

**Report of Department of English Student Association**

**11 October 2017**

**Events**

* Wildly successful Wine & Cheese on Sept. 25th
* MA/MFA Event on Oct. 6th - panelists discussing options for students on English in graduate and fine arts programs
* 80’ Prom Oct. 18th - come celebrate the visual, musical, and fashion culture of the 1980’s - Arts Lounge 6pm

**Affiliates**

* Tuesday Night Café Theatre is currently showing Caryl Churchill’s “Owners” - a dark comedy of love and death
* TNC has a lot of exciting projects this year and they do really important social and cultural work on campus. They feature feminist, anti-colonialist, and anti-capitalist works. We encourage all students to support them.
* *Slate*, our journal of film and moving images, has a new editor-in-chief - call-out for editors will begin next week.
* Interviews are ongoing for our premier scholarly journal *The Channel*.
* Our VP Journals is trying to obtain funding to launch a website for *The Channel* to make is more accessible for students in our department.
* Interviews are ongoing for associate editors for the *Scrivener Creative Review*. Expect a call for editors soon. It’s a historically entrenched journal in our department. They’ve published Leonard Cohen and Margaret Atwood. Great opportunity for student writers.
* Our other literary magazine The Veg is accepting submissions of poetry, short stories, and black and white photography through October 13th. <https://www.facebook.com/thevegmagazine/?fref=mentions&pnref=story>
* Our VP Journals is also trying to line up funds to create a new interdisciplinary journal that focuses on post-colonial studies. There is a need for such work in our department

**Miscellaneous**

* We’re working with the OSD and McGill Counseling to craft a mental health survey. We’re hoping to identify department-specific issues that we can address as an executive team. We’ll be sure to pass the survey by the Equity Commissioners to ensure it meets equity standards.
* We’re seeking more disclosure training.
* Our Literature Stream Representative, Sanjna Navani, is working on creating a creative writing workshop. If you know anyone interested, please direct them to her!
* We’re reviewing the infrastructure needs of our Theatre program and affiliates, including the English Department Lounge and TNC.
* We’re amending our constitution. Council can expect to see the amendments at the next meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

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