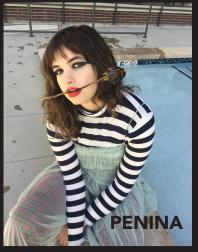
## MCA DEN VER TEENS

volume one

AMBASSADORS

I am a senior at North High school. Drawing and art has always been a thing I've enjoyed doing, and seeing.

Penina Warren is a high school senior with a penchant for fashion styling, all things vintage, and writing. For this zine, she was inspired by the idiosyncrasies and commonalities of personal style and its ability to be a medium of self expression







Hello, my name is Erionna Tovar and I am 17 years old. I love to see designer apparel in the 'hood' I also love music and think 2017 was an important year album wise.

Just a high school senior who's grown up way too fast. I plan to make all this growing worth it. I chose these themes for the zine because i have seen the generations flourish (and or fail) and I wanted everyone to take a step back and soak it in. I wanted everyone to realize where we were and where we are now. Whether its changed or hasn't. We should take a moment to realize what we've done throughout the years. Good or bad.





I like capturing people that I love doing what they love. In these pages, I am able to give people a glimpse of how people I love are following their hearts.



Um ok so like I don't do anything for fun. I am very like not outgoing at all. This is the first time I have ever done anything like this and I have to say this was probably one of the best decisions I have ever done with my life.



The pieces I made kept me awake til my eyeballs popped out, but it was worth it. I hope you can understand the message I am attempting to get across. So yeah, that's it, I am glad to be part of the teen Ambassador program, and help create a zine, I hope you enjoyed it.



Sebastian Martinez is a junior at Denver East High School. He has been a regular at the MCA all his life, and is actively interested in many art forms, particularly music production and sculpture.

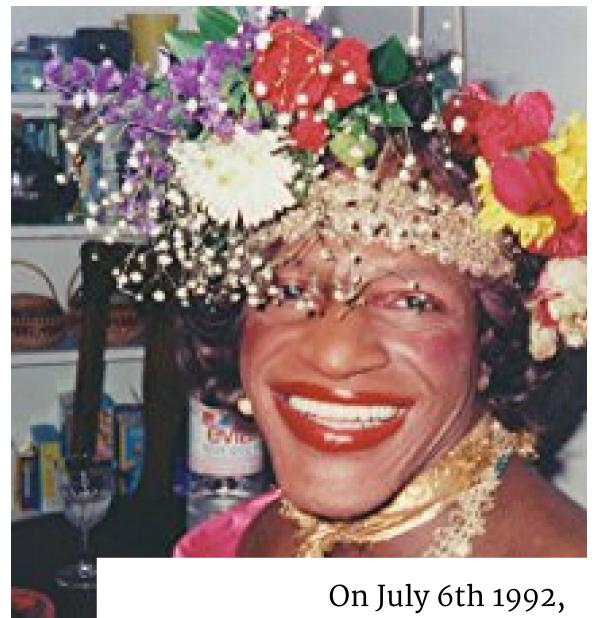
Gorgeous. Funny. Hardworking. All of these words may be (but probably aren't) used to describe Ella Shattuck, a sophomore at East High School. Her interests include going to concerts, and taking way too long to get dressed. If there was a contest for being dramatic, she would get first place.



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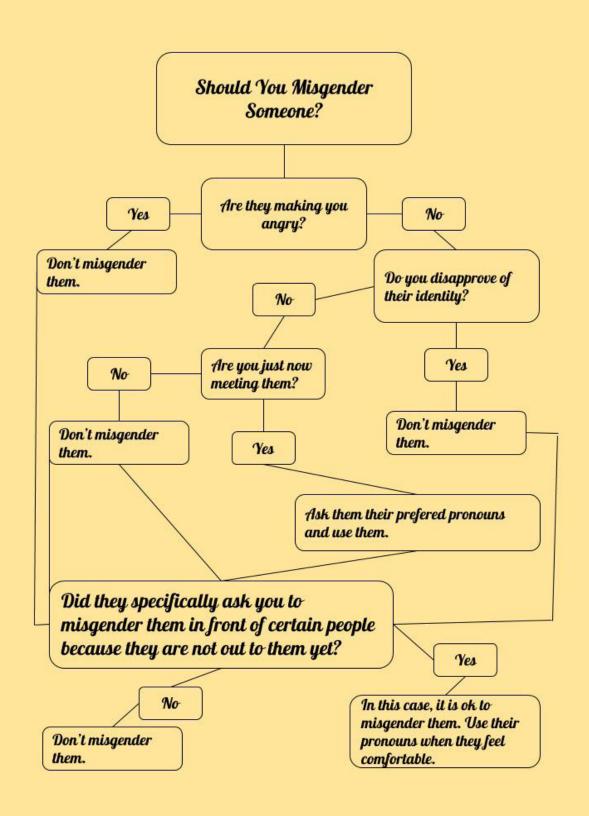






