

ASH DIETRICH

Interviews Editor

“Ash Dietrich is a genderless queer kid. They’re a writer. They’re a mess. They’re super original. You’re welcome. (This is their twitter bio to prove their originality.)”

Ash Dietrich is in their final year as a Fiction Writing student at Columbia. They’ve been a freelance writer and editor since 2013 and are happy to now be an editor for *Hair Trigger*. In their free time, they like to paint their face while drinking hot cocoa because multitasking is in their blood.

What is your favorite book?

I don’t think I have a ride or die favorite book, but *Nevada* by Imogen Binnie was the last book I made myself read in sections so it wouldn’t end too quickly.

Briefly describe how you got into writing.

Honestly, I have no clue. I never really did things as a kid, but I found out at an early age that I’m an incredibly believable liar because I was the “quiet, smart kid,” so why would I be lying. I decided to use those powers for good, sort of.

What’s the last show you binge-watched?

Smallville. No shame. I should be done by Halloween.

Which fictional character do you wish was your best friend?

Clark Kent, but the Tom Welling version. (Refer to question 3)

Are you a coffee, tea, or juice person? Why?

Lately, I’ve been on a coffee and hot cocoa combo kick. Maybe an Irish coffee if I’m feelin’ feisty.

What do you wish you were doing right now?

I always wish I was napping in a literal dogpile. With huskies. Or pitbulls. Or corgis. Actually, replace every “or” with “and.” Also, replace the breeds with literally any other. I wouldn’t mind.

What’s your ideal reading (or writing) spot?

Train writing is my jam. On my phone, tucked into a corner, thumbs on fire, music blaring through my headphones to keep my brain from pouring out of my ears. It’s very effective.

Whose music are you listening to these days?

Early-mid 2000s Warped Tour hits/Showtunes/Lindsey Stirling/but more likely than not, podcasts about True Crime, murder, dogs, advice that should never be followed, Dungeons&Dragons, and Disney Channel Original Movies.

Name one random fact about yourself.

Two-thirds of what pours out of my mouth is an inside joke, with myself, that I may not even understand. Also, I’m a tea and protein bar hoarder. Also also, I have a birthmark on one of my irises. Didn’t even know that was possible. Also also also, I clearly don’t follow rules because I gave 4 facts.