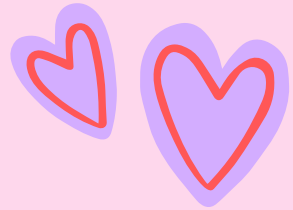
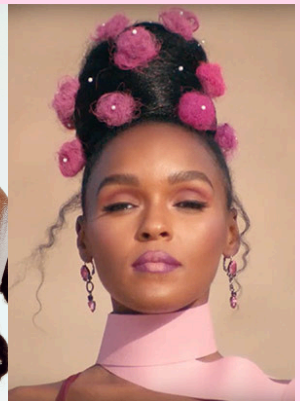


PINK LIKE THE INSIDE OF YOUR



(BAY. BEE)



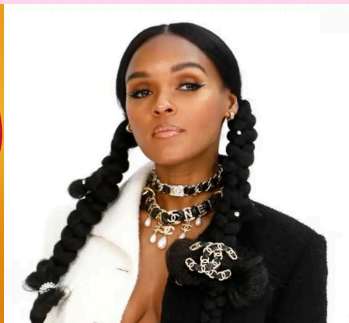
On the best color & how the patriarchy almost stole it from me

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Author's Note

JANELLE MONAE IS VERY IMPORTANT TO ME

Sincerely Jane. Cold War. Tightrope. Django Jane. Pynk. I Like That. Hell You Talmbout. Yoga BEFORE that damn copacabana remix. Y' all were NOT with me shooting in the gym. But Pepperidge farm remembers. This zine is named after the queen's iconic track because the theme is pink, because Black girls are fucking iconic and because unapologetic, gender bending queer Black femmes change the atmospheric pressure with their excellence.



I GREW UP A TOMBOY



I loved this about myself & I carry it with me til this day. But I also said things like ‘I don’ t have any girl friends because they “gossip too much” and I avoided pink like the plague because it was ‘for girls.’ I wanted to be ‘different.’

I now understand that differentiating yourself from other women based on arbitrary metrics like the colors we like, the clothes we wear and our interests makes us all unsafe. The stratification of women creates a bottom, which is always a dangerous place to be. And in a white supremacist cis- heteropatriarchy, it is Black womxn, queer, femme, trans & gender nonconforming folks who pay the price.

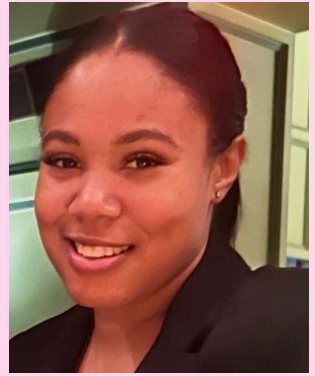
BLACK FEMINISM, HOOD FEMINISM & WOMANISM PROVIDE THE ANSWERS WE SEEK

With incel culture on the rise and the rights of womxn- particularly Black, trans, queer, immigrant, poor, and working class, hood, cash poor, undocumented, gender non conforming & disabled womxn under attack- we must recognize that yes, it IS that serious. We must be aware of the ways we are taught to demonize femininity even as it is weaponized against us and used to pit us against one another.

If the worldwide collective of women engaged with the pedagogy, praxis and politics of hood Black feminism the way we all steal and benefit from Black hood aesthetics in the worlds of dance, music, hip hop, R&B, pop, K-pop, tik tok, hair, nails, accessories, fashion trends, body type, diction, mannerisms, hair styles, nail care, humor, food etc. we would all be free!

And that' s word to MONALEO <3





IT IS ABSOLUTELY THAT SERIOUS

From Black femicide to misogynoir in media, we all lose when attacks on what is deemed 'girly' slip by us & when perceived femininity or lack thereof becomes permission to help or harm. Pictured:

Ahslee Jenae- killed while vacationing with her partner in Zanzibar after an argument between them. He is currently in pig custody

Gerina Fairfax- Murdered by estranged husband & former Lt. governor of VA with their children in the home

Raven Edwards- Murdered by her boyfriend in front of her 3 children when she said she only wanted to co parent & no longer wanted to date him, the coward then turned the gun on himself

Megan Thea a stallion- consistent target of body & slut shaming & shooting victim of former partner & untalented leprechaun Tory Lanez (what is the opposite of free him? That. DO THAT)