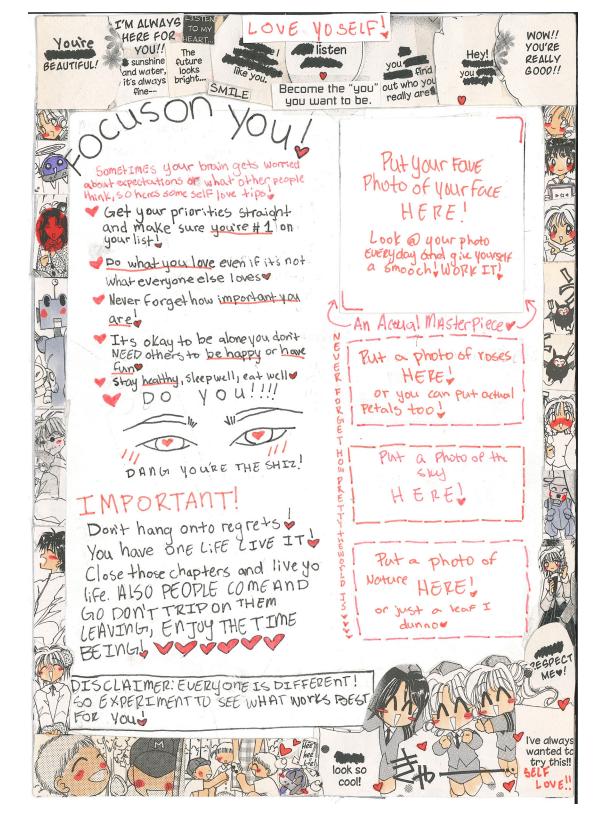
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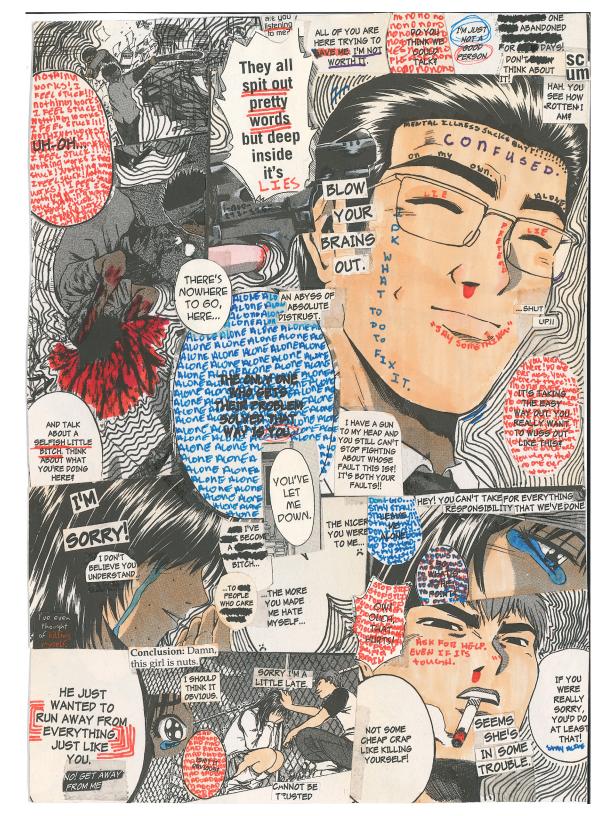






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## MUSICIANS WORTH SUPPORTING

Recently, the world has seen a rise in complaints and protests directed towards a variety of celebrities regarding their questionable behavior. Below are some of

the least problematic popular artists of 2017.















