



A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

What do you get when you put together a team of five rookies?

Either you'll have a very bad basketball team or, in our case, five artists and writers with a deep desire to produce a literary journal that tries to get to the heart of the creative student mind. Coming in with no preconceived notions of what *LandEscapes* should contain or look like, we felt free to create something that was very much our own, reflecting the attitude of the student work around us.

A.C. Benson once said "all the best stories are but one story in reality - the story of escape." As we compiled the stories, poetry and art featured in these pages, we got a real sense of this feeling of escape. Whether this idea reveals itself in the process of writing, or in the pleasure of reading, whether the escape is into the surreal, a vicarious dip into someone else's reality or a trip to the fringes, art that invokes emotion can lift us out of the everyday and into new places and feelings.

We feel that we have achieved what we set out to do five months ago: to create a student journal, showcasing the shocking, quirky and just plain weird experience that college can be - what the college experience *should* be.

We hope that all this translates to you, the reader, as this journal leaves our hands and is released into yours.

Happy reading, writing and escaping.



