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Hysterical Magazine
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***Hysterical* announces launch, is open for submissions.**

New York, NY (April 2018) *Hysterical*, founded by veterans of the publishing industry and graduates of The New School's MFA program, is pleased to announce that it is open for submissions and that its first issue is set to launch this fall.

Hysterical is a literary magazine that strives to highlight the diversity of writers who are women, femmes or non-binary people whose work deftly navigates and subverts societal expectations across and between genres, carving out a unique space for voices working to redefine the persistently patriarchal world of literary writing.

The magazine had a soft opening for submissions at AWP Tampa and is now open for all writers to submit their work. *Hysterical* will be a cultural hub for a progressive community of writers and readers where the voices of underrepresented, non-male writers are celebrated without caveat or reserve through the perspectives showcased in our online publication, events, and an active role in ongoing public discourse.

In a literary community where still only 48% of surveyed magazines reached gender parity per VIDA's 2016 count, *Hysterical* is seeking to even the playing field, celebrating the voices and perspectives of women and non-men. As literary humor particularly fails to recognize non-male voices, it will be specially spotlighted in *Hysterical*, which will have a humor section in every issue.

The editors are interested in unpublished works of prose, poetry, and hybrid/cross-genre writing, including essays and narrative nonfiction pieces. The magazine seeks writing that is filthy and hilarious, risky, painfully true, unusual, or just plain thought-provoking. Simultaneous submissions are accepted. The first issue is scheduled to launch this fall.

There is no submission fee and all contributors will be paid for their work if published. Additional guidelines can be found on the website www.hystericalrag.com.

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