Rihanna



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### Failure Lab

And What it Means to Fail

To the ears of most, failure seems to be a callous, and undesirable term, for understandable reasons. To the members of the Failure Lab program, however, it is not only tolerated, but embraced.

"I would describe Failure Lab as an internship program that brings together high school student from Colorado to highlight the importance of failure in art, collaboration, and life in general," says Nia Musiba, a member of the current Failure Lab group, and student at East HIgh School. Similarly, another student from East High, Lincoln Thomas, says, "the most important skill I have attained since beginning my internship at the museum would be the skill to accept and conquer failure, and use it in a creative process."

Failure lab devotes itself
to integrating local teens into
the art scene of Denver in such a
way that puts them in control. "A
very cool aspect of the program is
that us as students get to work
very closely with local artists,"
says Lincoln, "the most important
part of the program is that it gives
teens a chance to to work in a
professional environment."

"It has encouraged me to not be afraid failure and has reinforced the idea that taking risks is so important, even if it results in failure."

If you're confident you are capable of embracing the risk of failure, and want to be involved with the local art community then Failure Lab may be your opportunity to be involved.



#### MAXWELL BRESLER



AS AN ARTIST, I WANT TO EXPRESS THAT FASHION IS ART, AND TRY TO CREATE A SCULPTURAL ASPECT TO ALL MY CLOTHES TO DEMONSTRATE THAT FASHION IS AN ART FORM.



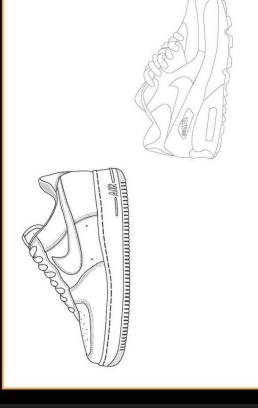
Instagram @max\_the\_b

#### PERSONAL STYLE GUIDE:

- Lo The #1 rule in fashion that will yield the very best results is that there are absolutely no rules. You've been taught your whole life to avoid wearing white after Labor Day, to be repulsed by the sight of a Canadian Tuxedo, to dress appropriately for your body type. IGNORE EVERYTHING that's been programmed into you. Innovation in style only truly begins when you learn to explore beyond the realm of familiarity.
  - 2. Learn to **TUNE OUT THE HATERS**. Be it your mom, your best friend, a stranger, even that little voice in the back of your head. Wearing an outfit with **CONFIDENCE** is half the battle, so no matter what the peanut gallery throws at you, they will have to at least respect your conviction and boldness.
- 3. Fake it 'till you make it. If you don't have the fashion sense you desire at the moment, or even the confidence to pull it off, **PRETEND** that you do. If all or nothing is not your method of choice, I recommend styling one new piece with an outfit you are already comfortable wearing, and then **SLOULY**INCORPORATING more fun clothing into your wardrobe as you steadily gain confidence.
  - **4.** Read magazines, stalk instagram accounts, watch fashion shows, raid your mom's closet. If you know what's out there, it's easier to ascertain the clothing styles that you naturally gravitate towards and those that you would really rather avoid. The fashion market is so over saturated with a myriad of trends at any given moment, so developing **A TASTE FOR WHAT YOU LIKE AND DISLIKE** is critical.
    - 5. Gather a **COLLECTION OF BASICS** and build up. Find your perfect starter pack: that pair of jeans that fit you just right, that dress that you can style in a hundred different ways, those trusty boots that you can always count on, etc.. Once you have the ground floor covered, it is far easier to get increasingly more adventurous with the clothing you wear. Having basics will allow you to **LAYER SIMPLER PIECES WITH MORE UNIQUE PIECES** and help you define what your personal style is.
- **5. OBSERVE** those whose style you admire: friends, family, mentors. Always be on the lookout for outfits that **CATCH YOUR EYE**, and when you find yourself appreciating someone's style, be sure to **TAKE NOTE** of what about that person's sense of fashion is so appealing to you. Once you have an understanding of the elements of style you find yourself drawn towards, you can make changes to incorporate them into your own personal closet.
  - 7. Watch films, go to museums, listen to music, read literature, look at art, make art. Your favorite pieces, **REGARDLESS OF GENRE**, often have the **POWER TO INFLUENCE** your style. Inspiration is everywhere around us, from the intricacies and lines of architecture to the crescendos and diminuendos of a symphony. Open yourself up to inspiration in all its forms; epiphany in fashion doesn't have to be as cut and dry as perusing this month's Vogue.
  - **8.** Gender is a **SOCIAL CONSTRUCT**. When you limit yourself to shopping in one particular gendered section, you are restricting yourself to a select few shapes and styles. Once you open yourself up to the cross-pollination of "femme" and "masculine" styles, the possibilities of fashion are **LIMITLESS**.
- **9.** Go **THRIFTING**, shop **VINTAGE**. By shopping second hand, not only are you helping the environment through the act of recycling and slowing the fast fashion machine, but you are collecting **UNIQUE PIECES** that will add character to your wardrobe for nearly no cost at all. With used pieces, one can often find superior quality and genuine styles while also doing their part to save both a) money and b) the planet.
  - 10. Don't ignore your **INSTINCTS**. If you instantly feel yourself gravitating towards a particular piece or sartorial style, run with it and make it yours. Our instincts usually have a level of foresight that transcends any sort of reason or logic, and that can add a layer of emotion and fun to our fashion decision making.

