

STORY SUBMISSION & PERMISSIONS AGREEMENT

Effective Date: November 2025

This Agreement outlines the rights and responsibilities between you (“Contributor”) and Silver Miracle Press (“Publisher”) regarding any story, memory, reflection, audio recording, questionnaire, or other submitted material (“Submission”).

By submitting any material to Silver Miracle Press, you agree to the terms below.

1. Ownership

You retain full ownership of your story or submission.
Submitting your story does not transfer your copyright to Silver Miracle Press.

2. Your Permission Options

We give contributors three choices for how their story may be used.
You may choose one or more of the following:

Option A — Private Use Only

Your story will be used solely to create your personal keepsake, booklet, or reflection.
It will not be published or shared publicly.

Option B — Permission to Publish

You grant Silver Miracle Press the right to publish your submission in:

- community anthologies
- digital or print collections
- “Silver Miracle Stories”
- website galleries
- future projects aligned with our mission

You may choose whether your name appears or is omitted.

Option C — Anonymous Sharing

Your story may be published or included in projects without your name or identifying details.

We may lightly edit for clarity while preserving your voice.

**You may change your permission level at any time by emailing:
lee@silvermiraclepress.org**

3. Emotional Well-Being Research (Optional)

You may choose to allow your submissions to be used for fully anonymized academic research.

If you opt in:

- **no identifying information will be shared**
- **stories may be analyzed for themes related to emotional connection, purpose, and well-being**
- **insights may be shared with universities, gerontology departments, and aging specialists**

This research helps us explore how storytelling supports emotional health and reduces isolation.

Participation is optional and can be withdrawn any time.

4. Editing & Formatting

You grant us permission to:

- **lightly edit for grammar, readability, or structure**
- **format your story for print or digital presentation**
- **ensure clarity without altering meaning**

We will not change the essence or tone of your story.

5. Withdrawal of Permission

You may revoke permission at any time for future use.

If your story has already been printed or published, previously distributed materials cannot be recalled, but future use will cease immediately.

6. Representations

You affirm that:

- **the submission is your own original work**
 - **sharing it does not violate any law or rights of others**
 - **you grant permissions voluntarily**
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7. No Compensation

Unless explicitly stated in writing, submissions are voluntary and unpaid.

8. How to Contact Us

To update permissions, withdraw your story, or ask questions:

lee@silvermiraclepress.org