

a transformational collective that changes the lives of creative women by honoring our artistic excellence and moving us out of isolation to a rich and whole community.

In your words, A Room of Her Own is...

“a place in my mind, a place in my heart, where others come visit, and share.”
—Georgia Hedrick (Reno, NV)

“the woman at the white-walled party holding two glasses of champagne and searching out the nail-biter standing near the chips and dip.”
—Emily Adler (Jersey City, NJ)

“a small craft she climbs into and rows out to sea... she travels far, navigates by stars, and with her own compass rose finds her way home.”
—Terry Song (San Lorenzo, NM)

“the wind knocking on an old window in the middle of the night (get up, get up), a wind untying the last oak leaf (change, change), a wind shaping desert into mountain.”
—Nancy Pearson (Wellfleet, MA)

“Begin. This is what AROHO is.”
—Kara Revel (Los Angeles, CA)

Those who make up our diverse and creative community have demonstrated endless, immeasurable ways of giving. Please join our community and explore and invent ways in which *you* can contribute:

- Freedom Endowment Funder
- Fund a retreat scholarship
- Advisory Council
- Volunteer at an AROHO event
- Board of Directors
- Partnerships/Collaborations
- Community-Building
- Mentorship



To donate, or to inquire about other ways of giving, visit our website at www.aroomofherownfoundation.org

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**AROHO
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\$50,000 Gift of Freedom Awards

“The application is how we change the world, the gift we can give to an unlimited number of women...It takes tremendous courage... but when our objective and someone’s willingness come together, it’s powerful.”

—Darlene Chandler Bassett

Recipients demonstrate talent, motivation, commitment to their art, and a solid creative project to accomplish over the two-year term of the grant.

2002—**Jennifer Tseng, Poetry**
Los Angeles, CA

2003—**Jeannine Harkleroad, Sculpture**
Richmond, VA

2004—**Meredith Hall, Creative Nonfiction**
Pownal, ME

2007—**Summer Wood, Fiction**
Albuquerque, NM

2009—**Barb Johnson, Fiction**
New Orleans, LA

Prizes

**\$1,000 Orlando Prizes
To the Lighthouse
Poetry Publication Prize**

Programs & Resources

**AROHO’s Day Conference
“The Freedom Endowment”
Gallery of Woman Writers & Artists**

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started with one woman helping another woman realize her dream and write her story. Together, Darlene Chandler Bassett and Mary Johnson have turned their personal journey into a life-changing opportunity for other women to experience the power of community, receive funding for their creative endeavors, and claim their space in the world as artists and writers.



Meredith Hall



Darlene Chandler Bassett



Jennifer Tseng



Barb Johnson



Jeannine Harkleroad



Mary Johnson



Summer Wood

“A woman must have money and a room of her own if she is to write.”
—Virginia Woolf

Writers Retreats

Bringing women writers together.

Our summer retreats at Ghost Ranch—the legendary high-desert home of artist Georgia O’Keeffe in Abiquiu, New Mexico—are unparalleled. This unique women-only writers’ retreat brings writers, teachers, and publishing professionals together within a powerful canyon-scape to write, support each other, and tap into the unity of strength that arises when creative women spend time together beyond the distractions of day-to-day life.

In partnership with organizations and individuals, AROHO offers a variety of coveted retreat scholarships to deserving writers.

What an impact my AROHO week has had, resonating all the way from passion to pragmatism. If I had to pick AROHO’s patron Greek goddess, it would definitely be Athena, the Athena of The Odyssey, who inspires Telemachus to courage: “Take my words to heart. It all rests with you.”
—Kristen Kuczenski, 2007 Retreatant

A Room of Her Own Book Club

Since its beginning, AROHO has worked to showcase women in the marketplace. The Book Club not only promotes women authors, but enlists the help of our talented community in the creation of excellent discussion guides for writers and readers with unique and exclusive author interviews.