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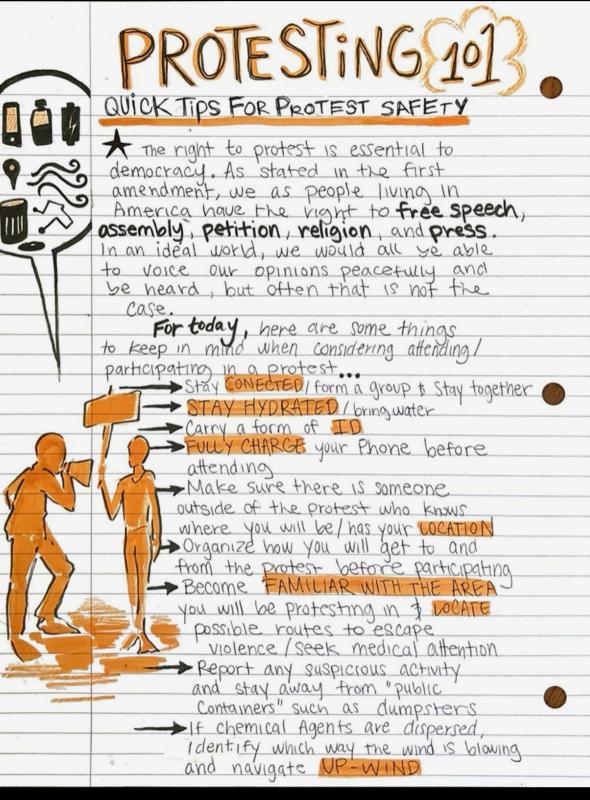
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The March On
Washington in
1963 drew
250,000
protestors. This
was the first
protest of its
size in the
United States.











## PROTESTING 101

Though the government allows peaceful protests, restrictions can be legally imposed on protestors, determining where and how they are allowed to protest. This means that the government cannot shut down a protest due to it's subject matter. Additionally, the first Amendment right protects the right to protest but does not extend to protests that become violent or damage public property.

#### HISTORIC AMERICAN PROTESTS

The seneca Falls convention of 1848: A group of about 300 women assembled in New York to advocate for womens rights. They believed that all of the rights outlined in the constitution should apply to women as well as men. The convention set forth the women's suffrage movement.

#### The Triangle Shirtwaist Fire Protests of 1911:

This protest was set in motion to advocate for safer working conditions after a fire at the Triangle Shirtwaist factory that killed 146 workers. This protest was successful as it prompted a reform in safety protocols and working hours.

#### The Civil Rights movement Marches in Alabama 1963:

Black Students in Birmingham Alabama organised a school walk out to protest segregation. During the protest, students were attacked by the police. which caused an uproar of upset Americans across the country. This protest contributed to the end of segregation by capturing the attention of president John F. Kennedy.



## PROTESTING 101

National March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights 1979:

The march was set for 1978 when the Organizer Harvey Milk was assassinated. The march was then moved to October 14, 1979, 10 years, after. the stonewall uprising. Poet Allen Ginsberg spoke at the march and protestors spoke with members of Congress to advocate for gay rights.

SICALLY UNABLE Donate to the cause

- Sign petitions

Call / Send messages to your elected officials

- educate yourself

Vote





PAYTON



SHE/HER COFFEE ORDER: BLACK OR ANYTHING NOT TOO SWEET!

\* I HAVE A TWIN BROTHER \* I HAD BRIGHT BLUE HAIR FOR 5 YEARS \* COLLECT OLD FILM CAMERAS.