# SOISNAOROARDS





For this one, you can color in the outline of the shoe. It is up to your own imagination.

THE SHOES ARE THE CLASSICS, EVERYONE BASICALLY OWNS THEM. AN AIR MAX, AND AN AIR FORCE

## now, draw out your own design of your shoes

Take a Picture of your design your coloring or your design and @ us at @mcadenverteens on instagram to get a shoutout!!

By:Lucky



## **XIONAJA**

Empathy plays a key role in our lives. Whether it's a friend, family member, or random person, interacting with people inevitably leads to a mutual sense of understanding. It may be subtle, but music can bridge the gap between even the most diverse of people and eventually create a sort of bond between the artist and his or her audience. When music is made genuinely and from the heart, it consumes the emotion of its creator and eventually secretes that emotion, whatever it may be, to the listener. In my experience, music has been able to bond the most unlikely of people.





Instagram @xionaja

in my own way seclude myself from whatever is around me in order to focus on what is necessary to accomplish my future goals. An escape in a way. Making and listening to music allows me to put even the worst of situations on the back burner, and remain calm despite life's randomness. Part of the reason for this is that I believe music can contain just as much randomness as life can, because the more life throws at a person the more feeling that person can put into a song. I believe that the intensity of life's ups and downs can determine the quality of a songs message and radiance. This has proven itself time after when the best music comes from the people who mean it the most, and the people who mean it the most are the people who have experienced the most. No matter what those experiences are, I think it's necessary for everyone to find a medium to share their experiences with others because if that never happens no one will remember them. I believe all people's experiences deserve to be remembered, and I'm overjoyed that making music has proven to be my way of remembering.

**Born** from the post-punk legends of the 80s (Sonic Youth, the Cure, Bauhaus, etc.) Shoegaze was testing the limits of the volume and intensity of sound one could get out of a guitar. As a consequence of the nature of the music, the boundaries of the genre were equally vague. The only real criteria for shoegaze is that it has to be very loud. The following albums are some of the most well known, and for good reason.

#### The Jesus and Mary Chain - Psychocandy

Psychocandy, according to some, was the album that initiated Shoegaze. They created the template for all shoegaze to come; pop song structure juxtaposed with beautifully abrasive waves of guitar feedback. Pop melodies composed of white noise and roaring guitars make the album feel more like a living creature than a normal project.

