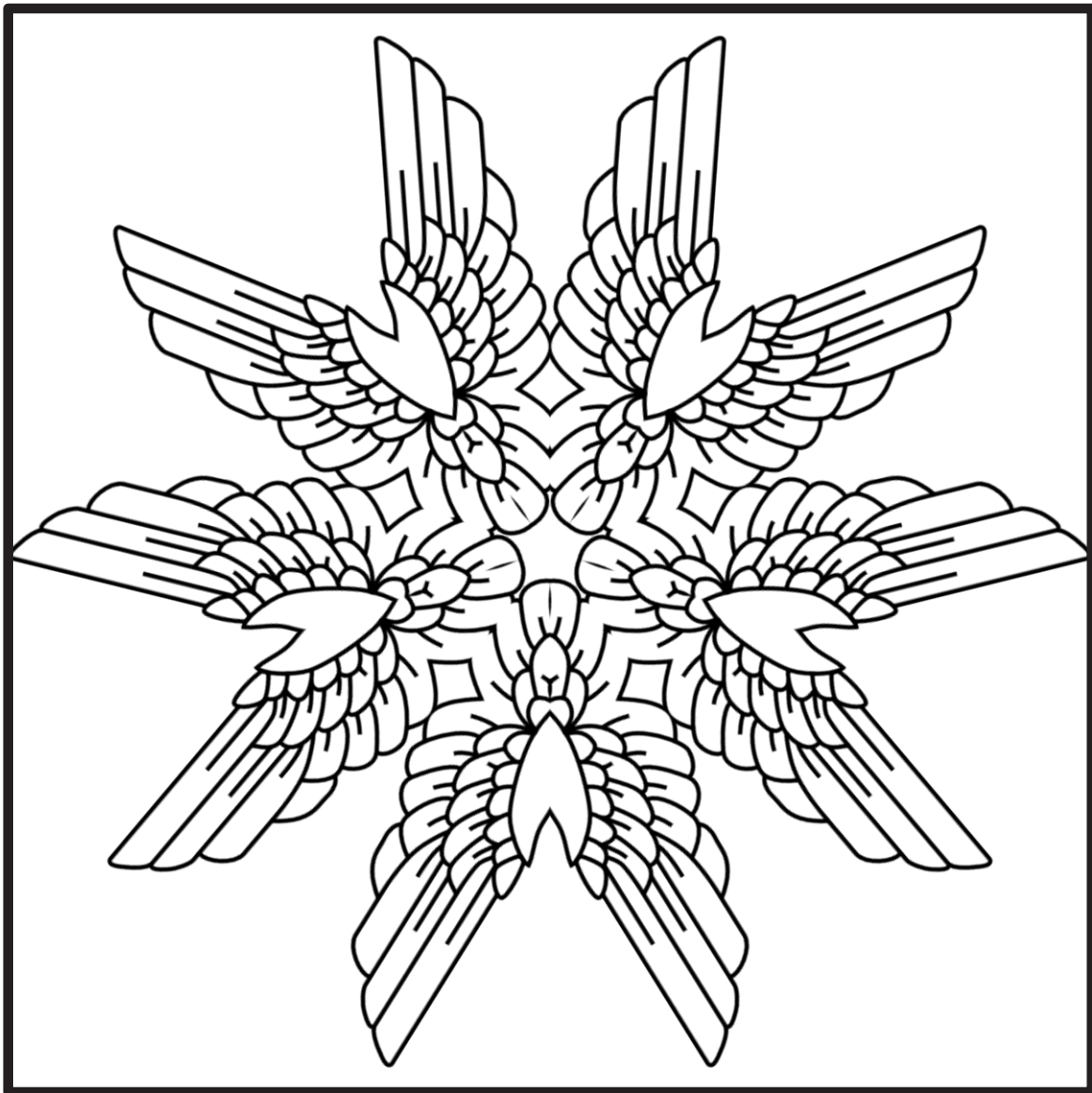


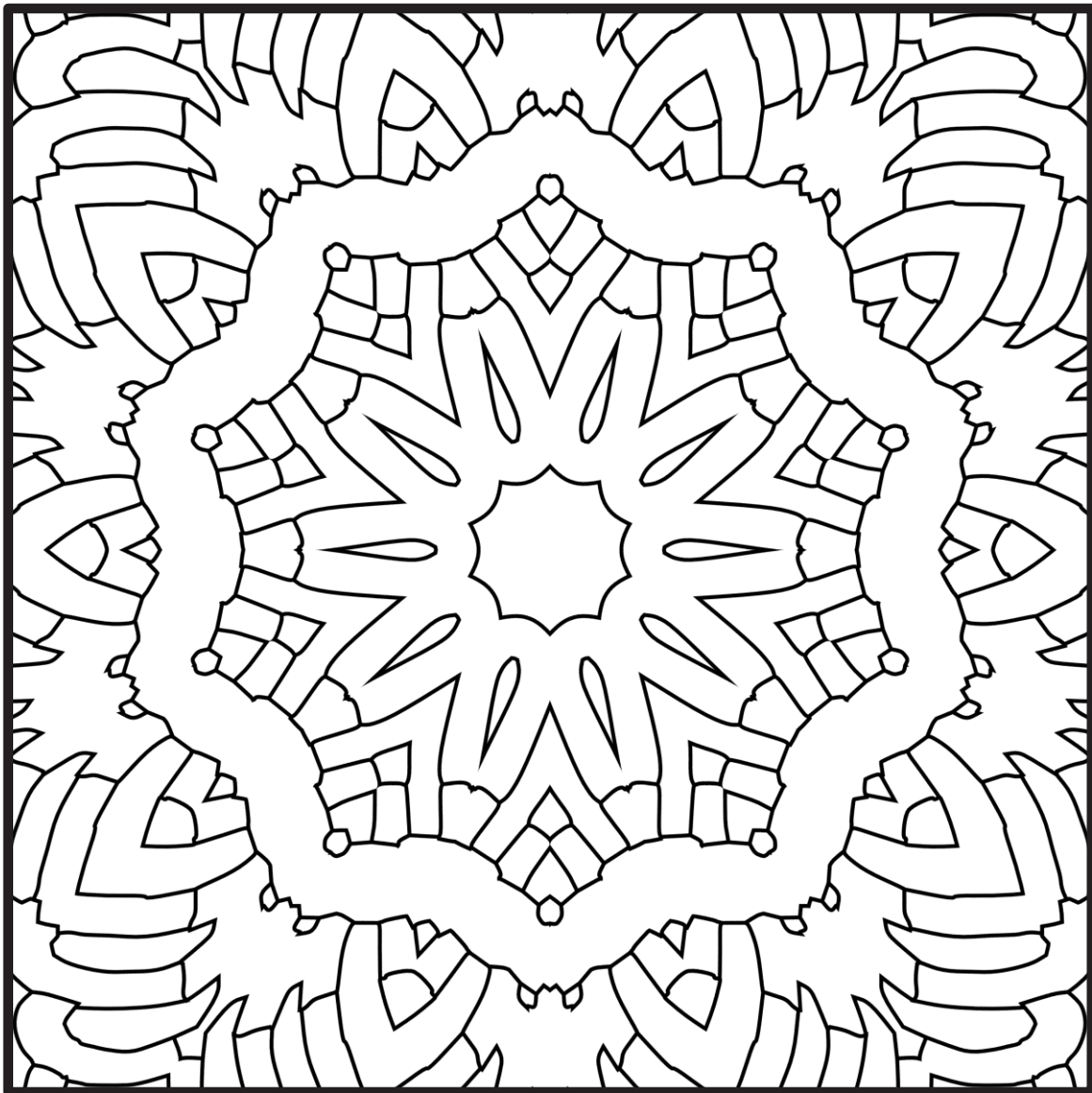
*People on the outside think there's something magical about writing, that you go up in the attic at midnight and cast the bones and come down in the morning with a story, but it isn't like that. You sit in back of the typewriter and you work, and that's all there is to it.*

