Wondering how to search for submission opportunities?

Wondering how to submit to literary journals? (prepared 11/9/19)

Google it! - literary submissions, literary search engines, tools for writers, specific genres, etc. The library! For resource books, literary journals, magazines, etc. Writers and writing organizations blogs and websites often have some version of market database or listing of recent submission calls.

Read the material at the front or back of favorite short story/poetry/essay collections, where the author thanks the journals that originally published them.

Same for Great American Short Stories/Essays, or any similar anthology. These works were originally published in a journal (print or online) & the source will be listed.

Free online search engines (by no means a complete list):

The Grinder - <https://thegrinder.diabolicalplots.com>

Submission tracker and market database (fiction and poetry)

Submittable - <https://manager.submittable.com/beta/discover>

“discover” feature – all genres, search by deadline, topic or journal

*Poets & Writers Magazine* - <https://www.pw.org>

Several useful databases for writers – all genres (submission tracker and market database, also small presses, agents, and more)

Literary Mama - <http://www.literarymama.com>

Monthly listing of submissions opportunities (it’s a list, not searchable)

Subscribe to *Poets & Writers*, *Writer’s Digest*, *The Writing Chronicle*, any writing mag? Check out all the paid ads and listings at the back for submission opportunities, anthologies, special submission calls, etc.

Subscription Services:

Duotrope - <https://duotrope.com> (there are likely others; I use this one)

Comprehensive market database and submission tracker. All genres, plus agents, publishers, etc. First 30 days free. $50 year/$5 month – group rates available