

Editor's Letter

Appearing in this fifth volume of the *St Anne's Academic Review* are ten pieces from current or recent postgraduates in the humanities, sciences, and social sciences at St Anne's College, Oxford.

There is much to admire in these pieces, above all that they uniformly strike a delicate balance between accessibility to non-specialists and technical rigour. We have gone beyond interdisciplinarity to include a blend of full-length research articles, research summaries, field reviews, and book and play reviews.

In spite of their thematic and methodological differences, these pieces nonetheless seek to more intimately *understand* their respective objects. This is as true of the pieces peering into the opaque subjectivity of human experience as it is of those wading through the intricate workings of human physiology or the universe. It is remarkable how much they share when considered in this light.

And yet, in deference to their interdisciplinarity, we have foregone journal-wide referencing consistency to maintain conventions unique to the sciences and humanities and social sciences. So you will find slight differences throughout in this respect.

It has been a pleasure working with our editorial staff and most of all with the authors to produce an absorbing academic collection. I hope you also find in it much to lose yourselves in.

Sincerely,
Kevin Busch
Editor in Chief