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Welcome & Introduction

- Adela Pinch, Director, Honors Program
- Cody Walker, Director, Creative Writing Program

Thesis Presentations

Honors Thesis Awards Presentations

- Quinn Academic Excellence Prize
- Quinn Creative Writing Thesis Prize
- Wagner Academic Excellence Prize
- Ralph Williams Award for Outstanding Thesis

Lia Baldori
Bathtub Jesus

Ben Biber
A Few Stories

Kailyn Bondoni
The Inevitable Inevitable

Meghan Chou
We Called It Castle

Joel Danilewitz
Un-Doing time: How Artists Subvert Carceral Space-Time Logics through Multimedia and Writing

Ben Fisher
The Semiotic Sidequest: A Taxonomy of Poetics in Interactive Digital Narrative

Fareah Fysudeen
Ayesha & Mohammed

Dylan Gilbert
Leaky

Cat Groenke
Under the Light

Neeloufar Hematti
Decentering the 1979 Iranian Revolution: Trauma Theory as a Guide to Literature on Twentieth Century Iran

Mina Kambakhsh
This Mad Bell

Emma Kruse
Flames of a River Underground

Deirdre Lee
The Bee's Knees

Angela Martinez
El Movimiento de la Mujer Chicana: The Fight Against Sexism, Racism, and Oppression from Advocacy to Academia

Nina Molina
Recorder

Micah Pollens-Dempsey
Unbelievable Realism: The Impossible Narrators of George Eliot

Isabel Taylor
Trouble in the Garden: Free Will and the Problem of Evil in *Paradise Lost*

Sam Small
Time to Quit

Michael Watkins
Marx, Marcuse, Moten: Sensuous Materialism, Invisible Utopia, and Black Performance

Michael Watkins
Wrinkle

Becca Wyeth
La Doublure

Soraya Zrikem
Learning in the Shadow of 9/11: The Creation of a 'Better-Formed Story' in the Classroom

The **Quinn Thesis Prize** and the **Quinn Academic Excellence Prize** are made possible through contributions of the Quinn Family.

The **Wagner Academic Excellence Prize** and the **Ralph Williams Award for Outstanding Thesis** are named for Mr. John Wagner, who offered early support for the recognition of excellent work by English Department Honors students. At Mr. Wagner's request, the Outstanding Thesis Prize was renamed the Ralph Williams Award for Outstanding Thesis.

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The University of Michigan's English Department is dedicated to four related endeavors: surveying and analyzing the diverse range of texts in the English language; researching and teaching the rich history of that language; fostering exceptional creative as well as critical writing; and studying texts in relation to other cultural phenomena. Our mission as educators is to enable students to become the finest readers and writers of literary texts that they can be. Because those texts in their infinite variety take as their subjects our fellow humans, our histories, and our cultures, we aim in effect to equip our students both to read the world, and write the future with subtlety, acumen and precision.

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