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About

Hearts & Shields is a **for-charity** free digital fanzine dedicated to Noelle from the game Genshin Impact.

Schedule

Project launch	: 28 August
Interest check	: 5 September – 5 October
Contributor apps	: 25 October – 9 December
Emails sent	: 16 December
Last day to enter server	: 23 December
Pitches	: 30 December
1st check in	: 5 February
2nd check in	: 12 March
3rd check in	: 19 April
Final submissions	: 25 May
Formatting period	: TBA
Release	: TBA

This schedule might be subject to change.

Zine Specifications

Number of pages TBD

Page Artists

A5 (148 mm x 210 mm), RGB, 300 dpi.

Pick one option below:

- One full page art
- One spread page art
- One comic spanning between two to four pages
- One spot art for a written piece



Merch Artists

Digital merch, all in PNG and 300 dpi.

Pick one option below:

- Emotes (128x128px)
- Icons (500x500)
- Desktop Wallpaper (1920x1080)
- Others

Writers

Google Doc submissions.

Pick one option below:

- Traditional fics: one fic of 1k–2.5k words
- Non-traditional fics such as epistolary, journal entries, etc.: one or several pieces to be decided after acceptance

General Guidelines

1. Contributors must be over 16 years of age.
2. Contributors must have or be willing to create a Discord account, as that's where most if not all of the zine-related communication will ensue.
3. Contributors are expected to create a new piece of fanwork for the zine.
4. Contributors are not allowed to share their work outside of the server until the zine is released. This includes your work in progress.
5. Contributors will be expected to submit three check-ins. Let a mod know if you need an extension. Consistent failure to communicate and show progress updates may result in removal from the project.
6. Contributors found to have been engaging in activities including but not limited to pedophilia, sexism, racism, and harassment in any form will be removed from the project.
7. AI-generated content has no place in this zine. Contributors found to have been creating or supporting AI-generated content will be removed from the project.



Submission Guidelines

The following guidelines are for writers and artists interested in joining the project. Please make sure to read through them carefully before applying to ensure that you're following the requirements for each application.

Page Artists

- Please submit a link with 3 to 5 of your best pieces
- A portfolio is encouraged but not necessary.
- Google Drive is strongly preferred, but any portfolio that shows your pieces in an easy-to-view manner is acceptable! Please do not submit general social media links.
- For comic artists: at least one comic sample should be included.

Merch Artists

- Please submit a link with 3 to 5 of your best pieces. Actual product photos are not necessary, but are encouraged where available!
- A portfolio is encouraged but not necessary.
- Google Drive is strongly preferred, but any portfolio that shows your pieces in an easy-to-view manner is acceptable! Please do not submit general social media links.

Writers

- Please submit a link with 3 to 5 of your best pieces. If you are interested in contributing non-fic works, please submit at least one example of what you intend to write.
- Each piece must be below 2k words, and at least one piece must be a standalone short story.
- A portfolio is encouraged but not necessary.
- Google Drive is strongly preferred, but any portfolio that allows us to find and read your pieces easily is acceptable! Please do not submit general social media links.



Moderators



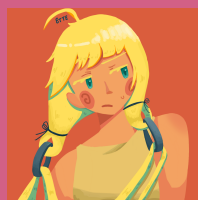
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Art & Graphics Mod

(she/her)

hii, I decided I wanted to make a noelle zine because I couldn't find an existing project. She was my first main, and is one of my favourite characters from genshin ^^

♡ Artist for BLOCKBUSTER: A Zenless Zone Zero Zine and Bon Voyage!: A Neuvifuri in Asia Zine.



Etteee | [Carrd](#) | [AO3](#)

Writing & Organization Mod

(he/she)

Hullo! I'm Ette. I like to think I'm a catalyst through which stories write themselves.

♡ Writing mod for Tokihanatsu: A Mononoke Zine, Incandescent: A Magical Girl Zine, Sleight of Hand: A Genshin Magicians Zine, One and Only: An Ayaitto Zine, and many more

♡ Writing contributor to 15+ fanzines



Kari | [Bluesky](#) | [Carrd](#) | [AO3](#)

Finance Mod

(she/her)

Local Cryo collector and Knights of Favonius groupie. Would sell you to the Tsaritsa for one corn chip.

♡ You can check her zine experience [HERE!](#)



George | [Bluesky](#) | [Carrd](#)

Formatting Mod

(xe/they/she)

Hi I'm George and I love Noelle with all my heart and soul I would literally die for her I would—



- ♥ Le Printemps: A Clorivia Zine (head, formatting, socials)
- ♥ Quintessence: A Genshin Archons Zine (formatting)
- ♥ Sprout's Rebirth: A Nahida & Wanderer Zine (formatting)



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Social Media Mod

(he/they)

Tar-tar-taglia, lover of Snezhnaya's queen~ 🎵 I sing, as they drag me into the bottomless pit of Genshin quitters

- ♥ Elythria: A Phaidei Zine (SFW Writer)

FAQs

What is a zine?

A zine or a fanzine is an unofficial collection of fan works including fanart and fanfiction based on a preexisting work. In this case, *Hearts & Shields* is based on Genshin Impact.

Will this zine be free or paid?

This zine will be free to download with an optional donation to charity.

The digital bundle including the merch will be pay-what-you-want with a minimum of \$5-10 (TBA).

What is the rating of this zine?

The rating of this zine is safe for work (SFW).

Is there an age limit for contributors and moderators?

All moderators and contributors must be 16+ by the time contributor applications close!

Do you need prior zine experience to apply?

No, zine experience is not necessary and will not affect your application.

Can a contributor apply for more than one role?



You can apply to more than one role and may be assigned to one or more roles depending on interest numbers.

How will contributors be compensated?

All contributors will receive a PDF of the completed zine at minimum, along with any digital goods produced.

Will this zine include other characters?

Yes, creators are allowed to include other characters as long as the focus remains on Noelle.

Will this zine include ships?

This zine will only contain general content. Please refrain from explicitly depicting ships/pairings in your zine pieces.

Are Alternate Universes (AUs) allowed?

Alternative Universes (AUs), canon compliance, and canon divergence are permitted in the zine.

Will you allow content of younger or older Noelle?

Sure! As long as all content is **SFW**.

Other inquiries can be directed to our socials. This FAQ will be updated accordingly.