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BIOGRAPHIES

Britanny ATKINSON is a senior creative writing major. She enjoys sunflowers, honeybees, and hot coffee. Her mantra for life is to be kind.

Jaley BRUURSEMA is a sophomore from Chicago studying Anthropology & Sociology with a minor in Spanish. On campus, you can find her practicing Spanish at the Language & Culture House, making milkshakes at the Bandersnatch, or drinking chai in the Open House. Jaley is very excited to see her work appear in *Exile*.

EB BORDOW is a current sophomore at Denison from Milwaukee, Wisconsin, majoring in an IDM in Language Functionality in Society. EB worked as the mascots Bernie Brewer and the Racing Sausages of the Milwaukee Brewers!

Jordan CARDINALE is a sophomore with a major in English Literature and a minor in Spanish. Within her major, she is concentrating on Medieval and Renaissance British Literature and is learning Old English. She enjoys the outdoors, soccer, ballet, reading, and writing. Jordan is also involved in Kappa Kappa Gamma, HerCampus, TedxDenisonU, is the Vice President of Club Soccer, and works as an ARC Spanish tutor.

Imani CONGDON is a sophomore at Denison University. She has spent much of her life involved in the arts, starting violin and voice training at a very young age, and writing creatively throughout primary school. She majors in both Classical Studies and English, with a Black Studies minor.

Cassandra FLEMING is a Communication Major and Creative Writing minor at Denison. Her two great passions, besides writing, are hedgehogs and Harry Potter. Cassandra would like to thank her family: Marc, Pamela, Rachel Arianna, and Scott, as well as her boyfriend Ben for always supporting her writing, and more importantly putting up with her puns.

Micah FRENKIEL is a sophomore creative writing major and French minor. Outside of her major, she is really interested in film and photography.

Ellen KAJCA is a junior global commerce major. She created the piece, "Woven Dreams of Ecuador" while abroad in Ecuador and was constantly inspired by the nature around her.

Molly KEISMAN is a junior communication major with a concentration in narrative nonfiction writing. She is currently studying abroad in Rabat, Morocco.

Yuliya KLISHCH is a first-year PPE major with a Studio Art minor. Her two great passions are painting and *The Office*. She is originally from Ukraine.

Allison KONECZNY is a senior Psychology major and Creative Writing minor at Denison University. On campus, she is involved in the Doobie, DCA, Big Brothers Big Sisters, and is currently conducting senior research in Psychology. Although her life is quite lovely, Allison has a tendency to write of the dark and disturbing. This may stem from her obsession with Sylvia Plath at the age of 16 that she could never quite shake. Now, Allison spends her days drinking fruit smoothies, taking care of her plants, and reading too many love poems.

Dingxi Dennis LU is a native of Guangzhou, China. Dingxi enjoys long walks, Hong Kong films from the '90s, and cleaning his room. He speaks Mandarin, Cantonese, and English, and writes creatively in English mostly. He double majors in English and philosophy.

Sophia MENCONI is a 19-year-old writer and Washington, D.C. native. Presently, she lives in rural Ohio, where she has accidentally killed two beta fish, and also studies English: Creative Writing and Theatre at Denison University. Her work has previously appeared in *Pulp*, *Literary Orphans*, *Exile*, and *Mangrove*.

Justine MORELLI is a Senior Anthropology Sociology and Women's & Gender Studies double major from Pepperell, Massachusetts. She enjoys going on long runs in the Bio Reserve and writing in her free time. She plans on pursuing a degree in Public Health after graduation.

Josi MILLER is a sophomore from Indianapolis, Indiana studying Anthropology/Sociology and Spanish. She likes to work with oil paints, ceramics, and watercolors, and most of her pieces contain flowers with contrasting and vibrant colors. Her work is mainly experimental that contain elements of nature. In her free time, she enjoys traveling with friends and family, cooking, and playing soccer.

Anna OWENS is currently a Junior at Denison University. She is a studio Art Major pursuing her BFA. She created the pieces, "Patrick," "Sydney," and "John" the Fall of 2017 while studying abroad at the Marchutz School of Fine Art in Aix en Provence France.

Elizabeth POSTEMA is a senior Biology major and English Literature minor. She is deeply in love with art, science, nature, and the intersections between them. On most days, she can be found either birding in the Bioreserve or baking bread in her apartment.

Sam RICE is a junior studying English, Music, and German. He is from Columbus, Ohio and is currently spending a semester in Bath, England. He plans on attending graduate school for Creative Writing, focusing on poetry.

Mattie SHEPARD is a senior Creative Writing major and Spanish minor from Indianapolis, Indiana. She is a fencer and an avid board game player. Her life goal is to open a small independent bookstore.

Alexandra TERLESKY is a sophomore studying English Creative Writing with two minors in French and Studio Art. She has absolutely no idea how those three will combine into a profession, but she's just hoping for the best! To distract herself from worrying too much about it, she partakes in the Fencing Club and listens to her favorite movie scores.

Aidan VAN SUETENDAEL is a senior Creative Writing major and Bluegrass Music minor from Stuart, Florida. When she isn't writing poems, she's playing banjo.

Amber WARDZALA, class of 2021, is an English Creative Writing major. Of Anishinaabe ancestry from White Earth Reservation, she is a resident of Burlington, Wisconsin. In her free time, she reads, writes, fences, practices various art forms, and goes for walks in nature.

Jason **WESSELING** is a senior English literature and political science double major, with a minor in classical studies. He plans to attend law school after graduation and is a member of the men's swimming and diving team.