

THE RAPE CRISIS CENTER GAMECHANGERS ENVISIONS

DREAMING OURSELVES



COLLECTIVE WORLD MAKING

*THIS PROJECT IS INSPIRED BY A LONG LINEAGE OF DREAMING WORK, PRIMARILY LINEAGES OF AND DIRECTION FROM BIPOC REVOLUTIONARIES/DREAMERS/ ARTISTS/REBELS/HEALERS AND THE DEMANDS FOR "REORGANIZING SOCIETY BASED ON THE COLLECTIVE NEEDS OF THE MOST OPPRESSED."

KEEANGA YAMAHTTA-TAYLOR. HOW WE GET FREE (2012)
AND THE COMBAHEE RIVER COLLECTIVE STATEMENT
OF 1974

THE RAPE CRISIS CENTER YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD GAMECHANGERS PRESENTS

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We have chosen to create a zine based on lineages of DIY, accessible and popular/people's education activism.

The theme of our collective zine is world-making. We believe another world is possible and we want youth to lead the way! "World-making" emphasizes the role of imagination, joy, resilience, community care and current-moment practices for laying the foundation for a just future. This project strives to articulate how and allow radical change to happen. Dreaming, envisioning, imagining the world(s) that we desire, long for, require in order to truly thrive.

We wanted this project to be specifically from the perspective of young people because young people are inheriting the world that has been imagined and this is being shaped everyday. Young people will not only bear the impact of the choices we make as a society today, but also hold great power to change society for the better starting right now.

This year especially has been challenging for people. Isolating, depressing, harmful. Grief full. We have witnessed in real time the cruelty, the inhumanity, the failure of systems to protect and preserve the health and wellbeing of its citizens. So, part of the inspiration for this project is to provide joy, a reminder that we are all connected, that we depend on each other for survival, and that is beautiful and necessary. It is also to provide the space to imagine what we do want, need and desire and how we can begin nurturing the vision of the future that allows all people to thrive.

GAMECHANGERS & RCC

This zine was brought together by The GameChangers Youth Advisory Board, who is committed to empowering youth to engage in activism, change the culture of sexual violence, and foster progress across our community. Made up of brilliant high school students from across Dane County, participants work together to educate themselves and their fellow board members about various aspects of advocacy, activism, and some of the root causes of rape culture. They address these issues through projects and presentations in the community, like this zine itself! The focus of their works is on social justice, primary prevention, rape cuture, and the intersectionality of oppressions within sexual violence. Zine vision & planning by Ana Shriver, Maggie DiSanza, Makeda Renfro-Sargent, Azalea Holt Wick, Lizzie Johnson, & Lucy Nonemacher. Supervised by Bri Breunig.

GameChangers is a program proudly run by Heather Louise Chun at the Rape Crisis Center (RCC). Serving Dane County since 1973, RCC provides services to survivors (and their family and friends) of all forms of sexual violence, including recent sexual assault, past sexual assault, incest (past or present), sexual harassment and sexual exploitation.

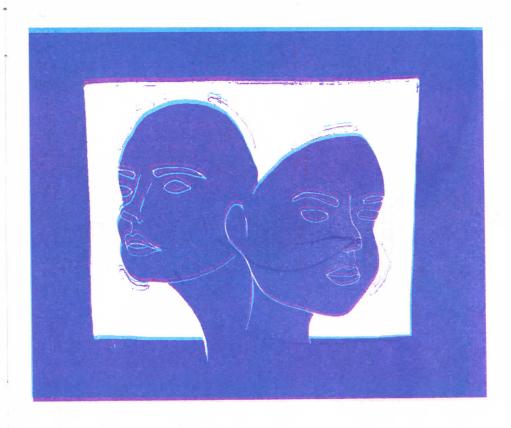
RCC advocates for those harmed by sexual violence by centering survivors, promoting societal change, and committing to be an evolving force for social equity. We envision our community free from violence and all forms of oppression.

For more information on support & our programming visit thercc.org

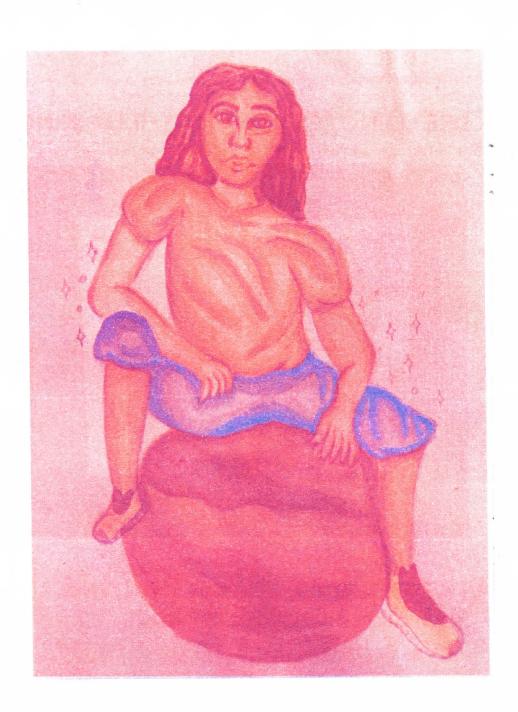
If you need someone to talk to immediately, please feel free to call:

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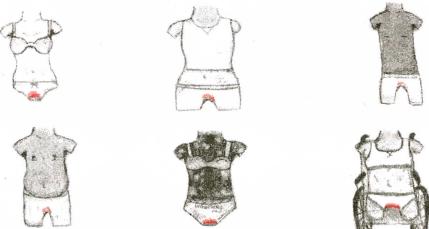
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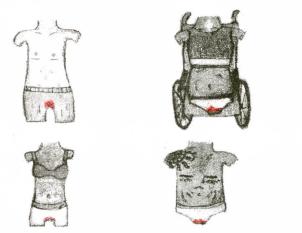
THINKING ABOUT A BETTER WORLD...

