

EDITORS' NOTE

LEF-E is already one year old and we are pleased to present you with our third issue. As always, we want to thank our referees and contributors for making this issue relevant with a selection of engaging and original articles.

We have organized this issue around two main topics: monstrosity and discovery. Under monstrosity, we have included two contrasting pieces. The first article by William Bradley Holley focuses on Féval's vampire, and the second essay by Álvaro Llosa Sanz concerns Cova's land of horrors of *La vorágine*. We have also included two other papers under this category that deal with another kind of monster that is no less threatening: the human monster. The first essay by Liliana Wendorff and J. Thomas Morley is about the unusual killer in Rocaglio's *Abril rojo*, and the second one by Luis I. Prádanos is about the terrorists of Riestra and Menéndez Salmón.

Under the discovery section, we have placed the article by Rebecca M. Stephanis on Peyret's Misiones that focuses on the exploration of unknown territories. We have also added the work of Florian Vauléon on the Enlightenment of Marivaux and Rousseau that constitute a figurative discovery of the mind and the complexity of the human heart. Finally, we have kept an analysis by Marie Cusson for the end. This analysis represents a hybrid mode related to the uncovering of a geographical space (Montreal) and its direct repercussions on the mindset of the two main characters in a short story by Fergusson.

In this third issue, we are also delighted to publish some powerful and enjoyable poems by Madeleine Stratford and Glenda Y. Nieto-Cuebas. In addition, we have begun a section on book reviews. Several more reviews will be published in the Fall 2013 issue.

Finally, we welcome our contributors from Canada and hope that we will have the opportunity to continue publishing works from Canadian scholars. They add a different yet interesting point of view to the literary debate. We hope this will be the beginning of an even more fruitful exchange in our field.

Wishing you a good reading,

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