

## Yellow Springs Senior Center

## Guidelines for Ripples Submissions

Ripples, a literary magazine, published by the Yellow Springs Senior Center in the summer, invites submissions from elders in Yellow Springs/Miami Township or authors and photographers whose material features residents of Yellow Springs/Miami Township who are age 55 and over. An artistic photograph or drawing will be selected for the cover; many years the cover has been in black and white but a color cover is also an option. Rules for submissions:

1. Work must be previously unpublished in print (on blogs or Facebook is OK).
2. Word count for articles, essays, memoirs should not exceed 750 words. Word count for fiction should not exceed 1600 words.
3. Poems should not exceed one page of print.
4. Submissions must be typed. If possible, we'd also like an electronic copy although that can be sent after confirmation of entry is accepted. Hard copy submissions will not be returned.
5. Photos may be prints or digital and should be related to your article/memoir/poem. If printed, please write your name and the title of your submission on the back of the picture. Photos are encouraged.
6. Images for the cover and/or illustrations for articles should be related to the focus of the magazine and can be submitted digitally or in print form. Digital submissions should be jpeg images at 300 dpi sized to 8 x 10 inches or smaller.
7. Please include a couple of sentences about yourself or how you related to your submission.
8. A submission form must accompany all entries. If you are emailing your entry, please include the info on the submission form in the body of your email.
9. Multiple submissions are welcome.
10. There is no age requirement for authors/photographers. The work must feature an elder(s) (age 55 and over) connected to Yellow Springs/Miami Township.
11. Permission of the person featured in your submission should be obtained prior to submitting your material.
12. There is no payment for accepted entries. Anticipated readership is 750. All authors whose work is accepted will receive a copy of *Ripples*. A limited number of free copies will be available to the public.
13. Questions can be emailed to [pgeisel@ysseniors.org](mailto:pgeisel@ysseniors.org) or mailed to *Ripples* Committee, YSSC, 227 Xenia Ave., Yellow Springs, OH 45387.