contract and that the venue for any suit brought by either Writer or Company with respect to the services sold hereunder shall be within the State of Maine.

**Executed as a sealed instrument as of the date first written above.**

**Shanti Arts LLC**

By: Christine A. Brooks Cote, Its duly authorized Member \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

I, (Writer, please print name) \_\_\_\_\_  
assert that I have read, understand and agree to the Writing Agreement.

By: Writer, please sign \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

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