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About Hybrid Publishing

According to IBPA *"Hybrid publishing companies behave just like traditional publishing companies in all respects, except that they publish books using an author-subsidized business model, as opposed to financing all costs themselves and, in exchange, return a higher-than-industry-standard share of sales proceeds to the author. A hybrid publisher makes income from a combination of publishing services and book sales."*

Independent Book Publishers Association (IBPA) hybrid publishing criteria

Submission Instructions & Process

1. Fill out the Submission Form here: https://forms.gle/CPgipj4fHUnz832d9
2. At the end of the Submission Form you will be asked to upload a PDF file of the first two chapters, as well as the final chapter, of your book.
3. The Submission Form is open year-round.
4. Although the Submission Form is open year-round, Quiet Storm makes a concerted effort to review all submissions from the previous year annually, during Banned Books Week.
    - October 4-10, 2026
    - October 3-9, 2027
5. Following the annual review of submissions, if Quiet Storm is interested in hybrid-publishing your manuscript…
    a. Typically within 90 days, contact will take place via email and there will be a request for the author to fill out the ***Author Intake Form***, which helps determine compatibility.
    b. If compatibility is established through the Author Intake Form, we will then set a one-on-one session to determine publishing desires, needs, and whether a shared vision and capacity exist.
    c. Authors who are considered for approval will be asked to submit their manuscript in its entirety to be checked for plagiarism using Microsoft Plagiarism Checker. Any submissions that don't pass the check will not get further consideration. Hybrid-published books are typically published the following calendar year, between the months of June - September.
    d. Quiet Storm does not have the capacity to provide feedback on all of the manuscripts that are submitted annually
    e. In some scenarios, Quiet Storm may reach out and provide manuscript feedback, with a recommendation to re-submit the manuscript the following year.
6. Please, only one submission per author.