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**NEW PHILLY-BASED HORROR ZINE LAUNCHES**

Philadelphia, Pa.—*Tainted Tea* magazine is a new quarterly horror e-zine published by Goddard College student Shane R. Toogood and Temple University alumna Kris Fossett.

Publishing short stories, narrative poems, movie reviews and visual art of the macabre, this non-profit zine will publish its inaugural issue before Halloween.

The magazine's blog, [taintedtea.blogspot.com](http://taintedtea.blogspot.com), is a comprehensive site that encourages authors and readers to interact. It provides them with critical thinking, writing prompts and fun within the horror genre. The site will also coincide with the zine with media such as videos and music to go with selected writing pieces.

"We wanted to produce something for fans of all things horror," says Toogood. "I studied short horror fiction my first semester at Goddard and found that most horror magazines are extremely contrived and strict in their submission guidelines. Kris and I wanted to adhere to all sub-genres of horror."

The editors do have submission guidelines, but Toogood says that he and Fossett are open to almost anything. "Except *Twilight*," says Fossett.

Although the editors cannot offer compensation for published work, they say that when they were journalism students at Delaware County Community College their professor told them to work for bylines. And that is what they can guarantee. Eventually with the funds from the purchased zines—\$1.24 a copy—they would like to pay their contributors.

"If Kris and I really like your work or see potential in a story, we will offer semi-extensive comments on rejected work to encourage authors (per their permission) to polish and resubmit his or her work," says Toogood.

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