Staff Bios

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Riley Dawson is a junior in Literary Studies and Linguistics from Ankeny, Iowa who hopes to earn a doctorate in British Literature. She contributes to the poetry and fiction boards and hopes you enjoy reading Sketch as much as she enjoyed working with it!

Megan Culp is a junior majoring in English literary studies with a minor in Technical Communications. She enjoys reading, playing the piano, and hanging out with friends.

Matthew Cooper is a senior finishing degrees in marketing and English literature. In his free time he enjoys working on his own creative fiction pieces and hopes to refine his writing skills in grad school.

Kallie Yearick is a sophomore from Waukee, Iowa majoring in Psychology with minors in English and Chinese studies. Her favorite color is pink, and she enjoys shopping and playing with her two adorable cats.

Dana Woolley is a third year MFA student in the Creative Writing and Environment program. Her thesis is a collection of short stories titled Epistemology, which she successfully defended in April of 2012. This is her third and final year as part of the Sketch staff.

Anna Bellegante is a sophomore studying English from Des Moines. She enjoyed reading all the works on the poetry, fiction, and nonfiction boards. Her hobbies include acting, reading, and planning her siblings’ weddings.

Monika Sharma is from the small Iowa town of Nevada. She is a freshman in pre-Graphic Design with a minor in English and works as the visual editor for Sketch. She loves dancing, singing, painting, and all manner of artsy things, as well as skateboarding at 4:00 a.m. around campus.

Caitlin Toppler is a graduate student receiving her endorsements in reading and Chinese. She received her undergraduate degree at ISU in May 2011 in English Education, ESL, and Chinese. She worked on the fiction and poetry boards. She hopes to land a teaching job in the fall of 2012.

Sockwun Phng is a sophomore majoring in English from Malaysia. She is having the time of her life working on the fiction and visual arts boards for Sketch. She enjoys being right.

Kendra Wallace is a junior transfer student with an Accounting major and Spanish minor. She’s taken many art courses along with business and language courses. She loves many forms of art including drawing, photography, poetry, and music.

Jen Paul is in her third year at ISU and is from Midland, MI. She is majoring in English Literature while minoring in German and Journalism and Mass Communication.

Stephanie Swenson is a junior majoring in English and Technical Communications. Her favorite literary genre is the short story and enjoys reading submissions each semester.