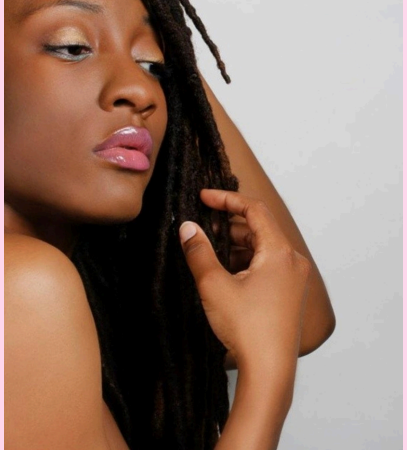
No Name- prolific hip hop artist, book club founder & better activist & musician than half white, battle rap plea copping loser J. Cole who owes her an apology

Angel Reese: record breaking WNBA star consistently misgendered & disrespected for simply being unambiguously Black, tall & talented

**‘LOSE YOUR FEAR,
FIND YOUR FIRE.
TOGETHER, WOMEN
CAN FLY HIGHER!’ -
TEMPLATE
LANGUAGE**



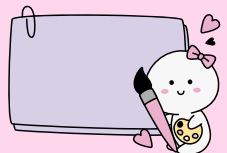
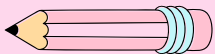
**CANVA IS SO CORNY
BRUH. THIS IS WHY
YOU CAN'T LET AI
WRITE YOUR SHIT.
BOOOOOOOO!**



**MIND YOU THE
‘MAN’ IS CANVA
WHICH I’M USING**



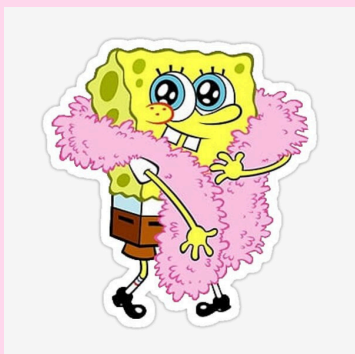
**YALL JUST WAIT TIL I
GET MY CRAFT
SKILLS UP!**





'Every minute,
every hour,
more women discover
their power.'

- canva' s bitch ass

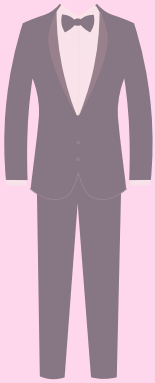


'Break the glass ceiling,
tear down every wall!
Humanity grows when there's
room for all.' - our robot
overlords



**“ BEGGING YOU TO MAKE
YOUR OWN ZINES.”**

- **BRATTYXBRE**

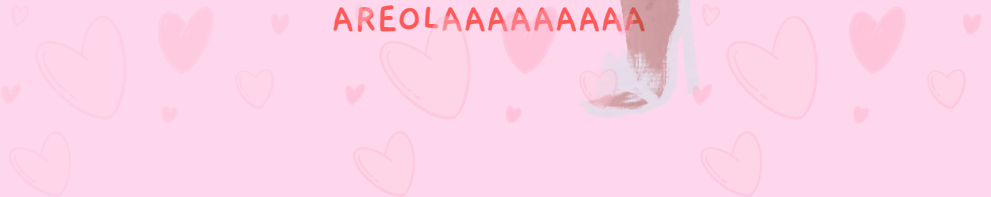


COLORS & CLOTHING AS ARMOR & PERFORMANCE

I will never forget how Black men and respectability ruled Black women lost their minds when Janelle dropped the 'Yoga' video. Y'all never liked her art, y'all never heard her for real you just loved that she wasn't twerking or showing her body. Then she started bending it like Beckham & popped them titties out lmaoooo.

I love pink now for the same reason I was so happy to see Janelle let go of that suit. In the words of Muva herself:

**YOU CANNOT POLICE ME SO GET OFF MY
AREOLAAAAA**





Initially I was going to make a zine of me in pink. I could not think of any ideas for my first zine that were not deeply political or triggering after being pushed out of my non profit job (again). This was supposed to be a cute little photo book. Turns out the color pink political as hell lol.





IN CONCLUSION:

**be gay
do crime
WEAR PINK <3**



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