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Clara Anderson-Cameron is a sophomore undergraduate student at UND. An English major and French minor, she reads and writes as much as possible. Words have always been her happy place.

Claire Arneson is an English major and a communications minor, who is also pursuing a certificate in writing and editing here at UND. She is set to graduate in the fall of 2023 and hopes to work either as a literary agent, editor, or anything in publishing. She works at the library as a research consultant and at the newspaper as a section editor. When she isn't working, she can be found reading all the books she can, writing in a local coffee shop, or screaming her lungs out at a hockey game.

Starting in fall of 2023, **Amanda Babcock** will be a PhD student in aerospace science. She completed her master's in space studies in May of 2023, focusing on human factors. In addition to her science background, she has an undergraduate degree in English. She has previously worked as a science writer for APS News and for the Department of Energy's Office of Science. She currently works as an analyst for the Department of Homeland Security.

Valkyrie Bradford is a second-year English graduate student, passionate about cheesy literature, bad humor, and her dog and cat that constantly distract her from actually writing.

Ian Ellenson is working for a history major at UND, and this is his final of four years at UND. His epic poem is based on a famed commander of the Seven-Years War, at least for North America. The commander was a veteran of the War of Austrian Succession and one of many Jacobite Rebellions. But like Admiral Nelson, this commander became famous

when he died at a successful campaign that ultimately changed the continent forever. That commander was none other than James Wolfe.

Chad Erickstad is a junior majoring in English with a minor in communications.

Casey Fuller is a PhD student at the University of North Dakota. He somehow finished his course work last fall!

Lala Guse is a doctoral student in UND's College of Education and Human Development and is a member of the Red River Valley Writing Project.

Shelamar Henderson is a nontraditional MSW student, who will graduate December of 2023. She is also the proud mom of a daughter who also attends UND. She loves capturing random photos when something catches her eye.

Aspen Jewkes is a sophomore here at UND, double-majoring in communications and visual arts, with an emphasis in photography, and a minor in art history. She is inspired by the raw beauty of art, and is hoping to pursue a career in a museum after college. She spends her time in the yoga studio, art studio, or at Urban Stampede getting a delicious matcha latte while working on homework.

Nyah Kauders is a junior at the University of North Dakota majoring in Sociology. She is an avid reader and writer. Nyah got her passion for writing from her grandfather, who is a published author, and she hopes to follow in his footsteps one day.

Brenden Kimpe is a junior at UND who is pursuing English education. He enjoys spending his free time reading, playing video games, spending time with roommates, and conversing with his cat, Marceline.

Savana Middleton is majoring in criminal justice and minoring in English, with the hopes of becoming a crime victim advocate. Books, coffee, and her dog are her life's greatest gifts.

Maiken Møller-Andersen is an international student from Norway. Growing up on fairy tales and ghost stories, their writing is heavily inspired by those sleepless nights and curiosity of what might reside in the abandoned house just up the street of their childhood home.

Linnea Nelson's poetry has appeared or is forthcoming in *Cimarron Review*, *Terrain.org*, *Spoon River Poetry Review*, *Rattle*, *Beloit Poetry Journal*, *Seneca Review*, *The Journal*, *South Dakota Review*, and elsewhere. She received a BA in English from North Dakota State University in 2014 and an MFA in creative writing from Oregon State University in 2017. Linnea is a doctoral candidate in educational practice and leadership at UND.

From Grand Forks, ND, **Danika Ogawa** is a junior at UND with a major in English, and a certificate in Creative Writing. Danika has previously published in *Floodwall Literary Magazine*, and is a part of UND Lit Club, where she helps operate their social media. When not reading or writing, you can find Danika teaching dance at Dance Warehouse of ND and playing with her dog Oscar! After graduation, she hopes to work in publishing or editing, and eventually pursue an MFA.

Lucy Paschke is a junior at UND from Faribault, MN. She writes a variety of poetry, mostly in free verse, but has written other types of poetry, as well. In her free time, she likes to read and play video games, which has inspired her own writing. In the future, Lucy would like to publish a book of the various poems she has written.

Mark Patterson is an English Ph.D. student who specializes in medieval literature and gender/queer theory. Originally from rural Texas, he enjoys incorporating elements of the Southern Gothic into his writing as he

explores issues of family, discrimination, and nature.

Aubrey Roemmich is currently an undergraduate student at the University of North Dakota. After her graduation, she hopes to get an MFA in creative writing. She spends her free time reading, writing, and listening to music.

Jaden Rose grew up in a small town in North Dakota. From a young age, she had a love for writing and literature. Since then, she has continued writing poems and short stories in her free time, in hopes of one day publishing a book. Jaden is currently majoring at the University of North Dakota in English education, so she can one day share her love for English with students of her own.

Caitlin Scheresky is a sophomore English major at UND. When she's not reading or writing ideas in her notes app, she's petting every dog she can, drinking her body weight in coffee, or listening to music.

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Katerina Sladko is a student at UND who loves to explore and create. She has many interests that range from photography and art to engineering and linguistics.

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Julia Tietz is a senior with an English major and Spanish minor, along with a certificate in writing and editing. She hopes to one day be an editor for a publishing company and publish her own book of poetry. In her free time, she loves to write poetry about love or mental health, play video games, organize, and try different artistic endeavors.

Elena Uhlenkamp is an English major from a small town in the heart of Minnesota. She enjoys reading and writing fiction, especially fantasy, science fiction, and horror. Besides writing fiction, she likes trying her hand at photography and writing poetry, along with enjoying escape rooms with family and friends. Elena is working on a series that mixes sentient robots with demons from another dimension.

Karissa Wehri is an undergrad at the University of North Dakota. She was raised in rural Minnesota and currently resides in Grand Forks, North Dakota, as she studies for her BA in English. With additional interests in culture and psychology, she attends anthropology and psych classes and includes these humanist themes in her stories.

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