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## **Call for Entries for New M.F.K. Fisher Prize for Excellence in Food & Culture Media**

*New Program Will Award \$6000 in Prize Money for Winning Entries*

Louisville, KY – Jan. 14, 2021 – [Les Dames d'Escoffier International](#) (LDEI) announces the call for entries for its new 2021 M.F.K. Fisher Prize (formerly M.F.K. Fisher Awards for Excellent in Culinary Writing). The new program recognizes excellence for any format of media that broadens the understanding of the intersection of food and culture. The award is named in honor of renowned culinary writer M.F.K. Fisher, whose trailblazing work has encouraged deeper thought about the cultural significance of foodways globally.

The reformatted 2021 Prize expands the scope of entries to include eligible work in any media format including print, digital and broadcast (comprising television, radio, podcast and video). Three top prizes of \$3000, \$2000 and \$1000 will be awarded to first, second and third-place winners, respectively. Seven Certificates of Distinction will be awarded as well. Entries will be judged by a panel of distinguished and diverse independent experts in food, culture and media.

“We are excited to recognize content creators who are inspiring and educating others about food and culture,” said LDEI President Judy Hollis-Jones. “The M.F.K. Fisher Prize is at the core of our mission as an organization: to recognize and support excellence in food and culture through all tiers of the industry (food, beverage and hospitality).”

Entries of works published or aired in calendar year 2020 will be accepted through Thur., March 15, via the LDEI website, with a \$75 entry fee, with an early-bird fee of \$50 for entries submitted by Feb. 1. Click [here](#) for complete rules and entry information. Winners will be notified by Sept. 30, 2021.

Mary Frances Kennedy Fisher is regarded as the mother of American food writing. Her compelling prose and keen observations on food and culture continue to inspire generations of readers, writers, cooks and eaters.

LDEI is an international organization of women leaders who create a supportive culture in their communities to achieve excellence in the food, beverage and hospitality fields. To do this, 2,400 members in 43 chapters worldwide provide leadership, educational opportunities and philanthropy within their communities. For more information, visit [LDEI.org](#) and follow us on Facebook, Instagram, Linked-in and Twitter.

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