

NOW AND THEN: A BEATLES ZINE



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About:

Now and Then: A Beatles Zine is a for-charity collection of Beatles' songs in SFW fan works.

Schedule:

Announcement	June 25, 2025
Interest Check	July 1-24, 2025
Contributor Applications	August 1-31, 2025
Results Sent	September 10, 2025

Pitches Due	September 20, 2025
Check-in #1	October 20, 2025
Check-in #2	November 20, 2025
Check-in #3	December 20, 2025
Final Submission	January 20, 2026
Pre-orders (tentative)	February 10 - March 10, 2026
Shipping	TBD

Zine Specifics (subject to change depending on results of the interest check):

- Digital and physical perfect bound book
- Digital and physical merch
- 40+ full-colored pages
- English language
- For-charity (Donating to the UNICEF for Gaza Relief)

Content (subject to change depending on results of the interest check):

- 14 artists, 5 merch artists, 4 writers
- Accepting international applicants
- Accepting canon-verse only

Mod Team

<u>Mod Role</u>	<u>Name (Pronouns)</u>	<u>Contact</u>
Head & Finance Mod/Formatting & Graphics Mod	Jessi (he/they)	<u>Twitter</u>
Art & Merch Mod	Maili (she/her)	<u>Twitter</u>

Writing Mod	Bee (they/them)	Carrd
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Contributor Expectations:

- General
 - Contributors are expected to carefully review the schedule and confirm that it works for them before applying and/or accepting an invitation
 - Contributors are expected to abide by the rules of the discord server
 - Contributors are expected to communicate with the mods should there be any questions, comments, or concerns
 - Contributors are expected to create a new, full and complete piece(s) (in respect to their position) for the zine
 - Collaborations between page artists and writers are encouraged!
- Page Artists
 - Create a fully colored, rendered piece for this zine. Depending on the pitch process this may be a cover, a single page, a 2-page spread, or a 2-page comic
- Merch Artists
 - Create at least one, at max three Beatles-themed merch items for the zine (merch items vary)
- Writers
 - Create a full and complete Beatles fic up to 3k words

Application Guidelines:

- Page Artists
 - 3 samples
 - 1/3 samples must have a background (not a plain backdrop)
 - Samples should showcase an understanding of anatomy, composition, lighting, color, framing, and perspective
 - Optional portfolio
 - Optional pitches
 - Please provide the links to your pieces. Google Drive links (300 dpi; CMYK; saved as a .psd or .pdf) are preferred, but you may also use Twitter, Instagram, Pinterest, or whichever site you prefer so long as the images are clear. If using a sharing site like Google Drive, **please do not forget to ensure sharing is enabled so we can view your work!**

- While Beatles samples are **not required**, please do include one if you have one!
- Merch Artists
 - 3-5 samples
 - Physical and digital merch samples are accepted
 - Samples should showcase an understanding of anatomy, composition, lighting, color, framing, and perspective
 - Optional portfolio
 - Optional pitches
 - Please provide the links to your pieces. Google Drive links (300 dpi; CMYK; saved as a .psd or .pdf) are preferred, but you may also use Twitter, Instagram, Pinterest, or whichever site you prefer so long as the images are clear. If using a sharing site like Google Drive, **please do not forget to ensure sharing is enabled so we can view your work!**
 - While Beatles samples are **not required**, please do include one if you have one!
- Writers
 - 3 samples
 - Word count maximum of 3k per sample (9k total combined) - **please do not exceed**
 - At least one must be a one-shot (under 3k)
 - Excerpts from longer fics are accepted
 - Samples will be evaluated on (and therefore should showcase) your best pacing, storylines, characterization, and style
 - Samples must include trigger warnings if necessary
 - Option portfolio
 - Optional pitches
 - Links accepted: Google Docs (**please don't forget to ensure sharing is enabled so we can view your work!**), AO3, Wattpad, FF.net, Tumblr posts. Fics at these links are still required to adhere to the word count maximums
 - While Beatles samples are **not required**, please do include one if you have one!

FAQ:

Q: What is a Zine?

A: A zine, or fan magazine, is an unofficial collection of art and written works compiled in book form.

Q: Can I participate if I'm under 18?

A: Yes, this is a SFW zine that is accepting applicants under 18.

Q: Can I apply for multiple roles?

A: Yes, but you can only be accepted for one.

Q: Will you be sending rejection emails as well as acceptance?

A: We will send out acceptance, rejection, and pinch hitter emails simultaneously. If you do not receive your email within 24 hours of the scheduled date, feel free to email us directly at nowandthenzine9@gmail.com or send us a message on [Twitter](#), [Tumblr](#), [BlueSky](#), or [Instagram](#). Any changes/delays made to the schedule will be communicated through all our social media!

Q: What is the zine theme?

A: The theme of this zine is the Beatles eras in songs. We plan on having each contributor pick a Beatles song to focus on for their piece, and will organize the zine in the various eras of the Beatles.

Q: What are pitches?

A: A pitch would be a short description of a piece you would like to create for this zine. The general rule in our contributor applications form is this: write an idea down and indicate what kind of piece it is. Furthermore, pitches do not affect your chances of being accepted into the zine as we know that ideas can change over time. You may give us concrete or vague pitches.

Q: Are we allowed to share our work?

A: We ask that contributors please keep zine pieces private until the aftersales and the head moderators have given the okay signal.

Q: Are we allowed to submit traced work?

A: We do not accept plagiarized, stolen, traced, or recolored works made by someone else. If submitted work is found to be any of the above, then the contributor will be removed from the zine or application pool.

Q: Where are you shipping from?

A: We will be shipping from the US! We ship internationally and are accepting group orders. However, we will not likely be able to ship to Ukraine or Russia due to current circumstances.

Q: How does a for-charity zine work?

A: Once we break-even (and are able to pay for all contributors who want one to have a full zine bundle shipped to them), we will be donating the remaining proceeds to UNICEF for Gaza Relief.

Q: Why are the application guidelines the way they are?

A: We want to select applicants as fairly as possible. Please consult the application section for more details.