



SHORT-STORY AWARD FOR NEW WRITERS

1ST PLACE

Karen Malley receives \$1200 for “Roof Dog.”

“You fell perfectly. If everyone fell like that no one would ever get hurt.”

“I hit my head. That hurt.”

“You have a strong head. You’re American. You drink a lot of milk.”

Karen Malley earned her MFA at the University of Massachusetts in 1993. She lives in Springfield, Massachusetts and is in the process of earning a second Master’s in Education with a concentration in teaching English as a second language. She currently teaches English to refugees in Springfield, and plans to teach ESL in an urban high school.

2ND PLACE

Anne Walsh Miller receives \$500 for “The Rickman Digression.”

Claire will never forget the purple light, the actual purple atmosphere of pure love that followed. She accidentally knocked the top book off the ledge with her foot. It fell, hit the fire escape and burst open. Hundreds of loose poems hung in the air for a second. Honest to god, they hung in the air for a second.

Anne Walsh Miller is the author of a book of poems called *I Love Like a Drunk Does* (Ginninderra Press, 2009). She’s working on a children’s chapter book about an enchanted library and on expanding “The Rickman Digression” into a novel. She had twelve stories short-listed with *Glimmer Train* before placing with this one, which, she says, makes the view from the train window that much sweeter. “The Rickman Digression” will be her first fiction publication.

3RD PLACE

Adva Levin receives \$300 for “Stand Clear of the Closing Doors, Please.”

When you can’t resist the urge for the home-cooked flavors of home, find a Lebanese restaurant. Be surprised at the number of Palestinians, Lebanese, Syrians that you meet. You’ll need America to be able to talk to each other.

Adva Levin grew up in Israel and the United States. She holds an MFA in creative writing from Columbia University, and a BS in mathematics and economics from Tel Aviv University. She is currently working on her first novel and on various translations of Hebrew literature into English. “Stand Clear of the Closing Doors, Please” will be her first published fiction.

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