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## **2010 ONYX NEON NORTHWEST NOVELISTS CONTEST**

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**HILLSBORO, OR** – Onyx Neon Press announces the 2010 Northwest Novelist Contest. Authors in Oregon and Southwest Washington are encouraged to submit original edited manuscripts for consideration. Recommended draft length is approximately 60,000 to 100,000 words. Manuscripts will be judged by a panel based on originality, quality, editing ease, and the kind of quirkiness you get from living in the Pacific Northwest. The winning author will be offered a publishing contract. Manuscripts may be submitted as an attachment in plain text with minimal formatting to [submissions@onyxneon.com](mailto:submissions@onyxneon.com). Entries must be received no later than May 31, 2010. Authors retain all rights to their submissions. Strict confidentiality will be imposed. Onyx Neon agrees it will not sell, trade, loan, or reveal any details of a submission to any party outside the judging panel.

The decision of the judges is final. Complete contest rules can be found at: [www.onyxneon.com/contests/northwest\\_novelists.html](http://www.onyxneon.com/contests/northwest_novelists.html). Please address questions to: [questions@onyxneon.com](mailto:questions@onyxneon.com). Prior publications by Onyx Neon can be found at: [www.onyxneon.com](http://www.onyxneon.com).

Onyx Neon Press is an independent publishing house and consulting firm headquartered in Hillsboro, Oregon; founded to treat authors and readers fairly and to experiment with new publishing business strategies. As a small press, Onyx Neon can specialize in a handful of books a year, giving each book the attention it deserves. Co-Founder Shane Warden says, "Everyone has a story to tell, and we want to help people tell them. We relish the opportunity to help promising new authors see their words in print, and to help them take the next steps in their careers." Onyx Neon books can be purchased at Powell's Books, and on-line at Amazon.com.

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