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Twenty-five percent of Florida's fourth graders do not pass the yearly reading assessment, and 60% are not at reading level. Twenty-five percent of adult Floridians read at an eighth grade level or lower and one in eight is functionally illiterate. We invite you to join us in doing something meaningful about these statistics.

We are Florida Writers Foundation, Inc (FWF), a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation. Our goal is to promote reading literacy, and enhance the writing skills of children, youth, and adults. FWF provides grants to schools and initiatives across the state of Florida.

We have sponsored essay writing challenges in Palm Beach middle and high schools, an anthology at Chiles Academy in Daytona Beach which serves an eclectic and diverse community of pregnant and parenting teens, and "1000 Books Before Kindergarten" at W.T. Bland Library in Mt. Dora. Additional projects have included partnering with therapy reading dogs at various libraries.

The Florida Writers Association (FWA), a member trade association, is helping us to raise funds. The Foundation will be hosting a Silent Auction at FWA's 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Florida Writers Conference, October 14-17, 2021. Hundreds of writers, editors, and publishers will gather at the Hilton Orlando/Altamonte Springs for a weekend of writing workshops, networking opportunities, and award presentations. This auction will be a featured event, and donors will be highlighted on FWF's website [floridawritersfoundation.net](http://floridawritersfoundation.net) and social media accounts.

We're asking you to donate one or more items to our Silent Auction to help us build the funds necessary to make our fight against illiteracy more successful. Your FWF donation may be tax deductible under current IRS regulations. The positive exposure for your company is priceless. Donations may be submitted using the attached form.

Questions? Please e-mail me at [tamilowe@gmail.com](mailto:tamilowe@gmail.com). On behalf of the Florida Writers Foundation Board and those we help, thank you for your consideration of becoming a sponsor in this worthwhile event.

Tami Lowe  
Silent Auction Chair, Board Member

Silent Auction Chair-in-Training

**FLORIDA WRITERS FOUNDATION**  
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# Florida Writers Foundation, Inc. 2021 Silent Auction

## Donation Form

Thank you for making a contribution to our Silent Auction. To donate an item, please complete the form below and send the donated item to the address listed below no later than **September 18**. Donated items will be displayed during the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Florida Writers Conference, October 14-17, 2021.

Donor/Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_ Check here if you do **NOT** wish to be recognized publicly for your donation.

Name of the donated item(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Retail Value: \$\_\_\_\_\_

Description of the donated item(s) (If you are donating a basket or container of items, please include an itemized list on the next page):

Special Instructions or Restrictions (if applicable)

Restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Once the item is received, we will post with our thanks on the Florida Writers Foundation website: [floridawritersfoundation.net](http://floridawritersfoundation.net) and also on our social media. Any branding specs should be forwarded as well.



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C/O TAMI LOWE WHITING  
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