

## Editorial

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Having laid dormant for several seasons, it is our great pride and pleasure to resume the publication of our very own Dalhousie Philosophy undergraduate journal. As Professor Andrew Fenton reminds in his foreword, what follows is a collection of remarkable undergraduate scholarship on topics as diverse as the ontological status of fictional characters to a critical analysis of bondage, among others.

Following the COVID-19 Pandemic, the Dalhousie Undergraduate Philosophy Society (DUPS) receded in activity and has been slowly recovering its momentum.<sup>2</sup> This issue of *Corvus* is the culmination of a Herculean push by members of both the society and the community at large to reanimate the collective project of philosophy outside the regularly scheduled bustle of the department. We hold great pride in both the two memorable Jazz nights, or-

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<sup>2</sup>Due to the dormancy of *Corvus* during the COVID-19 pandemic, we lost continuity of volume numbers. Hence this volume is numbered twenty-five, to mark the year of publication.

chestrated tirelessly by Sonnie Meltzer and Anika Panet-Carino, hosted at the University of King's College Wardroom, as well as our consistent 'Bagel Tuesday' lecture series, featuring both local and guest faculty—most notably, the exceptional turn-out for Gregory Radick's guest lecture on Charles Darwin's analogical thought, who visited us from the University of Leeds.

Behind the scenes we would like again to thank the members of the DUPS executive who made pins, rushed to pick up coffee and bagels, staffed society fairs, organized summer reading workshops, wrestled with banks over access to the society's funds, designed posters, and advertised events all across Dalhousie. Namely, but among others, we are grateful to Sonnie Meltzer, Larissa Wilks, Anika Panet-Carino, Amelia Bidini-Taylor, Ben Baxter, and Julia Chiavegato. In addition, we would like to thank all the faculty members at the department, as well as the tireless attendees and presenters at the departmental colloquia, who make the discipline and lifestyle of philosophy blossom—even amidst Atlantic winters—at Dalhousie.

We hope to have set the ball rolling once again for DUPS to be active and vibrant for years to come. It will be a great success to become a recognizable and constant feature of Dalhousie's academic landscape. Moreover, as funding and public opinion continually shift away from the kind of education that teaches how to think about or to construct simple arguments about problems, philosophy outreach will ever increase in importance. We take comfort in the idea that, now as we are leaving the university, students will, nevertheless, still be having bagels at the departmental lounge on Tuesdays.