

“BAIPA is an essential, heart-based community for self-published authors. It provides tremendous value for its members, who are mission-driven and committed to their success.”

— Mike Larsen, cofounder, San Francisco Writers Conference



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“I never would’ve had the confidence to bring my novel to market if it weren’t for the professionals at BAIPA. Great resources, connections and encouragement.”

— Marcia Schaefer, author of *Blue: The Watcher Gods*

WHO WE ARE

BAIPA (Bay Area Independent Publishers Association) is an all-volunteer educational organization dedicated to elevating the art of the independent author-publisher and supporting learning, professionalism, creativity, and community.

Our members include writers, editors, photographers, artists, printers, agents, publicists, web designers, attorneys, small publishers, book designers, illustrators, and audiobook specialists.

Several thousand people have joined BAIPA since its founding in 1979 and members have published more than 2,000 titles, often with the assistance of fellow members who are editors, designers and publishing consultants. Currently, there are approximately 200 active members and 40-80 people attend our meetings each month.

MEETING FORMAT

9:00 am Q&A

9:45 am Break: Networking (in Zoom breakout rooms)

10:00 am Introductions and announcements

10:45 am Break: Networking (in Zoom breakout rooms)

11:00 am Speaker presentation (until 12:15 pm)



WHEN WE MEET

We meet virtually on Zoom the first Saturday of every month (except on holiday weekends). Meetings, which are open to members and the public, feature a lively Q & A session, networking, and presentations on topics such as book cover design, marketing, podcasting, audiobooks, understanding Amazon, getting reviews, video, and more. We also offer shorter workshops on subjects like public speaking, writing killer book blurbs, as well as deeper dives on issues like social media marketing, copyright, fair use, and AI.

In 2024, we will be hosting hybrid in-person/virtual meetings in June and December, at the Key Room, 1385 N. Hamilton Parkway in Novato.

If you're seeking to independently publish a book, for the first time, or the fifth, BAIPA is an indispensable resource and a vibrant, friendly, and helpful community.

MEMBERSHIP

Monthly membership is currently \$10 (with automatic renewal). Meetings are free for members, \$20 for non-members.

For more information, or to join, visit baipa.org