IG:@PRAY4.PAY

**EVE**GUITARIST/SINGER



SHE/HER COFFEE ORDER: ICED W OATMILK

\* I LOVE REPTILES
\* I LIKE FILLING MY
CAR TRUNK WITH STRANGE
OBJECTS
\* I HAVE A FEAR THAT
IM GOING TO GET LOST
IN THE WOODS SO I TRY

TO LEARN SKILLS THAT

WILL HELP PREPARE ME

IG:@EVEL.BURNETT

#### GIANNA BASS/VOCALS



SHE/HER COFFEE ORDER: ICED, BROWN SUGAR, ANYTHING ESPRESSO \* I LOVE LAYING IN

GRASS ALSO TALKING ABOUT FILM PHOTOGRAPHY AND ROOTS OF

IG: @PAPER.STREETS

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#### INTERVIEWER: SARIA

payton: It's pretly good, It's black granna: yeah.

eve: Really good!

describe your music to a bruise, that is a little bit indigo, how would you describe it?

G: A brusse? How do you wanny start + Mis?

E: 1 feel like it would help a won heal from the inside out cause all wounds are in our head. Because if you like fall, and break your

arm and you can see the bone

you can mentally like stop your self from feeling that pain.

And if you like do that, your bruise will heal

and healing starts from the mind. 5: Do you think indigo bruse's music reinforces that?

G: It Reinforces the bruise I would say, Not Really heal it?

E: I would say it makes the beuise change colors, like you know how some brusses are

16: @ Indigo . bruise

kind of yellow? Like it kind of turns E: And this one (payton), met into a more satisfying Purple-blue. her in spanish class. Yeah biznise. Canse when you get like hurt I didn't even speak to her sometimes it harts but when you at all. But I saw ner from look down you're like "damn, that's a distance and I thought "she's Really oool." like a satisfying scrape, that's a satisfying bruise. So it makes sure P: I thought Eve and GIANNA that it's like a satisfying one, like were the coolest people at it's a good one. So it makes ince, my school and I bowed like youire in pain, but like, don't down to them every single WORRY It's a good one. 5: Is it like flashing colors like E: I feel like you were jeb the sheep from minecraft the coolest person. P: Nah, I think It was you E: Yes! Omg I love minecraft. E: You are very cool. Yes I feel like it's very like G: When Eve referenced dinner bone where it's upside Payton I thought it was down a little bit, a little shaken Some other masc lesbian UP but it is flashing colors at our school so I had like seb. a different vibe of who was E: What?! I didn't know that. 5: You guys seem like a very tight. Payton didn't WIEW RERE (RELEASE) JULY 15th)

KNOW a thing. P: But I met you IN EURO. ST OF THE IMPER-G: Yeah we were THE REST OF THE IMPER-STUDYING FOR WACH HERE (RELEASES JULY 15th) the AP test, WALL HERE Knit band, how and when did You meet each other as friends? wernen here: G: I met this one (Eve) in the womb, No -P: KINDER GARDEN . E: IN GIRT SCOUTS. P. Yeah I ( IN gIRI sconts. didn't take it. E: The year before I started school I saw her and I thought "damy, G: But yeah, she's kind of a freak. then we star -G: Yeah I fold her I was alleryn ted playing AND PRACTICING to oranges and she told me that they were allergic to cereal IN Paytons garage. and I believed that to this day. E: Yeah, IN girl sconts. I thought gird sconts was going to be like boy scouts where you like make fires, but it wasn't. G: Yeah...

#### **Julietta Paola** ig: @lljuliettall

Tetropall - Julietta Paolas 7 It's a game of tethepall around you. 53 Strike a match, it's spinning round, 43 LM always disposes.

I can't get my two feet down, is un venching to retaliate is desperation takes a hold on me.

Can't you see! my wrists me battered & & borrused toging to get to you.

. Can't you see? note pust going in cilles I til we can't play no more

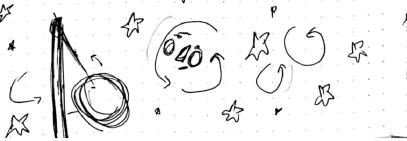
I can't breather, in reaching at I the seams til you reach the end of me that Tether, Tetherbell.

Playground James with a long sed faces Thinge a pocket of tanger

& I loved you arrear ago, now you've pust

vindictive - longing back to loving unrequited

Ignore pain through used colored lenger.



