

## *Gander Press Review* Cover Art Contest

Artists, *Gander Press Review* (GPR) wants you! GPR is now looking for cover art for its April edition.

Interested?

We've tried to anticipate most of your questions, but if you have any more, please contact Brant at [brant\\_goble@ganderpress.com](mailto:brant_goble@ganderpress.com)

### *Frequently Asked Questions*

*What is this all about?*

GPR is having a contest to find cover art for its April edition.

*First, why should I enter your contest? What do I get if I win?*

Initially, we planned to offer the winning artist an all expenses paid trip to Paris. When the budget for that fell through, we decided that a trip to Mexico would be almost as good.

(You do realize we meant the cities in Kentucky, right?)

After an informal poll suggested that most artists have never heard of Mexico, Kentucky (much less want to travel there), we decided to offer the winning artist a gift of even greater value—two copies of *Gander Press Review* and a prominent listing on the GPR website (and, of course, a virtual pat on the back).

The runner up will be given an honorable mention in the print and electronic editions of GPR.

*Okay, should the art have a theme, or can I just wing it?*

Ha! The theme for the April cover is “The Summer Goose.” What exactly is a “summer goose?” That's up to you to decide. Just remember that your work must meet our technical and aesthetic specifications.

*What are your technical specifications?*

Cover art entries must be designed to fit within the 6x9 inch cover area and provide for a 1/8” margin on all sides. If delivered as a raster image, cover art should be at least 300 PPI (but no more than 600 PPI).

These are the image file formats we can accept.

TIFF (.tif, .tiff)  
JPEG (.jpg, jpeg)

PSD (.psd)  
BMP (.bmp)  
PDF (.PDF)  
GIMP XCF (.xcf)  
GIF (.gif)  
AI (.ai)  
PDF (.pdf)

We *strongly* prefer uncompressed file formats, but if you feel compelled to send your artwork in a compressed file format, please use the lightest compression possible.

Scans of hand drawn artwork are acceptable, but they must be at least 300 PPI.

Please note that these specifications are for the *front* cover only. If you would like to send a complete cover (front, spine, and back), feel free to do so, but we would strongly recommend that you contact us first for more specialized instructions.

*What are your aesthetic specifications?*

*Gander Press Review* is looking for an *illustrated* cover.

As much as we like photographs, we really would prefer artwork that has a certain amount of handwork in it. You can, however, integrate photographs (so long as you control the rights to them) into your illustrations.

Contest entries may be in either color or black and white.

All cover art should either have the letters *GPR* at its top or a place for us to add the letters later.

Finally, all entries should feature a goose or geese (how many is entirely up to you). The goose (or geese) may be presented as realistically or unrealistically as you see fit.

*Where do I send my illustrations?*

Email your entry (or entries) as an attachment to [contest@ganderpress.com](mailto:contest@ganderpress.com)

If that email address doesn't work, send your entry to [brant\\_goble@ganderpress.com](mailto:brant_goble@ganderpress.com)

*How much time do I have to enter the contest?*

All artwork must be received no later than 11:59PM CDT March 27, 2009.

*How many entries may I send?*

Please don't send more than 100 entries per contest period. (Of course, we're joking. You may send up to 105.)

*Anything else I should know?*

Remember to include your name and email address with your entry.