

Letter from the Managing Editors:

We are delighted and honored to present the inaugural issue of *Footnotes: A Journal of History*! Our journal represents some of the finest work being produced by our talented graduate and undergraduate students in the UofA History Department. We are so grateful for all of the enduring support as we worked tirelessly to produce this very first volume. We are indebted to countless people who have supported us through this journey, including our professors, colleagues, families, friends, and the historians whose work has inspired us.

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We sincerely hope to continue producing *Footnotes* for many years to come. We welcome you all to join us in this rewarding venture by continuing to support us as mentors, authors, editors and readers!

--Rachel Davis Small & Annie Morpew