

ENGL1101

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Brittany Scott's Portfolio	
How I Fell in Love	Biography
Diary of My Love	Introductory Reflective Essay
For the Love of Art: When Words Fail	Revised Essay 1
For the Love of Speech: When Only Words Prevail	Revised Essay 2
A Heart Transplant	Exhibit of Revision Process
Sharing the Love	Exhibit of Peer Review Process
For the Love of Creation	Wild Card

Brittany Scott's ePortfolio is notable for its innovative use of experimental forms and sophisticated personal voice, and perhaps most important, for the strong sense of unity created through her choice of central theme and use of document design.

**Unity:** Brittany's Biography, entitled "How I Fell in Love," establishes her theme for the entire portfolio. She has chosen to give each exhibit a title related to the theme; she even re-titled her second essay, which is about President Obama's acceptance speech, to fit it smoothly into the thematic sequence. She uses color, typeface, and a consistent page design to create visual connections among the various artifacts; her portfolio also achieves coherence through black-and-white photographs of the author that illustrate each exhibit and chart, in a light-hearted way, her change of attitude over the course of English 1101. Finally, in the Revision Exhibit, Brittany carefully selects examples of problems with diction to illustrate the discussion of that topic in her IRE and explains them in a clear manner by using the language of the Program Grading Rubric and *St. Martin's Handbook*. Brittany chose to use PDF format for her documents in order to ensure perfect display in the web interface.

**Innovation:** Most striking is the fact that Brittany recasts the Introductory Reflective Essay as a series of diary entries; the Peer Review Exhibit, which chronicles her relationship with classmate "August Mayhem," is also framed unusually, as a narrative that is illustrated with images of the author and of the classmate's chosen image for her essay.

**Voice:** Brittany's portfolio communicates well with real readers through its authoritative, yet highly personal voice. The portfolio creates a consistent sense of her as a writer and as an

individual blessed with intelligence and a sense of humor. Finally, Brittany produced a special Wild Card to fit with her theme: a YouTube video about her poetry that she narrates in her own voice. You can see and listen to the video at YouTube as “Brittany Scott’s Wild Card.”