

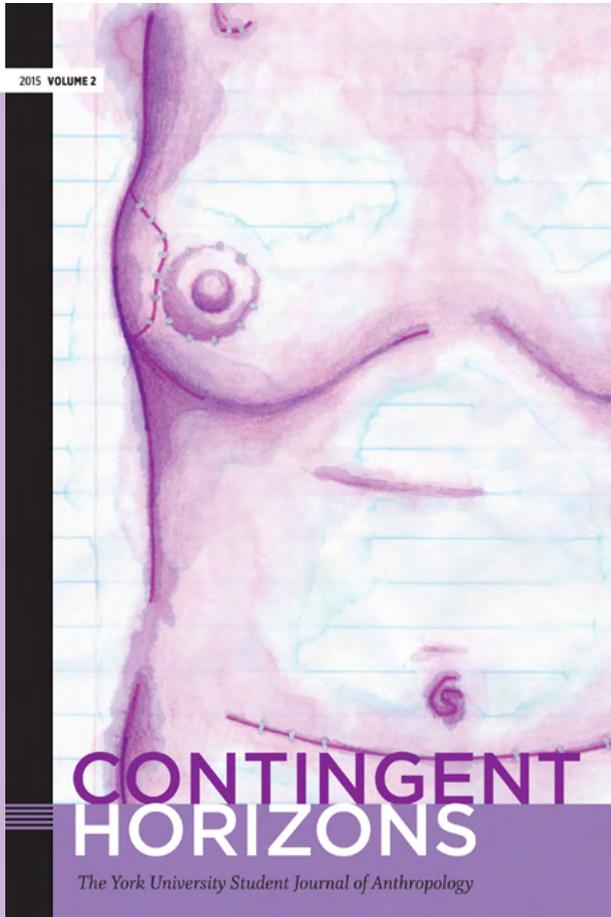
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Tracing her scars with her fingertips she told me her story.

In that moment of trust, my astonishment gave way
to compassion, acceptance, courage, and love.

We saw ourselves in each other and that connection
became a powerful space for growth and change.

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Contingent Horizons' website is the keystone of the journal. Not only does it host published articles, but it also offers a safe space for respectful discussions that extend the life of scholarly materials and debates beyond publication.

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To our peer reviewers who have been an integral part of this journal, thank you for your dedication and hard work, whether it be facing the uncertainties of labor disruptions at York University or the vagaries of electronic communication across the world.

Contingent Horizons will return next year. The editorial collective will continue to seek submissions that challenge and enrich our expectations of what anthropological inquiry can be, whether through original and unexpected theoretical constructs, innovative methodological approaches, collaborative approaches to research and writing, or alternative forms of presenting ethnography in word, image, and sound.

We hope to have your voices and inquisitive minds join us on this journey.

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If you are interested in being part of next year's edition of *Contingent Horizons* please stay tuned for our next call for papers in October 2015.

We hope to receive yet more submissions that will push the limits of the discipline towards new and ever-expanding horizons.

We will also be seeking peer reviewers whose knowledge and expertise can help advance the strength of the papers we publish.

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