

Thank you for your monthly contribution to Sinister Wisdom! I really appreciate your support for the journal.

July in Florida is just hot, hot, hot, and wet and rainy. I actually love the weather since it is a good excuse to sit indoors and do some reading! This July, I worked through the submissions to Sinister Wisdom, shaping our next open issue and making sure all of the folks who have submitted work to us receive a reply. It is always great to read new work by awesome lesbian writers.

We also ordered the new Sinister Wisdom calendar, which was announced in July. Unfortunately, the wet rain and the calendars made for a bad combination. The delivery carrier left the five boxes outside our "world headquarters" and the boxes got rained on! We are sorting out the damage and talking with the printer and the delivery company and trying to figure out what to do. Advance orders will go out soon though and the calendar project will carry on, but it has had a soggy start!

August is filled with fun on the Sinister Wisdom front. I am finalizing Sinister Wisdom 110: Dump Trump, which will be published on October 15th and getting that off to the printer. The page proofs for the January issue just came in from the designer, so those will be going off to contributors later this month as well. I am also working on our 2019 Sapphic Classic - and cooking up a few new ones. I'll write more about that process next month.

This month, we mourned the passing of two good friends to Sinister Wisdom. Melanie Kaye/Kantrowitz passed away on July 9th after a long struggle with Parkinson's disease. Melanie edited Sinister Wisdom during the 1980s and is an activist and thinker I have long admired (and sadly never got to meet!) Angela Bowen also passed away in July; if you haven't seen the movie about her life by her partner Jennifer Abod, treat yourself to it. It is fantastic.

Last month, I wrote about Barrie Jean Borich's work for Lambda Literary. If you missed it, you can read it here: <https://www.lambdaliterary.org/features/07/22/barrie-jean-borich-work-lesbians-and-liberation/>
This month, I am looking forward to reading Bonnie Morris's first novel! So many good lesbian books to read! What are you reading?

Thanks for supporting Sinister Wisdom as a sustainer. It makes a huge difference. All best wishes for a fantastic month of August!

In sisterhood,

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