Janan Scott ’13 was born in Nicosia, Cyprus and has lived a somewhat nomadic existence with roots scattered in many places including Pakistan, Kenya, France, and Baltimore. She is happiest in the woods and particularly enjoys making lentil soup, eating salad, and keeping word lists. She believes that spending time upside down is rejuvenating; she knows that family is precious, friendship is rare, and that poetry is an act of surrender. A senior Poetry Concentrator and African-American studies major at Smith, Janan has been fortunate to work as an intern at the Poetry Center for two years, where she has cultivated meaningful relationships with visiting poets, students, faculty members, staff, and poetry-loving folks from the community. She is feeling ready to graduate and is very excited for the future, knows deeply that the universe will, somehow, deliver.

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