Hello and welcome to Romanticism On the Net. The first issue of this new electronic journal will be launched in a couple of months. In the meantime, here is an outline of the purpose of this new international journal entirely devoted to Romantic Studies. Why a new electronic journal? With the expansion of electronic media and the increasing success of the Internet, I think it is time for an electronic journal entirely devoted to Romantic Studies to be created. There are already a few journals developed by departments of English across the world but none so far dedicated to the Romantic Period only. The Internet is a source of information for academic purpose as the latest edition of the MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers (4th edition, 1995) shows since it explains how to cite material from electronic journals. What purpose? My purpose is similar to that of a "conventional" journal in offering articles and reviews but the limitless amount of space in the Internet allows me to advertise other journals or conferences, as well as graduate courses, or offer some links to other Romantic-related sites on the World Wide Web, such as the on-line database of Romantic Poetry. One does not have the limitations imposed by publishers when working with the Internet. Any questions? For any enquiries or suggestions, send me an e-mail:

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The page also has information about and links to conferences, journals (including Blake), sites related to romanticism, and associations. The URL is http://info.ox.ac.uk:80/~scat0385/.

A new Web page for Blake/An Illustrated Quarterly is under construction. It will probably contain subscription information, a current table of contents, and late-breaking news items, as well as links to other Blake-related sites. Stay tuned for further developments.

The summer issue of Blake has been much delayed. We've changed printers and Patricia Neill had to learn an entirely new way of getting the files to the printer. The new printer and procedures should produce faster turnaround and higher quality. Thank you for your patience. The summer, fall and winter issues will all be out shortly.