

## CONTRIBUTOR NOTES

**VINCE BAUTERS** lives in the middle of America where everything fits together with a little force. There are no cliffs and no oceans. No ways to escape. Like everyone else, he gets by: writing poetry and tying his shoes.

**JOSH BISIG** loves to write. He loves camping. He loves fishing. He loves music. He's in two bands: Atilanta & Calchidas. He doesn't know what to do sometimes. He doesn't believe in any gods, but is religious in that he is thoroughly intrigued with the human condition, and that idea of "purpose." He can never make up his mind. Word.

**DANE BLUE** is a president of Student Government Association at IU South Bend.

**SUSIE BOWER** is an unconventional English major senior. She has been told she is a walking paradox: pushy yet slow. She likes roller coasters, loud music, and HGTV. She lives for her family but wishes Indiana had a warmer climate. Sarcasm rules her world.

**JENNY BUCKSBARG** is currently pursuing her M.A. in English. She plans to become an English professor when she grows up. She has one daughter and lives in Three Oaks, MI. Her hobbies include scrap-booking and of course, reading!

**ERIC DUENEZ** doesn't want to set the world on fire, can't stand this indecision, thanks his family, friends, coworkers, professors, and fellow students, is calling your all-in on a draw, would love to share a Heineken with you counting chemtrails in this twilight, like it was a friend.

**NAOKO FUJIMOTO** is an international student from Nagoya, Japan. Her poems have appeared in *Puerto Del Sol*, *Slipstream*, among others. Her current obsession is a measuring cup. She drinks tea from the measuring cup and most drops spill from the measuring cup; however, she refuses to use a tea cup as a replacement for the measuring cup.

**REBECCA GIBSON** is in her junior year majoring in History and Philosophy. She loves to find and photograph the beauty that is all around us.

**JENNA GENISIC** is a graduate English student and high school English teacher. She lives in New Carlisle with her husband and one-year old son.

**PAUL GUILLAUME** is a BFA Photography student. This past year he was published for his Indiana University Student Planner Cover and note cards for Indiana University South Bend Raclin School of The Arts.

**KAMIKA GUTHRIE** is a 6'0 jamaican female that enjoys 80 degrees and sandy beaches...

**ASHLEY HARTSOUGH**, a double majorer in fine arts and radiology, would still like to be Peter Pan when she grows up.

**JOHN HIGGINS** got lost through a wormhole, and now he's on the other side of the universe, on a ship full of strange alien life, being chased by an insane military commander. Please help, if there's anybody out there who can hear this. He's just looking for a way home.

**AMY PFIFFTERLING-IRONS** has a small farm in Goshen, IN where she resides with her wonderful partner of 8 years and a plethora of furry and feathered animals. She enjoys photography, films, music, art and studying Tibetan Buddhism. Amy is majoring in English Literature and Writing.

**JAKE JONES** is a sophomore at IUSB and an English major. He has been a staff writer and occasional columnist for the IUSB student newspaper the Preface for two years.

CATHERINE KELLY in MA English program.

NICOLE KOROCH is an English major currently residing in the Indiana sub-arctic. She enjoys collecting ex-boyfriends and Extreme Knitting. She also has some cats.

ADRIENNE LATSON is an English major, graduating in May 2009. She is a wife and mother of one. She's resisting the parental habit of adding "ie" to every noun and verb. Her essay is dedicated to her son, Van.

GLENN LYVERS is pursuing a Philosophy major with a minor in writing, "Compono, ergo sum." Glenn is a father of two creative sons, Dusten & Forest Lyvers. Other literary works by Glenn Lyvers can be found online through Associated Content and [www. Lyvers.com](http://www.Lyvers.com). National award-winning works in Photography by Glenn Lyvers can be found online and in print (links appear on [Lyvers.Com](http://Lyvers.Com)).

BRANDI MILLER would love to be a professional student but has bills to pay so she must graduate in December '09. She lives in Mishawaka with her four children and two cats in a 92 year old haunted house. This is her first short story.

TYLER MOORE is an English major. And no, his parents did not name him after Mary Tyler Moore. Don't worry he doesn't lose any sleep over it.

REBECCA PELKY moonlights as an English major. She spends her days cooking for the animals at the zoo while she dreams up poems and stories. Sometimes she even writes them down.

LAURA PIMIENTA lives in South Bend with her three female cats: Luna, Sol and Gatita. Her occupations include teaching, studying, interpreting, translating, working as a doula, and creating pottery. In the summer, you might find her working in her vegetable garden or dancing to Latin rhythms at the local clubs.

**SAMANTHA PLUTE** lives in the bluest house in South Bend, where she feeds her fat cat and ponders over her choice in majors.

**MITCHELL ROBINSON** is majoring in English and plans on being a Super Hero. Possible aliases include: Awesome Man, Mr. Impressive, and New Spider-Man. He is not a nerd.

**RYAN SMITH** is a recent graduate of IUSB with a BA in English. Previously his work has been published by Merge Poetry and more recently in the acclaimed online journal The Pedestal Magazine. This Fall he'll be entering The University of Notre Dame's MFA program.

**JEFF TATAY** lives in Granger Indiana and is an English major at Indiana University South Bend. Jeff is the "fish man" equivalent of the "cat lady." He has 4 aquariums of 25 fish from 3 different sub-species. He donates his time as a member of the writing/proofing team at Granger Community Church. He enjoys traveling, exploring nature, playing sports, reading, writing, photography, and fishing. Jeff loves life, the universe, and everything. He finds inspiration and enlightenment in nature and creation.

**GREGORY WARRELL** is a physics major who lives just within walking distance of Potato Creek State Park, along with his five sisters and two brothers.

**RACHELLE WITTER** likes to read, play the piano, draw, and write. Simultaneously.

**ERICA WOOD** an elementary education major. She enjoys traveling and taking pictures along the way. Her favorite thing to do in the summer is to go body boarding at silver beach. She loves her family, friends, twenty-five goldfish, and her beta Lil Blue.

**MARIAN ZUEHLKE** is working on her Master's project when not being walked by four dogs.