Another classic of the genre, Souvlaki was not received with open arms at the time of its release in 1993. Since, however, many critics retrospectively regard it as an iconic album. Souvlaki has a more ambient sound than others on this list, even featuring two songs produced by the legendary Brian Eno.



Slowdive - Souvlaki



Probably less of a household name than others on this list, Nowhere delivers the same cacophonic sound of the others, but with more of a classic rock touch. The drums hit cleaner and a bit more frequently than Souvlaki, and the melodies are a bit darker and heavier than Psychocandy, Similar to the legendary Loveless, the album sounds exactly like you would expect from the album art, an endless and mysterious seascape of noise.

Ride - Nowhere



Recorded over a two year period, costing a rumored £250,000, and involving 19 studios; Loveless was as logistically massive as it was sonically. In the end however, and despite lackluster chart success, it has established itself as the quintessential Shoegaze album, and as stated before, sounds exactly how the cover looks. Kevin Shields, the mastermind behind it, reinvented the guitar into something completely new, and the result is something special.





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## KAIA MILLER





Photography allows me to capture the beauty of what I see around me. Taking photos allows me to have a creative outlet, working out ideas that words can't. Through photography, I've been opened up to so many amazing experiences, which have encouraged me to grow as a person, becoming a stronger version of myself.







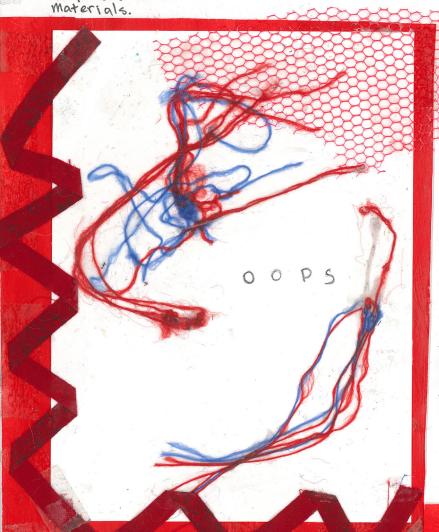






Emma Balder helped EVERYONE experience fiberpainting! We also got to make New Friends!

ABOUTTHE ARTIST. Emma Balderis very nice and pretty! As I spoke to her she explained how she storted art in high school ble she had initially wanted to be a foshion designer and it was mand atory to take an art class to do so. But as she took the dass she fell in love with eart and got the day to the day of the artist she is today! Emma specializes in abstract and got in spired to do Fabric art because she didn't want to waste left over



