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Editorial Announcements

his issue of the *Journal of Ancient Egyptian Interconnections* marks the completion of our first year of publishing research papers as well as book and conference announcements and reviews germane to the subject of Egyptian interconnections in the ancient world. As *JAEI* celebrates its inaugural year of publication, we also celebrate the quality and quantity of scholarly material that the journal has already attracted and that has been published in these first four issues.

A number of our authors have commented on the speed of the journal's review and publication process, and we are particularly pleased to have been able to capitalize on this great strength of online digital publication. *JAEI* will continue to build on this strength by enhancing our publication procedure this coming year. While discrete volumes and issues will continue to appear, the publication of material will no longer be delayed by arbitrarily assigned publication dates. Beginning with Volume 2, issues of *JAEI* will appear whenever new material is ready. While the size of individual issues may sometimes be smaller, issues may also appear more frequently so that speed of publication is maximized and new information is made available with the full dispatch that the online format allows.

Many scholars have also commented on the other great strength of the journal's online publication—that of worldwide distribution and access. We believe that these factors have indeed proven the worth of *JAEI*'s online format. This has been reflected in the growth of our institutional and individual subscriptions, which include universities, museums, research centers, and scholars in nations on five continents around the world.

Enhancements will continue to be added to the journal's content. In the past year, we added URL hotlinks to take readers directly to outside reviews, journal and book tables of content, conference announcements, etc., and future issues of *JAEI* will contain a cumulative index of subjects, authors, reviews, and conferences. This index will be updated regularly, thus avoiding the lag of annual (or slower) indexing employed by many traditional print journals.

As we conclude Volume 1, we thank the many scholars who contributed articles, announcements, and reviews this year. We also thank the many others who kindly served as expert reviewers of submitted material, our editorial and production boards, and all those involved in the production and running of the journal. We know that the journal's readers have been well pleased with the content that has been carried so far, and we are happy to affirm that much is already in preparation for *JAEI* Volume 2.

Sincerely, The Editors