## Writer of the Year 2021



Caryn Larrinaga

Caryn Larrinaga is a Basque-American mystery and horror writer. She has been a Dragon Award finalist and won multiple awards for her work, including the League of Utah Writers Silver Quill (Donn's Hill, 2017) and the Cat Writers Association Certificate of Excellence (Donn's Legacy, 2020). In 2021, she was named Writer of the Year by the League of Utah Writers.

Watching scary movies through split fingers terrified Caryn as a child, and those nightmares inspire her to write now. Her 90-year-old house has a colorful history, and the creaking walls and narrow hallways send her running (never walking) up the stairs. Exploring her fears through writing makes Caryn feel a little less foolish for wanting a buddy to accompany her into the tool shed.

Caryn lives near Salt Lake City, Utah, with her husband and their clowder of cats. She is an active member of the Science Fiction and

Fantasy Writers of America, the Horror Writers Association, the Cat Writers Association, and the League of Utah Writers.

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