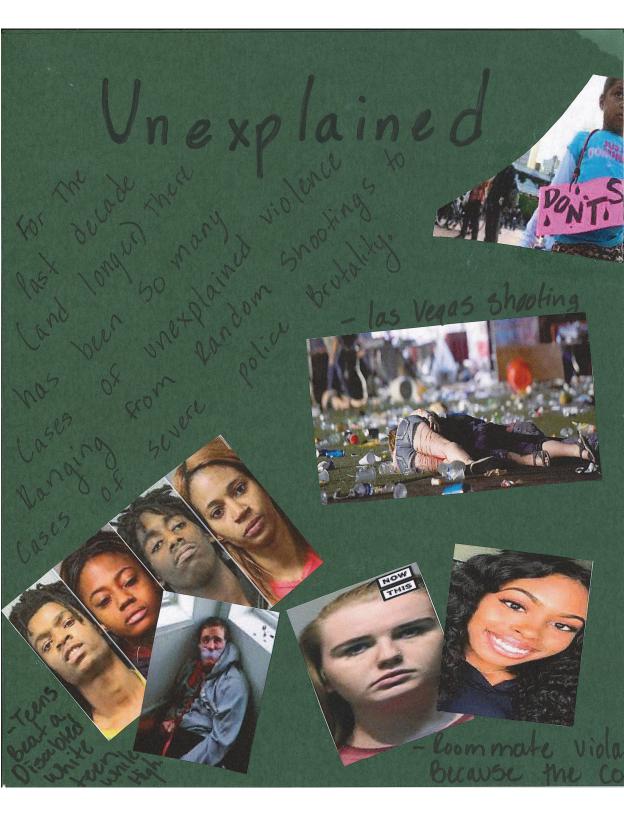
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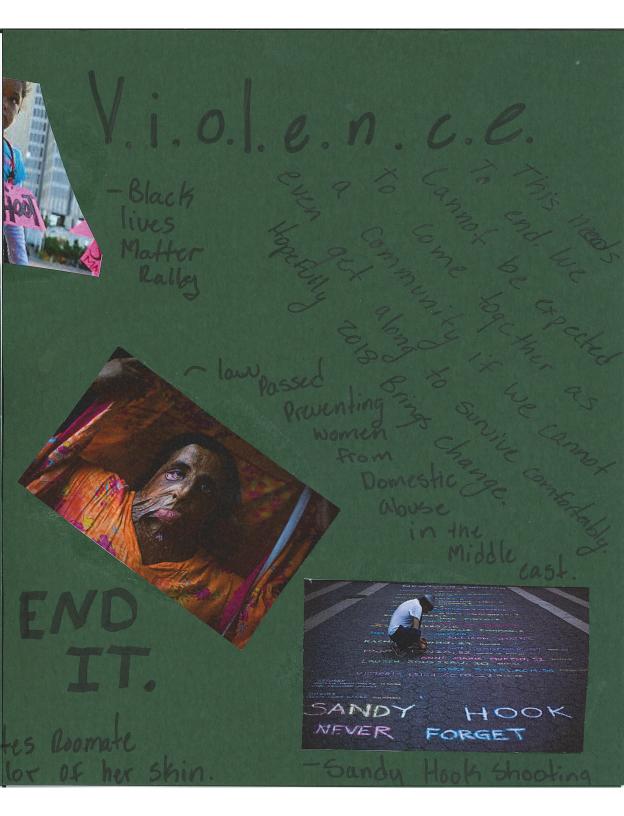
OVERALL EXPERIENCE

Workshops at MCA are lotsa Fun and give You an opportunity to Meet new People and make many new friends! I suggest you

go to an MCA work shop Sometime.

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## Are you Racist?

The truth is

we're all prejudice, whether its

overt or covert.

Yes

No

Knowing in what ways our bias

plays out can be difficult. The

Implicit Association Test (IAT),

based at Harvard, uses a series of photos and terms to gather

data on our preferential tendencies.

You can take the IAT at Project Implicit Taking the time to learn things about ourselves is the first step to reframing how we see and interact with people.

The abbreviation "IDM" stands for "Intelligent Dance Music", which is, in actuality, a misnomer in two ways. The word intelligent alludes to the complex nature of the genre, but is not necessarily smarter in any way. The word dance alludes to the genre's derivation from dance and house music of the 80s, however the music associated with IDM is not particularly inclined towards clubs or dancing in general. Despite its odd name, IDM is a feat of electronic production and a revolution in music.

Possibly the most notorious artist on this list, Aphex Twin set the standard for IDM, particularly with this album. The most ambient feature of this project is the sonic density of the entire album. Aside from that, the album carries bouncing synths, booming basslines, and rolling breakbeats that make it particularly approachable

compared to his later works.

#### Aphex Twin - Selected Ambient Works 85-92



#### Boards of Canada - Music Has the Right to Children

Another debut album, Boards of Canada took elements of Selected Ambient works and created something of their own which endowed them with a similar legacy to Aphex Twin. The more sample-heavy production and homespun sound makes this album more organic feeling than others on this list.



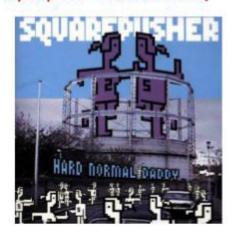
Tri Repetae is a more minimal work, having the same melodic soundscapes and droning synths as Selected Ambient Works, but with a harder hitting industrial edge, particularly in the percussion. This album is widely regarded as one of the most influential electronic albums of the 90s along with Selected Ambient Works.

#### Autechre - Tri Repetae



Another masterpiece debut, Hard Normal Daddy straddled the line between IDM and what would come to be known as Drill 'n' Bass, a genre that Aphex Twin was exploring as well. By far the most intense record on this list, Squarepusher made warped and glitchy Drum and Bass breaks the centerpiece of the album. In between these chaotic drums you can hear interludes of Squarepusher's masterful bass chops.