*Harlan Ellison*



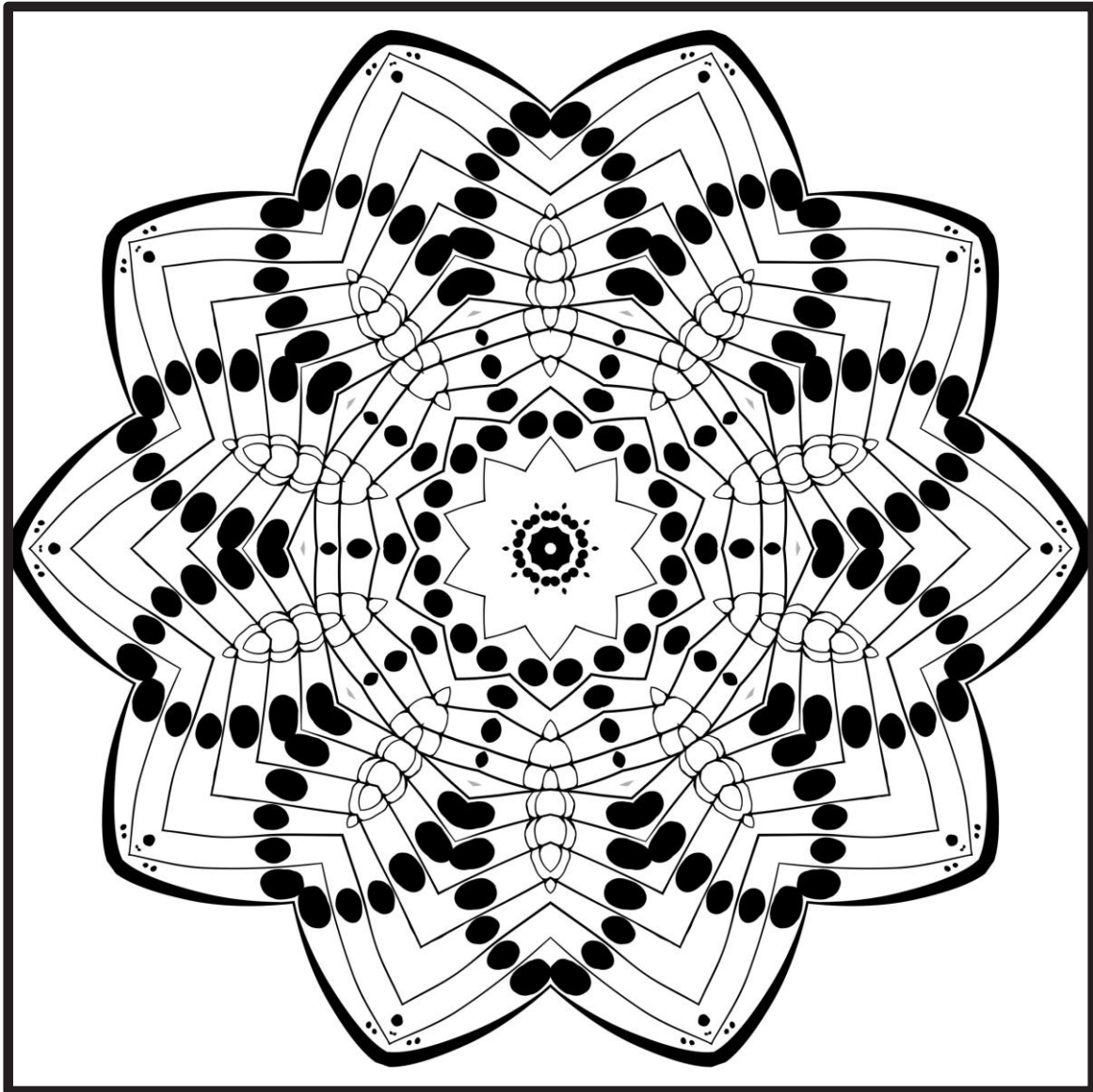
*Just because I write dark things, it doesn't mean that I'm a dark person.  
I'm really not. It just means that I'm a writer.*

*Katherine Ewell*



*Writing is an exploration. You start from nothing and learn as you go.*

*E.L. Doctorow*



*When you're writing, you're conjuring. It's a ritual, and you need to be brave and respectful and sometimes get out of the way of whatever it is that you're inviting into the room.*

*Tom Waits*