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](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: [http://idiom.nystesol.org/guidelines.html](http://idiom.nystesol.org/guidelines.html)

   - **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: [promisingpractices@idiom.nystesol.org](mailto:promisingpractices@idiom.nystesol.org)

The editorial staff is considering other columns for future issues. Please feel free to email us with suggestions: [editor@idiom.nystesol.org](mailto:editor@idiom.nystesol.org)