#### Tetherball lyrics

Curit you see? your words seer into My skull yet you keep on comiling to Said that I," walk over bodier, you're a W muman principly bay" I and breathe, wiplash washing over I'm always missing you. Rubber burns, but you've got it down Most Tether, Tether ball \$ 20 A

I'm tetrified to you, werehere i go your natural beauty, im falling behind You keep me on a noof, ensure in Still around.
I'm tokkened to you, I know I should

I'm tethered to you, everywhere 1 go Debate apologies, in folling behind you keep me on a nook ensure in still

IM TETHERED TO YOU!

IM TETHERED TO YOU!!!









# THE APPEAL OF CORALINE

THERE I WAS, A 9 YEAR OLD FILLED WITH WONDER, WHOSE EYES WERE FIXATED, ON THE TELEVISION SCREEN AS I WITNESSED THE ENTHRALLING OPENING TO THE MOST HORRIFIC AND ENCHANTING FILM OF MY CHILDHOOD.

#### CORALINE.

CORALINE IS AN ALLURING DARK FANTASY FILM THAT APPEALS TO AUDIENCES THROUGH ITS NOSTALGIA AND WONDERS, BEAUTIFUL ATTRIBUTES OF THE "OTHER WORLD" CORALINE VISITS, AND ITS UNIQUE HORROR.



PRODUCED BY LAIKA STUDIOS AND DIRECTED BY HENRY SELICK, BASED ON NEIL GAIMAN'S TITULAR NOVEL, CORALINE FOLLOWS THE ADVENTURES OF A CLEVER AND CURIOUS GIRL CORALINE JONES AS SHE MOVES INTO THE PINK PALACE WITH HER WORK-ABSORBED PARENTS AND JOURNEYS THROUGH VIBRANT PARALLEL DIMENSION OPPOSITE OF HER DREARY ONE. SHE DISCOVERS A PECULIAR DOOR- A PASSAGEWAY TO THE "OTHER WORLD" AND THERE, CORALINE IS GREETED BY THE "OTHER MOTHER" WHO RESEMBLES HER MOTHER BUT WITH BUTTONS FOR EYES. SHE IS A CREATURE KNOWN AS 'THE BELDAM' AND THE CREATOR OF THE OTHER WORLD WHO INDULGES CORALINE'S DESIRES AS A FACADE FOR HER MALICIOUS INTENTIONS. CORALINE EVENTUALLY REALIZES THE TRUE NATURE OF THE "OTHER WORLD" AND MAKES ATTEMPTS TO ESCAPE. AIDED BY AN ODDLY COMPANIONABLE CAT SHE WORKS TO OVERTHROW THE BELDAM AND FREE THE SOULS OF HER PAST VICTIMS WHILE TRYING TO PROTECT HERS AS WELL.





