

## Contributors

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**Craig J. Saper**’s most recent book on *Auteur-Publishers: Small Press Practices as Avant-Garde Writing* (December 2025) has a chapter on Something Else Press that would have benefited from Nicole Woods’ 2026 book reviewed in this issue. Saper’s recent co-edited and extensively annotated and introduced *Readies for Bob Brown’s Machine* (2021) would have benefited from Woods’ discussion of Knowles’ staccato cadences, book-objects activated by reader-viewers, and the computational poetry that looks both back to the historical avant-garde’s reading machines and to the future of conceptual and computational writing and publishing experiments.

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