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Every year, thanks to the generosity of Jeffrey E. Smith, we are able to bring all of our [Jeffrey E. Smith Editor's Prize](#) winners to Columbia for the weekend to celebrate with the staff and to read their award winning works.

The reception for the prize winners is our big event of the year, and it is a chance for us at *TMR* to get together with the members of the Columbia and University of Missouri community to thank them for their continued support of the magazine. Last Saturday's event was a smashing success, and our winners read their work to a packed room of current and former staff and the aforementioned writing and arts community here in Columbia. In the next few weeks, *TMR's Soundbooth Podcast* is excited to air the winners' readings at the Editor's Prize reception.



We'll begin this week with our Editor's Prize winner in Fiction, Rachel Swearingen, reading her award winning short story, "How to Walk on Water."

Swearingen's stories have appeared in *The Kenyon Review*, *AGNI*, *American Short Fiction*, *Witness*, and elsewhere. Her work has garnered several prizes, including a 2012 Rona Jaffe Writer's Award and the 2011 Mississippi Review Prize in Fiction. She earned her PhD in Creative Writing from Western Michigan University, and has taught creative writing and American literature at WMU and Kalamazoo College. Visit her online at rachelswearingen.com.



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