NOSTALGIA IS A POWERFUL EMOTION; ONE THAT ATTRACTS AUDIENCES TO CORALINE AND AIDS IN MOLDING AN OUTSTANDING FILM. CORALINE TAKES THE AUDIENCE BACK TO A YOUTHFUL ERA WHEN CURIOSITY IS AT ITS PEAK. THROUGH CORALINE'S BEHAVIOR, FASCINATION, AND LONGING FOR ADVENTURE ARE REVEALED. AS SEEN WHEN SHE MEETS HER ODD NEIGHBORS MR. BOBINSKY ("THE AMAZING BOBINSKI"), MS. SPINK, AND FORCIBLE ALL OF WHOM SEEM INTENT ON RELIEVING THEIR PAST AS PERFORMERS ALONG WITH HER REPEATED CRAWLS THROUGH THE SMALL DOOR SEARCHING FOR A UNIQUE ESCAPADE. DRAWN TO THE OTHER WORLD, CORALINE EXPERIENCES A CRAVING FOR EXCITEMENT AS WELL AS A SOURCE OF COMPANY AS SHE CLINGS TO HER IDENTICAL DOLL DESPITE BELIEVING SHE IS TOO OLD FOR THEM. CORALINE HERSELF IS NOSTALGIC AND FINDS COMFORT IN OBJECTS OF THE PAST. SHE USES HER IMAGINATION AS A FORM OF ESCAPISM FROM HER HARSH, DOMESTIC REALITY. "CORALINE SETS OUT TO EXPLORE HER CURIOUS SURROUNDINGS, INTERWEAVING THE ODD DETAILS OF EVERYDAY REALITY WITH THE BRIGHT THREADS OF IMAGINATION" SAYS A.O SCOTT IN "CORNERED IN A PARALLEL WORLD". HER YEARNING FOR ADVENTURE AND IMAGINATION FUELED BY THE MONOTONOUSNESS OF HER LIFE. ALONG WITH HER FEELINGS OF WONDER- SUPPORTED BY THE SETTING OF THE "OTHER WORLD", CAUSE CORALINE TO BE ALLURED BY THE SETTING. CORALINE EMBODIES WONDER AND EMULATES THE AUDIENCE IN THEIR PERIOD OF JUVENILITY, LIKE CORALINE, THE AUDIENCE IS BEWITCHED BY THE PECULIAR ASPECTS OF THE OTHER WORLD AND THE FILM IN ITS ENTIRETY LEAVES THEM YEARNING TO UNCOVER MORE.

THE OTHER WORLD, TEMPORARILY, EMBODIES A SENSE OF CHARM THAT LEAVES THE OBSERVER ENTRANCED. FROM THE TABLE OF DELICIOUS DINNERS TO THE GARDEN THAT IS DROWNED IN COLOR AND PERSONIFIED PLANTS THAT TOGETHER FORM AN IMAGE OF CORALINE'S FACE, IT SEEMS LIKE A UTOPIA ONE CAN'T HELP BUT FEEL FASCINATED BY. BUT, BEHIND THE FEELINGS OF DELIGHT, LIES ENTICING HORROR, EMANATING THROUGH THE BUTTON EYES, THE BELDAM'S TRUE FORM, THE "OTHER FATHER'S" DISFIGURED PUMPKIN SHAPE, AND THE UNEASY FORESHADOWING OF EVENTS. THE SCARE IN CORALINE IS LIKABLE AS "ALTHOUGH DARK FANTASIES DON'T OFTEN SHY AWAY FROM GORE AND HORROR, THEIR PRIMARY GOAL IS NOT TO FRIGHTEN THE AUDIENCE BUT RATHER TO MAKE THEM UNCOMFORTABLE" STATES NATALIE RIOS IN THE "OTHER" ANALYSIS: STYLE AND NARRATIVE TECHNIQUES IN SELICK'S CORALINE. CORALINE EXCELS IN THIS CONCEPT AND INCREASES THE TENSION WITH DARK ELEMENTS WHILE MAINTAINING ITS FANTASTICAL SETTING AND ESSENCE (A CONTRAST OF SORTS). THE TITULAR FILM ISN'T ABSORBED IN THE GROTESQUE OR GRUESOME, BUT THE GLOOMY AND EERIE THAT ACT SYNONYMOUS WITH CHILDHOOD NIGHTMARES, WHICH GRASPS THE AUDIENCE AND LEAVES THEM DELIGHTFULLY PERPLEXED.

CORALINE IS ESTABLISHED WITHIN REALITY AS IT TACKLES COMMON FEELINGS BUT ALSO USES FRIGHTENING AND PLAYFUL ELEMENTS TO CREATE AN AMUSING CONNECTION WITH THE AUDIENCE. ULTIMATELY, THEY ARE INTEGRATED TO CONVEY AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE: BEING APPRECIATIVE OF WHAT YOU HAVE AND BEING CAREFUL WHAT YOU WISH FOR.













