



Old Growth Northwest

2014 Year in Review

Our community is a literary ecosystem.

Its success means that we value our interdependence, recognize that diversity makes us stronger, and know that, as writers, we must bring our own resources to bear in support of one another.



Tolerating difference is not the same as embracing it.

In 2013, only 93 out of 3,200 children's books published included African American main characters.
– Cooperative Children's Book Center at the University of Wisconsin

Let's embrace difference.

Old Growth Northwest works to build an inclusive community of support for emerging writers and for readers because writing is how we as humans are able to examine, reflect upon, find meaning in, and ultimately understand our own history, culture, and experience.

Five core programs

Reading & Open Mic Series (ROMS)
a bimonthly literary salon

Gay Romance Northwest Initiative
a celebration of LGBTQ romance fiction

The Writer's Workshops
low cost writing instruction and critique

POPLORISH
a literary magazine for emerging voices

Voices Beyond Bars
a prison writing initiative

Entirely volunteer-run

25 volunteers

2,700 volunteer hours

Creating opportunities



15 free reading events
45 featured writers



4 original publications
39 published authors



18 writing workshops
128 students (33 in prison)



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Expanding our reach

450 writers, panelists, students, facilitators, & audience members *actively engaged*

- 80% PNW residents
- 52% women
- 35% LGBTQ
- 25% >45 years old
- 15% people of color

The Old Growth Press in 2014

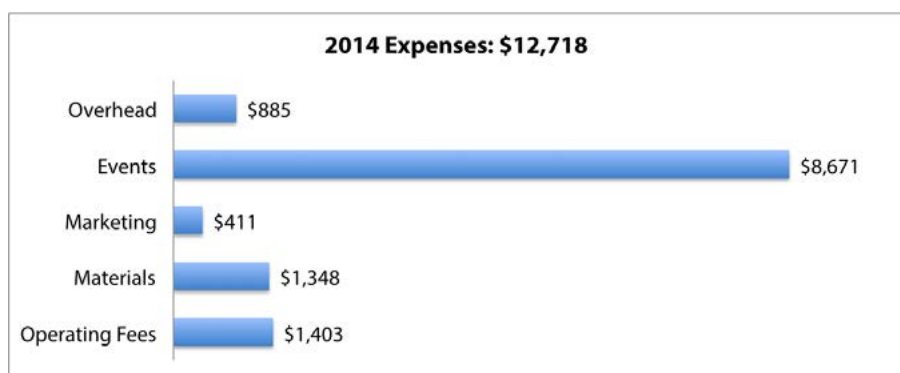
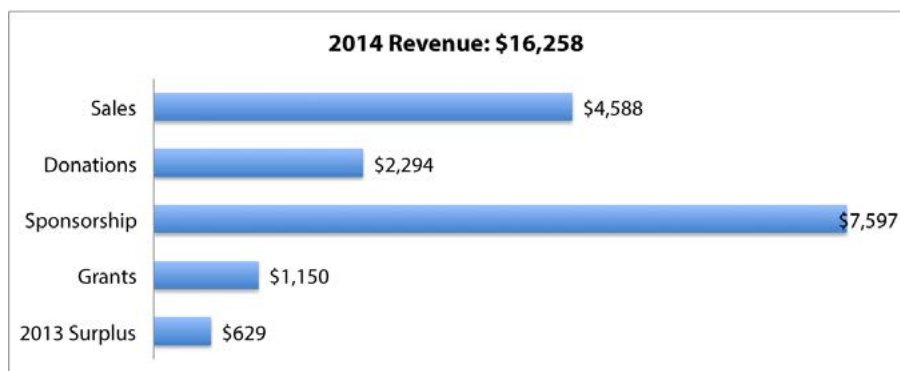


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