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“I write for the same reason I breathe
– because if I didn’t, I would die.”

Isaac Asimov

letter from the editors

Though we are a magazine with no "theme", this year we noticed some definite patterns. The big questions are always present in Manuscripts, and this year's submissions proved again that buzzwords like love, in their varying degrees, forms and failures, are things that Butler students both question and care deeply about. Specific voices that we may not have heard before also emerged this year. We heard from many women speaking to their experiences in a gendered world. We saw photographs – both literally and via poetic images – that took us to very real places we might not see everyday.

The most important thing to remember when reading this magazine is that this work comes from your peers. The people who sit next to you in class, live down the hall from you and pass you in the parking lots. This is only a sample of the few and the brave that share their thoughts with us. We feel so privileged to show you the talent of fellow Butler students.

We received many submissions but we are limited to print what our staff has selected as the very best of this year. For those who submitted work but didn't find your piece printed, we urge you to submit again. To those who didn't take the opportunity to submit work this year, please don't be intimidated – we firmly believe art is for everyone, and we hope that you will spend time developing your own ideas to share with us next year. We respect every artist's time and passion.

Best Regards,
Kelly Fritz and Christina Lear
Co-Editors 2008-2009

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