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Nikki Bennett is a senior writing major from Heath, OH. She's not sure exactly what she will do next year, but has narrowed it down to Christian ministry or writing, possibly graduate school. Of her poetry, she says, "I write about anything and everything. I enjoy getting ideas for poems and trying them out. After several drafts, some of those ideas are poems. Others of them end up in the Granville Coffee Co. trashcan or lost on my research desk in the library." On the poems in this issue: "Two of them were inspired by my family, but are not true. I was true to the poem, not the story, I guess. 'Leaving Behind Yoknapatawpha' was inspired by Dr. Ramsey's Faulkner seminar. That class was good times; our research group was the best."

Sarah Clapp is a sophomore writing major from Clio, Michigan. She has enjoyed writing for as long as she can remember. She says of her poetry, "I just try to have fun with it. A lot of it gets lost somewhere underneath my dresser, but every once in a while something sticks with me."

Thomas Kern is junior English Major from Perrysburg, Ohio. He enjoys writing, reading, sports, movies, and spending time with his friends.

Sandy Liang is a first-year student from Hilliard, Ohio. She is majoring in biology and admits to "being clumsy during labs, breaking five test tubes, a stirring rod, a watch glass, and a beaker." She also likes dolphins and puppies.

Matt Messmer is a sophomore studio art major from Phoenix, Arizona. Matt can be distinguished by the beret that he regularly wears. This summer he completed an on-campus research project investigating the Greek myth of Perseus and the myth's depiction in art. The project was centered around Matt creating artwork of his own which is based upon the myth. The two pieces shown in this semester's *Exile Magazine* are taken from that body of work. Matt would like to thank professors Ron Abram and Lauren Eisen for their support in that project as well as his current art projects. Other artworks by the artist can be seen in the Bandersnatch coffee house on East Quad which he frequents. For the price of a drink, Matt will sketch a picture for you if asked.

Derek Mong is a very happy young man who will be graduating with an English Writing degree in May. He would like to thank those persons associated with the 2003 Jonathan R. Reynolds' Young Writers' Workshop (peers, pupils and professors alike) for their overall loveliness, writerly poise, and golf-cart cunning. Al Armbrister, you are my hero.

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Meghan Vesper is a junior English writing and History Double major. She lived in Kalamazoo, Michigan for thirteen years before moving to Columbus. When she is not at Whit's Custard with her roommates, she likes to run and be with her family. Meghan thanks Nikki Bennett, her 'poetry buddy,' for her support and friendship.