



National Novel Writing Month Announces Major Grant from Amazon Literary Partnership

Berkeley, CA, (November 6, 2015) — [Amazon Literary Partnership](#) is again supporting writers around the world with a major grant to [National Novel Writing Month](#) (NaNoWriMo), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit based in Berkeley. The grant will help fund NaNoWriMo and the Young Writers Program (YWP), which bring creativity into the lives of over 300,000 kids, teens, and adults as they learn the power of their imaginations.

NaNoWriMo is a marathon writing event that challenges participants to write the first draft of a 50,000-word novel in November. There are local chapters in more than 600 regions around the world that organize in-person workshops and write-ins throughout the month.

The Young Writers Program brings creative writing into classrooms and supports K-12 educators and students to develop writing fluency.

“Amazon has awarded National Novel Writing Month \$25,000 for six years running as part of its philanthropic grant program, Amazon Literary Partnership,” said Grant Faulkner, Executive Director of National Novel Writing Month. “As a small organization hosting the world’s largest writing event, Amazon’s support has been instrumental in helping us bring hundreds of thousands of stories into the world.”

“Amazon is thrilled to be able to continue supporting an organization that does so much to help so many writers tell their stories,” said Neal Thompson, Director of Author and Publishing Relations, who oversees the Amazon Literary Partnership. “The 30-day NaNoWriMo challenge is a serious undertaking, and we applaud those who have committed themselves to writing like mad this month.”

For more information on NaNoWriMo or the YWP, please visit our website at nanowrimo.org/about and ywp.nanowrimo.org.

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