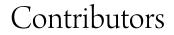


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Felicia Jones is from Draper, Utah and currently a senior at BYU studying social cultural anthropology with a minor in photography. Her interests include cultures and photojournalism. She enjoys interdisciplinary pursuits and would eventually like to use photography as a way of teaching people about different aspects of their own cultures as well as others around the world.

Erik Linton. As a public health master's student at BYU, Erik Linton incorporates cultural, political, and religious themes into his pieces. He believes that countries and borders have been created, policies have been made, books have been written, but women have been largely excluded from the world's history. He believes our future is in the arms of mothers, and wants his art to illustrate the essential influence of women on the individual, the home, the community, the economy, and the world as a whole.

AUDICY LUDDINGTON is finishing up her senior year in the English program at BYU. She served as head of the copy-editing team for this issue. She is pursuing minors in editing and Russian.

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Rachel Payne. Originally from San Diego, Rachel Payne is an English master's student at BYU with an emphasis in rhetoric and composition. She is currently working on her thesis entitled, "Strict Mothers, Nurturing Fathers: Confusing Labels While Parenting Writing Ability." Her other research interests include performative gender constructs in Gaskell's gothic short stories and women in the Renaissance. Rachel teaches courses in writing and rhetoric at BYU and is currently a co-managing editor of AWE.

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Artist Statements

Erik Linton. Scratchboard became increasingly popular in Britain and France in the 19th century as it could be easily photographed, scaled, and reproduced for books and newspaper printing. Scratchboard incorporates a technique similar to engravings done on wood, metal, or linoleum; however, scratchboard etchings are produced by scratching through a thin layer of black India ink to reveal white China clay underneath. Different textures can be produced by using instruments such as knives, needle point, fiber glass, paint, and even steel wool. For these pieces I primarily used knife and needle point tools to produce the textures and light.