INSTAGRAM: @Wishedpain

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Jack Dorfman ig: @jackdorfy

#### **Bethsy Roman**



Bacilica de Zacatecas

Bird's Eye View

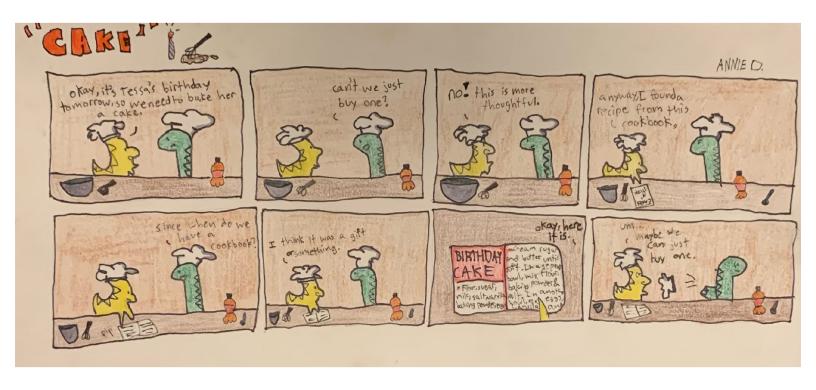




My Story

### **Annie Demirchyan** ig: @churchgir1\_

Cake pencil, marker, colored pencil





# IEILA FIILIG

Hey! I'm Will, an 18 year old visual artist from Los Angeles. I specialize in sculpture like metal-work and puppet making. I also evidently enjoy writing and photography, both of which I've included in my spread as I've found the practice of one tends to inform the other.

In this prose, I explore themes of nature in relation to myself, the microcosm within the macrocosm.



how do 1 consume?

eat these sand grains of obscurity by
the fistful...

and after many nights of pensive Staring at the Sea above, I regurgitate my pearls of wisdom

find me on instagram @\_13i13rs\_





Lex credendi legem statuat supplicandi / Let the rule of prayer

Crowded in a leep genufiect, I am surrounded by purpose and yellow crowned thister.

All goes dark and a tingly string of flames stretches from my eyelids, over my head, and to my tailbone. I find that laying in the Phistles quells this unfamiliar sensation and with the loosening of my diaphragm I deeply breake and consequently drawn on the salted air.

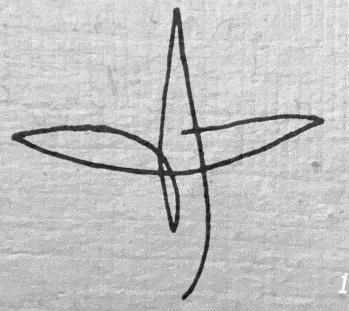
There is a grotesque pleasure to this pain. But it chokes.

My palms search the sky for some semblance of stability and tangled strands of wind catch between my fingers:

its pleas for veneration.

I give myself to the Earth so that I may be consecrated, I have tasted and now I see









Disney and other prominent companies recently displayed a "Happy #PrideMonth" post. Bookstores such as Barnes and Noble encourage "Reading with Pride." Now that Pride Month has recently ended, consider why companies spotlight the LGBTQ+ community in this way. This rainbow-washing is often used by major corporations to appear more supportive than they are. The second pride month ends, or uplifting these communities doesn't earn them profit, the support disappears. Consumers need to recognize when advocation is done from a place of genuine allyship vs. when it is done in an exploitative way.

Furthermore, though it is positive that queer stories are circulating in media, it is also important that the stories celebrate the community without isolating them more. In my experience as a queer person, I've frequently noticed the hard parts about being gay such as facing disapproval or shame are featured, ignoring other, more uplifting experiences. For queerness to be fully represented, both the difficult and exciting parts need to be acknowledged.

Unfortunately, we live in a society where being LGBTQ+ will always come with some stigma. The community surrounding egg squared is fortunate enough to be able to share queer stories and acknowledge that pride should not just exist in June. The LGBTQ+ community is full of nuance that should be celebrated all year.

