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No More Falling: a RWBY Bumbleby Fanzine is a for-charity fanzine celebrating Blake Belladonna and Yang Xiao Long's relationship and journey throughout the series.

Last updated: 15 Feb 2025 Best viewed on desktop!

Current Status: Interest Check OPEN until March 14!

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SCHEDULE

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Date	Event
Feb 1	Zine Launch
Feb 14 - Mar 14	Interest Check
Mar 21 - Apr 11	Interest Check results + Mod Apps
Apr 12 - Apr 18	Mod Apps results
Apr 25 - May 25	Contributor Applications
May 26 - May 31	Contributor Applications results
Jun 7	Server join deadline

Jun 14 Pitches

Jul 12 Check-in 1

Aug 9 Check-in 2

Sep 6 Check-in 3

Sep 27 Final submissions

Oct 25 - Nov 25 Preorders!

MODERATORS

Star ♦ she/they

Head + Graphics + Formatting Mod Socials: <u>twitter</u> | <u>tumblr</u> | <u>bluesky</u> | <u>ao3</u>

Eren * any pronouns

Art + Discord Server Mod Socials: twitter | instagram

TK → they/he

Organisation + Production Mod

Socials: twitter

Want to join our team? Apply to be an Art, Writer, Graphics, Social Media, Discord Server, Finance, Production or Shipping Mod in our Mod Applications on Mar 21 - Apr 11!

Moderator Expectations

Art Mod (1-2 Mods)

Art Mod(s) will be in charge of handling our artist contributors and ensuring that they meet deadlines/check-ins and that their pieces properly fit the templates. They will also provide feedback to the artists when requested. You must be at least 16 years of age for this role.

Writer Mod (1-3 Mods)

Writer Mod(s) will be in charge of handling our writer contributors and ensuring that they meet deadlines/check-ins and that their pieces fit within

the allotted word count. They will also help beta the fics in the zine. You must be at least 16 years of age for this role.

Graphics Mod (1-3 Mods)

Graphics Mod(s) will be working closely with the Social Media Mod(s) to create graphics to post on the zine's social media. You must be able to work quickly and on short notice. You also must be at least 16 years of age for this role.

Social Media Mod (1-3 Mods)

Social Media Mod(s) will be working closely with the Graphics Mod(s) to post graphics in a timely manner to the zine's social media. You must be available to answer any questions posted to the zine's Neospring and keep a regular posting schedule. You also must be at least 16 years of age for this role.

Discord Server Mod (1-2 Mods)

Discord Server Mod(s) will be in charge of managing the zine's discord server, ensuring that all members keep to the zine and server's rules and making sure the bots work as intended. You must be available regularly on discord to ensure the server runs smoothly. You also must be at least 16 years of age for this role.

Finance Mod (1-2 Mods)

Finance Mod(s) will be co-managing the zine's PayPal account, as well as being in charge of budgeting and keeping track of expenses. Experience is required to apply for this role. You also must be at least 18 years of age for this role.

Production Mod (1 Mod)

Production Mod(s) will be in charge of handling our merch contributors and ensuring that they meet deadlines/check-ins and that their pieces properly fit the templates. They will also be co-managing the zine's PayPal account and be responsible for finding manufacturers for the zine and each merch item. Experience is required to apply for this role. You also must be at least 18 years of age for this role.

Shipping Mod (1-2 Mods)

Shipping Mod(s) will be co-managing the zine's PayPal account, as well as being in charge of receiving, inspecting, and packaging all zine products for shipment. Experience is required to apply for this role. You also must be at least 18 years of age for this role.

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ZINE SPECIFICATIONS

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Zine Booklet

- > 5.5 x 8.5 inches
- > Perfect binding (if enough interest for physical zine is met)
- > ~ 150 pages
- > ~ 40-50 contributors
 - Min 3 Writers, max 9
 - Min 3 Spot Artists, max 9
 - 1 Cover Artist
 - TBD Page Artists
 - TBD Merch Artists

Zine Content

This zine will be canon-focused, and will include content from all 9 volumes of the main series. Contributors are free to include canon-inspired scenes or personal interpretations of their dynamic.

APPLICATIONS

General Guidelines

Age of applicants

All applicants must be at least 16 years old at the time of applications to apply. There will be no exceptions.

Link accessibility

If you're submitting your samples though Drive, make sure the link is accessible to others. If your link is inaccessible, your application is disqualified. We suggest checking your links via an incognito tab!

Content tags

Tag your work if there is any non-SFW content in your portfolio; gore, violence, etc. Sexual content will not be allowed as this is a SFW zine.

Multiple positions

Applicants are allowed to apply for multiple positions, but may only be accepted for 1-2 positions.

