



Boudicca Press

**PRESS RELEASE**

Tuesday 28th August

For release on Monday 3rd September

**Disturbing the Beast Kickstarter launches 3rd September: Weird fiction stories from some of the best women writers, including Aliya Whiteley, Kirsty Logan and more.**

Disturbing the Beast is a collection of weird fiction stories by some of the best women writers in the UK, featuring Kirsty Logan, Aliya Whiteley and other talented up-and-coming writers. It's the debut collection from the new literary press, Boudicca Press, who celebrate the strength, courage and literary talents of women.

The Disturbing the Beast collection explores lesser talked about female centred topics including sexual abuse, pregnancy issues and body image. Boudicca is keen to unearth these subjects in a healthy and respectful way, something that they feel is not often considered in mainstream, contemporary literature. They want to celebrate women's voices in the weird fiction genre, in a publishing industry where they feel women are under-represented.

The anthology will be funded by a Kickstarter campaign which launches on **Monday 3rd September 2018** with a target of £2500. Submissions are still open to women, and those who identify as women, from the UK until Friday 14th September.

Disturbing the Beast will be published by Boudicca Press in early 2019.

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## Notes to editors

### About Boudicca Press

Boudicca Press is an independent publisher who celebrates the strength, courage and literary talents of women. They publish weird, literary and relationship fiction by women in the UK. Disturbing the Beast will be the first publication from Boudicca Press. Further details can be found at [www.boudiccapress.wordpress.com](http://www.boudiccapress.wordpress.com)

1. The Kickstarter will launch on Monday 3rd September, where a link to the Kickstarter and further information will be available on <https://boudiccapress.wordpress.com/kickstart-disturbing-the-beast>
2. A press pack, including author biographies and a png of the front cover, are available at <https://boudiccapress.wordpress.com/kickstart-disturbing-the-beast>
3. Boudicca Press are accepting **submissions for Disturbing the Beast until 14th September**. We're looking for short stories from women or people who identify as women, of all ages in the UK. We particularly love pieces that address lesser talked about female centred topics such as sexual abuse, pregnancy issues and body image. Further details can be found at [www.boudiccapress.wordpress.com/2018/06/22/submit-to-disturbing-the-beast-the-best-of-womens-weird-fiction](http://www.boudiccapress.wordpress.com/2018/06/22/submit-to-disturbing-the-beast-the-best-of-womens-weird-fiction)
4. Cover artwork for Disturbing the Beast is by artists and tattooist Hannah Mosley: [www.hannahmosley.co.uk](http://www.hannahmosley.co.uk)

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