

ABOUT THE AUTHORS

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Lelde Ilzina '10 hails from Riga, Latvia, and also Luxembourg, Italy, and the United States. She is essentially a global citizen! Her interests lie in the political science discipline, more specifically human rights and humanitarianism. After working in South Africa for a children's rights organization in the summer of 2009, she has decided to focus her future career on working for the well-being and rights of children. Future plans may involve graduate school.

Mishal Khan '10 is an International Studies and Political Science major with a concentration in human rights and humanitarianism. Originally from Pakistan and Australia, she spent spring semester at Macalester carrying out the first part of her Independent Research project. Throughout her academic career, Mishal has been interested in studying the relationship between Islam and human rights. Consequently, she is extending her Maastricht research project into an Honors Thesis in the International Studies Department. Mishal plans to attend law school and possibly specialize in international human rights law.

Elizabeth A. Larson '10 is a senior International Studies major, minoring in Environmental Studies and concentrating in human rights and humanitarianism as well as global citizenship. She spent her junior year studying at the University of Cape Town in South Africa and Maastricht University in the Netherlands. Her main academic interest is the intersection between human rights and environmental sustainability, specifically water quality and availability in vulnerable communities. She is also a captain of the Macalester Mock Trial team. Elizabeth plans to attend law school and work towards a human right to water.

Yanchuan Liu '10 is from Beijing, Peoples Republic of China. He spent the last two years of high school in Minnesota, where he not only discovered Macalester College but also developed an interest in International Studies and Political Science. In the spring of

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