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Editor’s Note

This spring 2020 issue of Chimères is centered around our spring 2019 conference theme, “Ideologies and Individuals,” but includes work from contributors having presented at both our spring 2019 conference and our spring 2018 conference, “Appetites and Aversions.” In this edition, you will find articles that explore topics ranging from the political to the gastronomical, from the individual to the collective, and, as always, on profoundly human experiences, reaching from the East to the West.

We are delighted to have expanded our book review section and look forward to welcoming even more contributions from a wide range of contributors in the years and publications to come.

We would like to sincerely thank all of those who came from near and far to present at our last two conferences, as well as our readers who have taken the time to thoroughly read and consider the content that makes up our journal. Your collective efforts and contributions have made our publication stronger and have ensured that it remains a literary journal of the highest quality.

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*Toute l’équipe Chimères vous souhaite une bonne lecture.*

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