

Contributor Expectations (Please read before applying!)

All Contributors

- Must be 18+ by time of application. If an accepted contributor is a minor, they will immediately be dismissed from the zine.
- Complete all check-ins and deadlines on time, submit finished piece on time
- Use their own skills to complete work. Use of AI will ban you from the zine.
- Communicate with mods when messaged (through Discord or email). Failure to reply within 1 week of a mod message(direct message)/missing a check-in is grounds for dismissal from the zine.
- Be flexible and open to mod feedback on their piece (given at each check-in).
- Keep zine pieces secret, even WIPs (works in progress/sketches/outlines/etc.).
 - Piece sharing only allowed on zine server
 - Pieces can be posted publicly AFTER zine is completed with Mod permission (usually during Leftover sales)

Theme

- All pieces must feature at least one SVSSS character as a skin creature.
- All characters must be from SVSSS (no original characters)
- All ships are welcome*
 - *except for incest and underage, sorry (Disciple Binghe thirsting after Shen Qingqiu is fine)
 - Zine rating is SFW (no explicit sex, gore, etc.)**
 - **except for skin creature-presenting nipples

Zine Specs

- 5.5inx8.5in perfect bound main zine
- 6inx9in or 8.5inx11in spiral side zine

Page Artists

- 1 full-color illustration with semi- to fully rendered background
- Piece must be exclusive to the zine (never published or uploaded online)
 - Specific skin creature designs are NOT zine-exclusive (for example, if you like drawing Skinzun as a sphynx cat, then you can do that as long as it's not the exact same pose/expression as any other published/posted art)

Comic Artists

- 1 2-page spread full-color comic illustration
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Merch Artists

- 2 pieces of full color and rendered merch (flat and non-flat)
- Flat merch options: Bookmark*, 5x7 prints*, die-cut and sticker sheet
- non-Flat merch options: 2 piece acrylic charm*, enamel pin, acrylic standee*
 - *may be double-sided (two different designs, one per side)
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Spot Artists*

- *not a separate position. Open to Page, Comic, and Merch Artists IN ADDITION TO their assigned piece(s)
- Want to collaborate with a writer? Here's your chance; pair up with a writer to illustrate parts of their fic!
- Requirements: One ¼ to ⅓ title page art (required), at least 4-5 mini illustrations that will be alongside the fic (optional and variable depending on what kind of art you and your writer decide on; be creative!). Examples will be provided for inspiration and ideas.
- Spot Artist schedule will be offset from main zine pieces. Main zine pieces are due in early August, sport art is due in mid-August).
- Being a spot artist is OPTIONAL.

Writers

- 1.5k-2k (maximum) wordcount fic
- Fic must be exclusive to the zine (never published or uploaded online)
- No outside betas. Writer Mod will beta fics at each check-in.
- Must adhere to zine's writing styling (American spelling and punctuation style, consistent writing of character names, no italicizing Chinese words, etc.)

Crafters

For Crafters, we are considering anyone who does physical crafts such as fiber arts (knitting, crochet), sewing, and even things like 3D printing, lasercutting, or anything else you can show people how to do.

The idea is a DIY side zine with tips, tricks, and patterns for designing and making your own skin creatures! (Some people asked for plushies on the Interest Check but plushies are very expensive and logistically do not work for this type of project). This is what we came up with instead!

- 1 brand new or heavily modified pattern/instructions for a physical craft
- Writing: clear instructions with ideas/tips for variations (different materials/designs/etc.)
 - Materials list (Needle size, fabric type, etc.)
- Visuals:
 - accompanying instructions (actual pictures or *really good drawings*)
 - Progress pictures and final finished product (actual picture)
- If doing non-traditional crafts (3D printing, lasercutting, etc.)

- Provide files (online)
 - Materials list
- Instructions with in-progress screenshots
- Ideas/tips for variations (how to customize piece)
- Accessibility (ideally, free programs)

Compensation

- The Mod team CANNOT GUARANTEE ANY ZINE COMPENSATION.
- The zine is p4p (pay for production) and bundles will be priced a little over production costs.
- Any extra funds will fund contributor copies as follows:*
 - Minimum: Every contributor receives a copy of their piece for free (if you are a writer/page artist/comic artist, you get a zine; merch artists get two copies of every merch piece they did). Contributors who want full bundles pay production price and shipping.
 - Average: Every contributor receives a full bundle but has to pay shipping.
 - Ideal: Every contributor receives a full bundle with free shipping.
 - *If a particular level of compensation is not fully funded, the funds will be divided equitably among contributors (so international contributors are not unfairly burdened by 'weaker' national currency)
- In the (rare) event we make enough to fully fund every contributor and there is extra, it will go to charity.