#### Squarepusher - Hard Normal Daddy



#### Teen Art Show RECAP 6

For this exhibition, High schools students from throughout the Denver area submited original artworks that responded to the theme "Natural Disater". Interreting the idea broadly, works in the exhibition range from personal to political, from literal to metaphorical. Some students used the prompt as a way to reflect on climate change and the recent series of natural disasters. Others chose to comment on social political issues. Some students worked more personally, using the promt to discus diaster on an intimate level.

Students in MCA Denver's teen leader-ship Failure Lab developed thsi exhibition, from comcept, to curtain, to installation. After working closely as interns with the exhibitions department to select the theme of the show, they opened the call for entries to all Denver area High School students. After reveiving hundreds of submissions, the Failure Lab student's selected works were presented at the Teen Lounge Area.



By: Lucky

#### The Winning Art Pieces



#### Photos at the Night of the Exibition











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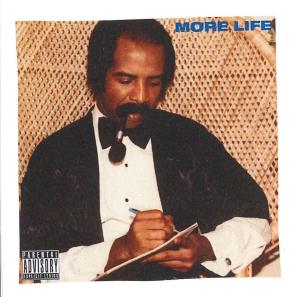
Top song: T shirt



Artist: Future
Album:HNDRXX

Release Date: February 24,2017

Top song: Coming Out Strong ft The Weeknd



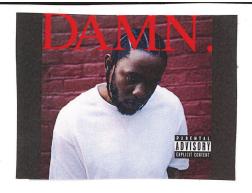
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Album:More Life

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Top song: Free Smoke





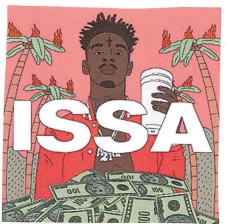
Artist: Kendrik Lamar

Album: DAMN

Release Date: April 14, 2017

Top song: Love







Artist: Trippie Redd Album:A Love Letter to You Release Date:May 12, 2017 Top song: Love Scars

Artist: Jay Z Album: 4:44

Release Date: June 30, 2017

Top song: Bam

Artist:21 Savage

Album:ISSA ALBUM

Release Date: July 7, 2017 Top song: Bank Account



Artist: A\$AP Ferg Album: Still Striving

Release Date: August 18, 2017 Top song: Mattress REMIX





Artist: 21 Savage, Offset, Metro Boomin

Album: Without Warning

Release Date: October 31,2007

Top song:Ghostface Killers ft Travis Scott

Artist: G Herbo

Album: Humble Beast

Release Date: September 22, 2017 Top song: Everything ft Lil Uzi Vert



Artist:PnB

Album: Catch These Vibes

Release Date: November 17,2017

Top song: Lovin ft A Boogie wit da Hoodie



Artist: Lil Wayne

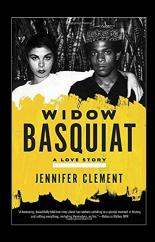
Album: Dedication 6

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Top song: Roll in Peace

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## Books To Start The New Year



Widow Basquiat, Jennifer Clement

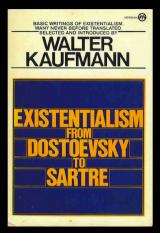
For the nostalgic art nerds who want to know the neo-expressionist painter more intimately.

2014

Custer Died For Your Sins, Vine Deloria Jr.

You'll never read a funnier manifesto.





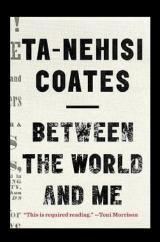
Existentialism From Dostoevsky to Sartre, Walter Kaufmann

Existentialism is now easily digestible and served up on a silver platter by Kaufmann's smooth and organized writing.

1975

Between the World and Me, Ta-Nehisi Coates

In this 6 chapter letter Coates talks to his son about what it means to be black in America. Coates covers this from the Middle Passage to now and what lies ahead.



2015



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