

## GUIDELINES FOR CONTRIBUTORS

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### GENERAL INFORMATION

*Southwestern Lore* accepts papers from professional archaeologists, students, and avocational archaeologists. Subjects published in *Southwestern Lore* include, but are not limited to, archaeological reports on sites in Colorado and adjacent areas, descriptive project summaries, preliminary results of significant studies, archaeological method and theory, ethnographic studies, regional history, photo essays, and book reviews.

As noted on the inside front cover of each issue of *Southwestern Lore*, authors submitting manuscripts for consideration should follow the style guidelines of the journal *American Antiquity* as revised in July 2021. The style guide is available on the Society for American Archaeology website at:

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### MANUSCRIPT

Authors should submit a manuscript to the *Southwestern Lore* editor via email. Optionally, a flash drive may be mailed to the editor. NOTE: Paper copies are no longer desired. The manuscript should be double-spaced, with all pages numbered, and provided as an MS Word file. The maximum length of the manuscript text (including References Cited) should not exceed 40 pages (do not count photos, illustrations, or tables). Do not include a Table of Contents. For the Title page, provide a current mailing address and email address for each author, as well as an Abstract. The use of first person is discouraged. Use one space (not two) between sentences. Do not incorporate tables, figures, or photos in the manuscript—submit each one as a separate file. Tables need to be provided in MS Word format. Figure captions should be provided as a single list in MS Word format. Wide tables can be published in landscape format, but tables wide enough to require two pages are discouraged. See a recent issue of *Southwestern Lore* for general layout, in-text citation style, and especially, the format for References Cited.

### BLACK-AND-WHITE AND COLOR GRAPHICS

Because color graphics are expensive to produce, the hard copy version of *Southwestern Lore* has always been published in black-and-white and will continue to be in the future. However, the digital version, available to all Colorado Archaeological Society members, through EBSCO Journal Service, and for digital purchase, began publishing color graphics in 2021, and authors are encouraged to furnish them. Color graphics must be reproducible in black-and-white format. Color photographs typically translate well when converted to black-and-white, but graphs and line drawings will require the use of darker colors to be readable. Authors should experiment with gray-toning to see how their color graphics appear in black-and-white before submitting.

### PHOTOGRAPHS

Electronic files are preferred over physical prints. Scanned photos should be provided at 300 dpi (no less than 150 dpi). Photos from camera phones or digital cameras will vary from 72 dpi to 350 dpi—150 to 350 dpi is preferred, but 72 dpi or 96 dpi is acceptable (camera phones, do

not zoom in). Photos of artifacts should include a bar scale or should include a descriptive scale in the caption. Provide photos in JPG, JPEG, TIF, TIFF, PNG, or BMP format.

If sending a physical print, the photo should be no larger than 8 x 10 inches. Prints with good contrast are preferred. Do not send photographic film negatives. Label physical prints on the back with a soft lead pencil (not ink)—only note the figure number, not the figure caption.

### **LINE DRAWINGS/ILLUSTRATIONS**

As with photographs, electronic files are preferred. Image resolution should be provided at 300 dpi (no less than 150 dpi). A bar scale (not a ratio such as 1 cm = 5 m) should be included on all maps. Provide drawings or illustrations in JPG, JPEG, TIF, TIFF, PNG, or EPS format.

If original line drawings are submitted on paper, larger is better to ensure the best reproduction, but no larger than 8½ x 11 inches. Use only dark ink on acetate, mylar, smooth Bristol paper, or smooth Bristol board. Hand-written labels and keys must be large enough to be legible when reduced. Do not use stick-on letters.

### **ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS**

The full layout page size is 4½ inches wide and 7⅝ inches in height. You may size photographs, line drawings, or illustrations accordingly, but it is not required—the printer can handle the layout. If you create a full-page photo or illustration, use a maximum height of 7¼ inches, which will allow up to three lines of text for the figure caption. Sizing images or figures is not required—the printer will do that for you. Original materials submitted, such as photos, paper, or flash drive, will not be returned unless specifically requested. A copy of the *Southwestern Lore* contributor guidelines can also be found in the *Southwestern Lore* section of the CAS website: <https://coloradoarchaeology.org>.

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