### Parker Meir ig: @parkqueer

sorry

sorry

i felt the tears on my chest

as i told you what happened to me

your limbs shook

your eyes found their way to mine

i expected the worst;

for you to criticize me

mold my feelings into

a cat-toy

i expected the worst;

more pills to make me sleep

so you could get me naked

more then i already was

and do things to me

you'd never think of doing

without the cover of

night

more hours of unconscious bloodshed

id learn to apologize for

like a butcher

brutalizing the hog

who's squeals for release

hidden in sorry pitiful phrases

that make you forget

yourself

for a split second

i expect the worst

but i remember who you are

i see your face

it's not his

i see your pain

the same as mine







## FONCOM ICAL

#### "They just don't make them like they used to"

Before classic tropes were deemed "worn out" and when staple romantic comedy actors peaked, rom-coms were filling the screens. Films such as 27 Dresses, 50 First Dates, and How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days were capturing the attention of youth and adults alike who fell in love with the sincerity, heart-fluttering, and simple nature of the movies. But, rom-coms have lost their spark, with many modern rom-coms failing to forge real connections with their audiences- something was missing from the stories that appealed to people in the first place.

As Laura Bradley from The

Have all the possible romantic situations and plots been done or have writers and directors not been able to formulate a heart-tugging piece that leaves people swooning over the relationships forming on screen?



Daily Beast puts it, "These movies [early rom coms] understood that the core of any great romantic is its

These early rom coms can be characterized by their visuals and classic storytelling with often warm color grading embedded into each scene and the overall vibes they elicit. Current rom-coms feel as though they try too hard, overcomplicate the films and make them feel too artificial as if they were, "Shot with about a thousand ring lights".

"Stale" is the first word that comes to mind when I think of modern rom-coms. Of course, the advancement in technology plays a part in creating this boring visual, but sticking to almost naturally occurring lights and focusing on displaying a real environment- through aesthetically warm colors that reflect the feeling of romance is what modern rom-com need. Undoubtedly, one of the main appeals of early rom-coms was the appealing color palettes and storylines that give us a sense of childhood nostalgia- transporting us to a world where romance is heightened. These stories had substance (as much "substance" as a romantic comedy can have) and did not rely on modern references to capture audiences' attention as they do now. The audience was able to form a connection with the characters and weren't distracted by the tiktokness of it all as seen in He's All That starring influencer Addison Rae.

CONFESSIONS OF A SHOPOHOLIC
HOW TO LOOSE A GUY IN 10 DAYS
27 DRESSES
HES JUST NOT THAT INTO YOU
THE WEDDING DATE
SHES THE MAN
MY BEST FRIENDS WEDDING
THE PROPOSAL
LOVE ACTUALLY
CRAZY; STUPID; LOVE
THE WEDDING PLANNER
FAILURE TO LAUNCH

The lighthearted and relaxed nature of the films was enjoyable to watch and undeniably filled viewers with a sense of nostalgia - one that can't be generated from the overly stiff ambiance of romantic comedy films today. Romantic comedy enjoyers have become fed up with the constant references to social media and forced comments alluding to Gen Z culture in these films as well as the awkwardness between the main couples. Hollywood seems to prioritize the fame of their main actors as opposed to their chemistry together - casting two successful people to star alongside each other even when their interactions feel overly synthetic.

Sadly, the main reason for the decline is production. As the era of rom-coms was at its peak, live-action blockbusters were equally as popular, and with the rise in fandoms of franchises such as Marvel, the audience for romance dwindles. Ultimately, as more films falling under the rom-com genre are finding their footing in media such as Netflix's A Perfect Pairing one can't help but dislike it.

# FEAR SURVEY



### Julietta Brito

COCKROACHES!!!! when I was a kid one of them flew straight at me and got caught in my hair. I cry every time I see one now.



I'm scared of running out of time-my parents and grandparents are getting older, and there's so many things we haven't done together yet. It's my biggest fear that I'll never have the chance to make those memories with them.







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