



Creatives of York 2015

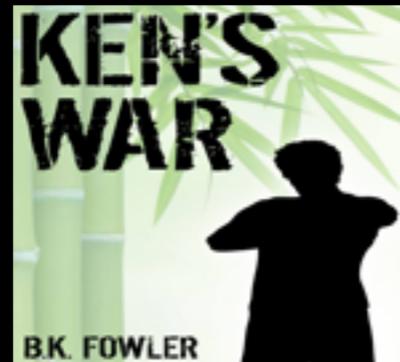


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Introduction

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Eric D. Torres (Devix)
Musician

“Being a successful artist means putting in full potential to reach whichever goal you’ve set out to reach. Not necessarily reaching that goal, because no artist has yet. We always want more, so as long as you’re on the right path and actively moving forward, you’re being successful.”

Devix is a 21 year old singer-songwriter. He performs as a solo artist but creates the effect of a full band by using a loop station to perpetuate the sound of drums and guitars playing while he sings. In addition to performing in several venues throughout York, he has been featured on live television as the FOX43 “Music Monday” artist and has been named one of Fly Magazine’s “Sunday Concert Picks.” Devix describes his [music](#) as “ambient, dreamy, and technical,” and he infuses many of his songs with a blue, mellow tone. When Devix is not practicing or performing, he works as a salesman at Menchey Music Service, one of York’s popular music shops.



Emily White
Graphic Design, Fine Art, &
Papercutting (Scherenschnitte)

“I try to hold a lot of hedonistic ideologies in my life, so I try to convey a stylized beauty in whatever I make. I try to make work that is pleasant to look at. Something that people want to have in their homes.”

Emily White’s works, including her beautifully intricate papercutting pieces, have been featured in art galleries and purchased as décor for homes throughout York. She finds inspiration for her pieces by studying the works of fellow paper artists such as David Fair and Helen Musselwhite and illustrators like Noelle Stevenson and Junji Ito. Emily has an affinity for “staggering eyes, thick, curved lines, and bold outlines,” and she notes that “contrast, layers, and patience” are a common thread within her works. In addition to painting, drawing, and papercutting, Emily is a graphic design major at the Pennsylvania College of Art and Design and a barista at Starbucks.

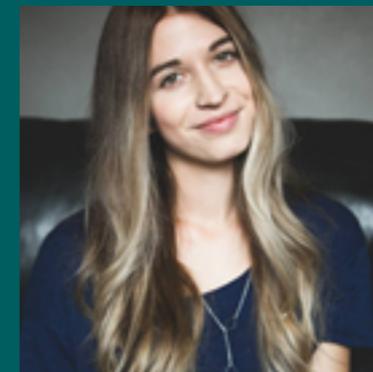
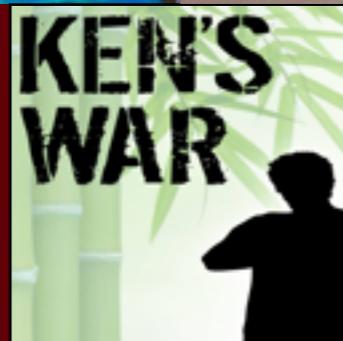
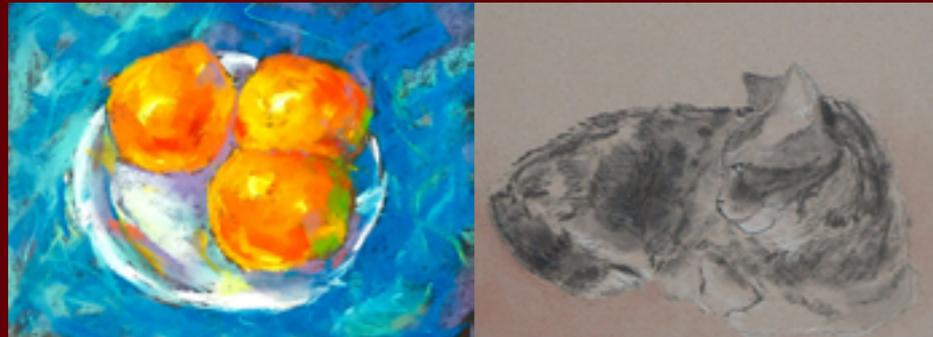




Beth Fowler
Pastel Paintings, Charcoal,
Ink Sketches, & Writing

“I’d like people to see beauty and to look at something differently because of how I drew or composed my art.”

Beth is both a talented artist and a published author. Her pieces have been exhibited throughout York, and her novel [Ken’s War](#) has been hailed by readers as “a heady brew of high action and clashing cultures [that] entices teenage boys to read.” Beth describes her works as “fresh, energetic, and engaging,” and she aims to both express important ideas and to touch her readers/viewers with her works. She draws inspiration from a variety of sources including the Creative Arts ministry at her church, writer’s magazines, and her teacher at the York Art Association. Beth’s artistic inclination has not only allowed her to excel as an artist and writer, but it has led to her success as a home stager for York residents looking to put their homes on the market.



Alyssa Eckhart
Music, Photography, &
Graphic Design

“I want my photography to not only provide professional, beautiful images for people, but also to give them an experience of being themselves in front of the camera and loving who they are. It’s important that I capture the essence of who that person is and celebrate it.”

Alyssa is the lead singer and keyboardist for the [Josiah and Alyssa Eckhart Band](#), a band she formed with her brother. She writes and produces songs that are “deep, vulnerable, and transforming,” and that capture her life’s experiences. Her band plans to release their EP this coming year. Alyssa also runs a successful photography business, [Alyssa Eckhart Photography & Film](#), in which she captures nature’s beauty and the “pure, genuine, and joyful” moments of York’s families through all the seasons of life. A talented graphic designer, Alyssa plans to begin selling simple and beautifully configured cards in conjunction with her photography business in the coming months.

