

2026 Write in the Springs Conference Scholarship Application Instructions

ACFW Colorado Springs is pleased to offer a limited number of scholarships for the annual Write in the Springs Conference being held at La Foret on March 27-28, 2026. This year's scholarships will, at minimum, cover the full registration cost for our all-day Saturday sessions for either genre track. The one-day registration also includes lunch at La Foret, coffee, snacks and all conference materials and handouts for the day. Scholarship awardees will have the opportunity to add lodging and other options when completing their registration.

Eligibility: Any current ACFW member in good standing for at least one full year (since November, 2023) is eligible to apply. Those who have previously received a WITS scholarship award may not apply again on the following consecutive year.

Deadlines: Scholarship applications must be received by 6:00 pm (Mountain Time) on January 10, 2026, to be considered. Award notifications will be emailed to all applicants on or before January 15, 2026.

How to Apply: There is no application fee. Applicants must complete our **SCHOLARSHIP QUESTIONNAIRE** found on page 2 of this document:

- 1) Save this document to your computer. Open the document and add your answers to each question. Your answers may expand the questionnaire to multiple pages, if needed.
- 2) Save the completed document and attach it to an email sent to: conference@acfwcosprings.com. Write "Scholarship" on the subject line of the email. No additional text needs to be included in the body of the email.

Selection: Applications are reviewed and prayerfully considered according to the following criteria:

- Commitment to writing career
- Efforts to improve craft
- Involvement in ACFW
- Financial Need

The identities of our scholarship awardees and our donors are never published or made public in any way though they are not hidden from the members of the evaluating committee.

DONATIONS: Our scholarships are made available through the generous donations of those who support our chapter's efforts to train and encourage Christian authors. Anyone may contribute to this fund, which is maintained exclusively to help make Write in the Springs available to as many people as possible. Donations are not tax-deductible. Contributors can find a link for direct donation to the fund on our website at: acfwcosprings.com

2026 Write in the Springs Scholarship Questionnaire

(You may provide your answers in a digital document attachment or directly in an email reply.)

1) Name:

2) ACFW Member since (date):

3) Email:

4) Phone:

5) At what writing level do you consider yourself?
(Specify the closest match at right)

Level	Description
A	Beginner.
B	Been studying for a while; strong skills; manuscripts requested but still getting rejections and haven't acquired an agent.
C	Like B, but manuscripts may be getting further into the process before rejection. Editors and agents show interest, but no contract offers yet.
D	Published or recently contracted.
E	Established author; published with multiple books.

6) Have you ever received a WITS Scholarship before? If so, what year?

7) Have you ever attended a WITS conference before? Or other Christian writers' conferences?

8) How do you expect attending this conference will help you move to the next level in your writing? Be as specific as possible.

9) Discuss your goals, both for your writing and for what you hope to get out of the conference.

10) List methods used to improve craft in recent years, such as conference attendance, critique groups (ACFW or otherwise), use of writing books, local writing groups, writing classes, etc.

11) Describe your involvement with ACFW. Are you active with any of the online loops on the ACFW website or with a local ACFW chapter? Do you volunteer or serve ACFW in some capacity?

12) Please describe your financial need – the reason you are applying for the ACFW Conference Scholarship and how you would benefit from receiving it.