

GUIDE FOR SPIRITUAL LIVING

SCIENCE OF MIND MAGAZINE

What We Want

Guide for Spiritual Living: Science of Mind magazine publishes articles that teach, inspire, motivate and inform. Editorial content addresses the concerns, interests and problems of readers, offering thoughtful perspectives on how they can experience greater self-acceptance, empowerment and meaningful living.

Our readers are Religious Science followers, New Thought adherents and cultural creatives – free thinkers who care about spiritual growth, personal development, community, sustainable living and sacred activism.

We publish articles that provide practical tools for spiritual living. We also include articles that offer a spiritual perspective on world events and trends.

We do not publish works of poetry or fiction.

Submission Guidelines for Writers

Thank you for your interest in writing for Guide for Spiritual Living: Science of Mind magazine. Due to the large quantity of queries we receive, we request that all queries follow the guidelines below. If you do not hear from us in two months, feel free to query other publications.

Before you send a query, you might read several issues so you understand the subject matter we cover, as well as the style and tone of articles we publish.

Queries for articles that do not fit the magazine's format will not be considered or returned.

Writers' Guidelines

If you are interested in writing an article for us, we ask that you follow the format below for evaluation.

Your query should address all questions below. Our readers are spiritual seekers. Many are new to our philosophy, so avoid using jargon. The most successful queries are those that are timely, appropriately researched, engagingly written, freshly angled and tailored to Science of Mind readers in particular.

- 1) What is the premise for the article? Tell us the essence of the article in no more than 3 paragraphs.
- 2) Science of Mind magazine stresses practical advice that our readers can apply in their daily lives. Tell us three ways our readers will benefit from your story. List the features of the article that will deliver these takeaways.
- 3) **Do some research on our magazine.** Read back issues. Highlight two or three related articles and tell us in what ways your article is similar and in what ways it brings something new to the table.
- 4) Your bio. Who are you? Why are you qualified to write this story? Include a writing sample.
- 5) Do not submit a presentation as an article. Rewrite the presentation to standard article format prior to submission.
- 6) Include a polished working draft of the lead and first two paragraphs of your story.

STUDY OUR PUBLICATION. Closely read a few issues (they are available at Barnes & Noble and online at ScienceOfMind.com). Note what topics we cover, the writing style (conversational as opposed to academic), use of sidebars and subheads, and how we open and end articles.

QUERY FIRST. In your query, explain why the article is a good fit for our readers and include the opening three (3) paragraphs. Include samples of previous articles on a similar topic.

- Features run 800 – 1,500 words. Longer submissions, if accepted, will be edited to the appropriate length. Keeping your work to the accepted word limit increases the possibility of publication.
- Follow Associated Press (AP) Style.
- Use language that is inclusive and gender neutral.
 - Incorporate subheads as appropriate.
 - **Science of Mind magazines does not accept works of poetry or fiction.**

Due to the high volume of submissions we receive, we are only able to respond to your story if you have been accepted for publication. If you have not heard from us in two months, please feel free to submit your story elsewhere.

Include your phone number and email address in the query.

Send queries to Edit@ScienceOfMind.com. Please put “Query” in the subject line.

Due to the large number of submissions received, we regret that we cannot respond to every submission. *Thank you for your understanding.*

Types of Articles We Publish

- Mind-body-spirit articles showing the connections among the three and how Religious Science principles affect each or all
- Profiles of people — famous or not — who embody the principles and teachings of Dr. Ernest Holmes
- Explorations of meaningful principles within the Religious Science realm of teaching
- Health and lifestyle articles that demonstrate specific ways to achieve physical and emotional well-being
- In-depth analyses of Religious Science principles in action
- Articles that compare and contrast other faith-based traditions with those of Religious Science

- Articles on topics specifically related to the theme for a given month, recognizing that the finished article must be submitted three months prior to publication

Books, Films and CDs

If you are interested in submitting a book, film or CD to Science of Mind for possible review in our Media Review department, **we prefer an email to Edit@ScienceOfMind.com** along with a PDF or audio file. If you must mail a copy, please send to:

Media Reviews

Attn: Science of Mind magazine
1090 S Wadsworth Blvd Ste C PMB 131
Lakewood, CO 80226

We appreciate advance review copies. **Lead time is four months.**

All submissions are assessed according to the magazine's needs and staff interests.

Please consider:

- Submitting a previously published writing sample,
- Submitting a book or audio collection for inclusion in our "Media Reviews" section,
- Submitting a letter to the editor,
- Advertising with us in the coming year or
- As an advertiser, participating in special sections.

Rights of Publication

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