

## Creative Writing Club Publishes *The Lantern*, A Literary Journal

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*Brockton, MA* –*The Lantern* is a new literary journal published by Massasoit's Creative Writing Club in Spring 2014. The journal features writing, art, and photography by Massasoit's students, staff and faculty. The project was funded by a Learning in Action (LIA) grant sponsored by Student Life and the Center for Experiential Learning's Vision Grant. The hibernating tradition of a Massasoit Literary Journal was dormant since 2006. Previous journals were published under the names, *Vortex* and *Ouasamequin*.

Erin Harte, Writing Center Coordinator and Creative Writing club advisor oversaw the project. She noted that the students did a tremendous amount of work bringing this journal to publication. The club members chose the name, *the Lantern*, to indicate the literary journal would shine a light on student, staff, and faculty work.

The group then began gathering submissions from students via posters at Brockton and Canton and Facebook, and staff via email, and faculty. One club member presented the project at a recent Humanities Division meeting. They asked for blind submissions, so that the process would be unbiased with no one knowing who wrote, illustrated, or photographed the pieces as they were considered for inclusion.

The cover was a collaborative effort by two student members of the Creative Writing club. Bettina McClymont, the Creative Writing Club President, took the photo (using a lantern borrowed from Massasoit's theater department), and Katie Peloquin designed and edited the photo. Each member of the club played an active role in the submission, editorial, design, and production of this publication and their contributions are listed in the masthead.

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