RWBY samples

It is encouraged, but not required for you to submit at least 1 Bumbleby / RWBY work in your application so we can have a clear vision of your place in our zine.

Cover, Page & Spot Artists

- Make sure to follow our general requirements above.
- > Submit 3 pieces of your best work that reflects the role you're applying for.
- Include a portfolio if you have one.
- > Backgrounds are highly encouraged, but not required.
- > Please only submit completed pieces, WIPs will not be considered.
 - Spot Artist applicants must keep in mind when applying that they will be collaborating with a Writer.

Merch Artists

- Make sure to follow our general requirements above.
- > Submit 3 pieces of your best work that reflects the role you're applying for.
- Include a portfolio if you have one.
- You may include digital designs of merchandise and/or photos of your physical merch/mock-ups if you have any, though it is not required for you to have prior experience in merch design.

Writers

- Make sure to follow our general requirements above.
- Submit 3 pieces of your best work with a maximum word count of 9k across all 3 pieces that reflects the role you're applying for.
 - These may be excerpted from longer pieces.
- Include a portfolio if you have one.
- At least 1 sample must be a completed piece.
- Writer applicants must keep in mind when applying that they will be collaborating with a Spot Artist.

CONTRIBUTOR INFO

General Guidelines

Originality & Content

All works must be original and created specifically for the zine. Plagiarism and AI generated works are strictly prohibited. Works must also keep to the zine's SFW rating and not have harmful themes or imagery such as racism, sexism, homophobia, etc.

Quality

All art must be clean, polished and in high-resolution (300 DPI minimum for printed works, 72 DPI for digital works). Writing should be edited for grammar, spelling and clarity. You will be assisted by the moderators should there need to be any improvements made.

Deadlines

You must be able to meet all deadlines for drafts, check-ins and final submissions. Extensions may be granted if asked in advance.

Confidentiality

You are not allowed to share WIPs, drafts or completed works with anyone outside of the zine's discord server until the mods grant permission to do so.

Communication & Conduct

You must regularly update the mods on your progress, and let them know if you are facing any challenges or delays in the creation process. You must also keep a respectful and professional attitude when communicating with mods or fellow contributors. Any contributors who display a disrespectful attitude towards others will be kicked from the zine.

Contributor Expectations

Cover Artist

Create the front and back cover for the zine. This is a full, connected spread of art.

Page Artists

Create 1 full page of art for the zine.

Merch Artists

Design 2-3 pieces of merch.

Spot Artists

Work with **1-2 writers** to create **3-5 small illustrations** to accompany each piece of writing.

Writers

Create 1 self-contained story of 2-3k words.

FAQ

What is a fanzine?

A Fanzine is a collection of various fanworks of art and writing, usually based on a theme, combined into a booklet.

What is this zine about?

This zine is about the RWBY characters Blake and Yang's relationship throughout the series.

What is the rating for this zine?

No More Falling is rated SFW!

Will this zine be physical or digital?

This zine will be digital for now, but if enough interest is garnered in the Interest Check we will have a physical zine as well!

Will there be merch?

Digital merch will be included for now, but if enough interest is garnered in the Interest Check we will have physical merch as well!

Are other characters allowed in this zine?

Yes, as long as your piece is centred on Blake and Yang, other characters included on the side are fine.

Will Alternate Universe content be allowed?

As it stands the zine will stick to canon content, canon compliant and canon divergent content.

Who is allowed to apply as a contributor?

Anybody above the age of 16 at the time of applications will be allowed to apply.

Will I need a Discord account?

Yes. Discord will be our main form of communication. If you do not have one and intend to apply you will need to make one.

Can I apply for more than one role?

You are free to, but keep in mind you may not be accepted for multiple roles.

Can I submit an older piece for this zine?

No, your work for this zine must be previously unpublished and brand new. However, you do not need to create new works for your applications unless you wish to do so.

How will the contributors be compensated?

Our plan currently is to provide the digital zine and merch to contributors for free! Should interest and sales allow, we aim to get all contributors and moderators a free full bundle + shipping!

What happens to zine pieces after the project ends?

Contributors retain full ownership over their piece and retain the right to do as they wish with their piece after the zine concludes! We only ask that contributors do not share or post their pieces with anyone outside of the zine project until after the mods grant permission to do so.

Where will the zine's profits go?

In the event that we only make a digital and merch, all profits will go towards a charity chosen jointly by the mods and contributors. In the event that we make a physical zine and merch, all profits will be channeled solely towards production costs. This includes compensating our contributors. Leftover profits will be donated to a charity.

I have a question that isn't answered here!

Please send us a message on our Neospring and we'll answer it as soon as possible!

Thank you for reading our Info Doc!