

ALANA DUNLOP

PUBLISHED WORK

- **“Allergy Test on the Car Hood” & “At the open mic, watching you”** – poetry, *Eavesdrop Magazine*, January 2025
- **The Big Thing** – fiction (3497 words), *ROOM Magazine*, December 2024
- **Alison** – fiction (2807 words), *Headlight Anthology*, July 2024
- **Fingerboard** – fiction (1889 words), *Maybe Magazine*, March 2024
- **Bridget** – fiction (1793 words), *THIS Magazine*, March 2024
- **Feels Good, Doesn’t Hurt** – poetry chapbook, *Cactus Press*, November 2023
- **Strange Men on the Internet** – fiction (3200 words), *Stanchion Zine*, July 2023
- **Body Limits** – poetry, *Contemporary Verse 2*, January 2023
- **Porn Music** – fiction (1285 words), *Yolk Literary Journal*, September 2022
- **Love Letter to My Organs** – poetry, *Yolk Literary Digital Publication*, April 2021
- **Roach** – poetry, *Yolk Literary Digital Publication*, April 2021
- **bird-killer** – poetry, *The McGill Tribune Creative Supplement*, Fall 2020
- **anti-baby shower** - poetry, *The McGill Tribune Creative Supplement*, Winter 2019
- **body** – poetry, *PACE MAGAZINE*, August 2018
- **plastic gun** – poetry, *The McGill Tribune Creative Supplement*, Fall 2017
- **The Blue Light** – fiction (580 words), *Open Book*, January 2014

NOMINATIONS, AWARDS & GRANTS

Nominee for Pushcart Prize for short story “The Big Thing”	2024
Canada Council for the Arts Explore & Create Grant: \$25,000	2023 – 2024
Runner-Up Award: Ontario Poetry Society Ultra-Short Poetry Contest	2014
First Place: Write Across Ontario Short Story Competition	2013

READINGS & PERFORMANCES

Featured Poet, Nouveau Poem, Montreal QC	December 2024
Featured Writer, Plateau Symposia, Montreal QC	November 2023
Featured Poet, “Egg the Poet” by Yolk Literary, Montreal QC	September 2023
Featured Poet, GroveCampus Poetry Showcase, Montreal QC	July 2022
Featured Writer, Improvisation Festival, Guelph ON	August 2021

EDUCATION

M.A.	Concordia University, Master of Arts in English Literature & Creative Writing	In progress
B.A. & Sc.	McGill University, First Class Honours in Cognitive Science Minor in English Literature Awards: Dean’s Honour List, Dean’s Interdisciplinary Research Award	2021

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Headlight Anthology, <i>Montreal, QC</i> Poetry Editor	September 2024 – Present
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- Read, review, rank and provide comments on poetry submissions for Headlight Anthology's issue number 26; work with poets to edit their poems for publication and to ensure the highest level of craft
- Manage the poetry selection team; plan selection meetings, facilitate discussions, and provide the Editor-in-Chief with the list of selected poems for publication

Encore Poetry Project, *Montreal, QC*

Prose Editor

April 2024 – Present

- Read, review and rank prose submissions for Encore Poetry Project's print anthology; provide constructive feedback and collaborate with authors to edit their prose for print publication

The Raise-An-Artist Project, *Georgetown, ON*

Editor

January 2022 – Present

- Provide editing and creative consultation for writer Jeannette Lorito's creative works
- Edited 6 full-length poetry and mixed genre collections and 1 full-length play; provided constructive feedback on all aspects of the work including syntax, style, and content

Independent Research-Creation Project Funded by Canada Council

October 2023 – 2024

- Awarded \$25,000 by Canada Council for the Arts to research the significance of queer relationships between women and write a short story collection on the topic; in the allotted granting year, I drafted a 60,000-word manuscript composed of 12 stories
- Conducted primary source research (interviewing subjects in and around Montreal, consulting archives) and secondary source research to inform short story formation

Yolk Literary, *Montreal, QC*

Secondary Reader

August 2023 – October 2023

- Read over 250 poetry submissions for Yolk's print Issue 3.2 and worked with the selection committee and Poetry Editor to select poems for publication

Centaurs Summer Arts Camp, *Dunnville, ON*

Workshop Facilitator & Camp Counsellor

June – August 2018

- Planned and facilitated creative writing workshops for groups of children ages 8-18; used games, prompts, collaborative writing activities, and discussion-based questions to engage and inspire youth

Mcsway Poetry Collective, *Montreal, QC*

President

September 2017 – April 2021

- Supervised a team of students to plan poetry share sessions and writing workshops for the Montreal community; made contact and built relationships with members of Montreal's literary scene
- Created and spearheaded *WAY, SHAPE, FORM*, a collaborative art show for artists and writers in Montreal that was successful for two consecutive years

WORKSHOPS & MENTORSHIP

Quebec Writer's Federation Fiction Workshop with Padma Viswanathan, *Montreal, QC*

Participant

January – March 2024

Quebec Writer's Federation Mentorship with H. Felix Chau Bradley, *Montreal, QC*

Mentee

February – June 2023