Letter from the Editor

As Arché enters its fourth year of publication and more entrenched in the world of undergraduate publications, its authors have equally progressed in expanding their horizons and interests. This year’s volume doubts, and then affirms, the real, physical, observable and considered- all questions that interest and draw in aspiring philosophy students today. It is a testament to the growing strength of modern philosophical ideas and the powerful draw our learned discipline still possess.

Matthew Friberg first has us consider Foucault’s notion of personal freedom, an ever growing concern with our ever growing self-aware race. Next Connor McNulty reaffirms our strength in the existence of our world, and specifically, baseballs. Brian Tracz following as equally concerned with possible perception issues, allows us through the lens of philosophy to reaffirm our world view. Then without being facetious or purely academic Dylan Rose enters in for what really brought him to philosophy: the quest for answers, He blends two once much closer disciplines, drawing from his expertise in psychology while grounding it in the work of one of the truly great philosophers, Kant.

I hope this year’s issue does the task of giving a quick survey of currently trending topics and showcasing the bright future represented by the authors in the field. These pages may not be filled with a multitude of recognizable names to a casual student of the subject, but it is an encouraging sign of diverse interests. Arché’s own goal of subjecting its readership to broad and varying philosophical works is well fulfilled this issue.

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