

Collective

We're super excited about the prospect of you joining the Bellesa Collective writing family. We invite all different writers of different backgrounds, writing styles and experience levels 😊

Writing for The Bellesa Collective is about expressing yourself. Our aim is to provide an unmitigated look into what it means to be a sex-positive woman in 2017. If you have an idea that can further the discussion, we want you to write about it and send 'err in.

Articles in the collective can run a wide variety of subjects. Articles can be about sexuality, personal experiences, relationships, beauty, men, culture, lifestyle, etc, etc. Our guidelines are not strict, we're looking for thought-provoking articles that start interesting discussions - that's it. We believe that by providing this sort of flexibility to our writers, we'll be able to share pieces that are truly fascinating and meaningful to those writing and reading them (and see work created that would often not find itself being created with stricter guidelines).

Bellesa's core value is female empowerment, so this will remain the underlying theme throughout. We want content that emulates that.

What do I need to become a writer?

1. Sign up for Bellesa!
2. Send a pitch for your article to collective@bellesa.co. An editor will respond to your pitch via e-mail as soon as possible as to whether you have the green light to proceed or not. We invite all ideas, but some may discuss subjects that aren't within the scope of what we are aiming to cover in Collective, and sometimes a pitch can use a useful nudge in the right direction to make it more suitable.
3. Write an article on your pitch that you believe will be interesting to others. The structure and tone is entirely at your discretion. We want our writers to write from a place of passion, not instruction- trust us, the difference is palpable.

4. Please check any offensive or discriminatory ideas at the door. The Bellesa Collective is a progressive and inclusive publication. We want anyone of any shape, complexion, lifestyle-religious-political backgrounds to feel welcome. Any and all hate speech will be rejected.

5. All articles must be submitted with file extensions .doc (Word files), .txt (text files) or .rtf (Rich Text files). If your story uses bolds or italics, they will only work if you submit it as a .doc or .rtf.

6. Please do your absolute best to edit the story for spelling and grammar mistakes. We do have editors who will review your content, but any content that is riddled with errors and would take too long edit may be rejected.

7. If you wish to embed GIFs, Images or Videos within your article to enrich the content, please send us specific links and exact instructions as to where to place them.

In submitting a piece to Collective, you are agreeing with the following:

- You are the sole creator of the content.
- You are 18 years or older.
- You grant Bellesa permission to publish your submission as received.
- You grant Bellesa permission to use all legal means available to protect your published work from unauthorized use by other parties.

Examples of pitches:

Bedroom psychology: What does being submissive say about me?

It's interesting because it explores an approach to sexuality and many wonder if it stems for certain personality traits.

The Kind of Feminist who Listens to Dr. Dre

It's interesting because it explores different kinds of feminism, how there is no clean set of guidelines to follow.

Understanding Fetishes: Bondage

It's interesting because it explores a fetish that is often seen as hard to relate to by those that do not engage in it.

We are looking to offer multi-article and full-time contracts. Should we see a strong fit between a writer and The Bellesa Collective, we would be very happy to discuss permanent positions! We are also looking to offer multi-article contracts.

Please send all submission to collective@bellesa.co 💜

