

Welcome to the first online issue of *Idiom*! Please be patient with us as we transition to an on-line only format!

Idiom, NYS TESOL's quarterly publication, will be available only online starting with this issue, Winter 2013/2014. Future issues will incorporate content from *Dialogue*, NYS TESOL's former online publication. This current issue of *Idiom* will not include *Dialogue*. Some of *Dialogue*'s columns will continue in the online version of *Idiom*. *Dialogue*'s final issue was the December 2013 issue. We recognize and thank Christina Quartararo, *Dialogue*'s most recent editor, and her predecessor, Sue Peterson.

Format

Idiom will be an online-only web page format (no more hard copies)

Timeline

The first online edition of *Idiom* is the winter 2013/2014 issue (devoted to articles about Annual Conference presentations)

The spring 2014 issue will be the first "combined" issue. (NB: The *Dialogue* name will no longer be in use.)

The theme will be *Transitions in the ESL classroom*. The deadline for submissions is Feb 14, 2014.

Editorship

Cara Tuzzolino-Werben remains Editor, with editing responsibilities for all themed articles, and overall editorial oversight.

Elizabeth Fonseca becomes Columns Editor, responsible for recurring columns and features.

Content

Idiom will continue to publish feature articles and columns, along with columns from *Dialogue*, and new content. Content will address issues across the field, from K-12 to higher education to adult education, and will expand to include content directly related to administration and advocacy. *Idiom* will be comprised of:

1. Articles (600-900 words) Click here for editorial guidelines: <http://idiom.nystesol.org/guidelines.html>

Idiom will continue to publish themed articles with a foundation in current research. Articles must contain in-text citations as well as a list of references. Writers must use APA formatting.

2. Recurring Columns (500-750 words) Edited by: Elizabeth Fonseca

Book Review (600 words): 4x per year (1 review each issue) (Currently in *Idiom*)

Rotating authors and types of books reviewed. **Click here for editorial guidelines:**

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Culture Notes (750 words): 2x per year (Currently in *Idiom*)

Promising Practices (750 words): 2x per year (Currently in *Idiom*)

Rotating authors; scope expanded to include a broader range of contributions, including those that may be a "Voice from the Classroom" as opposed to a research-based practice. Edited by: Ann Wintergerst:

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The editorial staff is considering other columns for future issues. Please feel free to email us with suggestions:

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