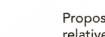
by Jasmine Sotelo

Ever caught yourself thinking about how the world could be better? What things can we change in the world? What do we have control over? I believe that we can change the world together. The start is within us. How can we be happy with what's happening around us? Are we safe in our own communities? Let's check up on each other. Speaking up about the things happening around us will help make a better world. Let's live our life to the fullest. Be grateful for the people around you. Self-care is a must. Take care of yourself before anyone. Roses are red, Violets are blue, let's take care of me and you. Let the light of the sun guide you through this moment we call life. Look at the stars and ask yourself how we can make a better world. Let's stop gun violence, support BLM, and empower. Let's unite as a world and community. Just because Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM) is over doesn't mean we should stop caring. Take care of your daughters, wives, and women around you all the time. The world we live in can and will be better. Embrace where you are from. Your culture, colors, family. Always look up because the next day will be better. Listen to your heart. Heartbreaks only make us stronger. Let your heart drive you to love. Take a deep breath and exhale the bad thoughts away. You will be surrounded only by good thoughts. Be careful what you think because we become what we believe. But never forget who you are. Love yourself. Don't stop dreaming and reach for the stars.



menstruating bodies are not worthless





Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to equal rights on the basis of gender, sexuality, and biological sex.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled (two-thirds of each House concurring therein), That the following article is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several States:

Article 1

30TH AMENDMENT

Amira Pierotti

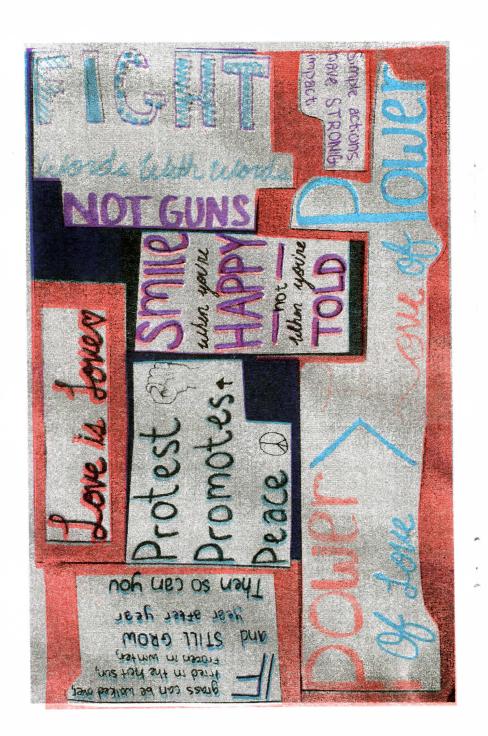
Section 1. Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied of abridged by the United States or by any State on account of biological sex. Biological sex shall be defined by the law as anatomy including chromosomes and genetalia. Intersex anatomies, which are scientifically considered as biological sexes, shall be included in these protections.

Section 2. Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of gender or lack thereof. Separate from biological sex, gender shall be defined by the law as a sense of self. Gender includes gender identity, the gender(s) to which an individual connects, and gender expression, how individuals convey their gender. Individuals who have little or no connection to gender shall not have their rights be abridged nor denied under this provision as well.

Section 3. Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sexuality. Sexuality includes but is not limited to whom an individual is attracted, how they feel attraction, and how their relationship functions. This Polyamory, the ability to feel attraction to multiple people at one time, shall be included in such protections.

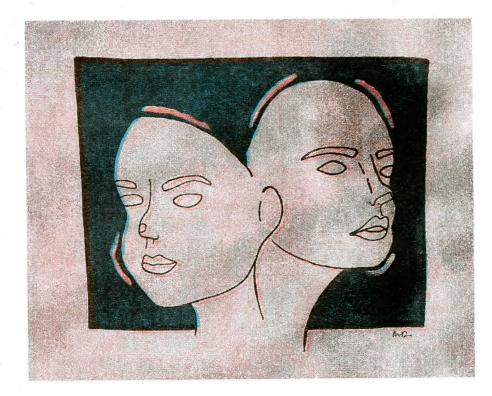
Section 4. The Congress shall have the power to enforce, by appropriate legislation, the provisions of this article. Congress cannot infringe upon religious institutions' ability to preach their beliefs, however, these institutions cannot harass or discriminate against individuals on the basis of these identities.

Section 5. This article shall take effect 2 years after the date of ratification."









CONTRIBUTORS

Cover Art: Yani Thoronka(she/her), Sophomore, Madison East. I enjoy playing a variety of different sports including soccer, volleyball, basketball, etc. I also love doing poetry and art. Recently, I've been trying to expand my art style beyond simply drawing and painting. I've branched into mosaic as well as collage, and I'm hoping to grow and evolve into new art forms while also evolving my style through the process. My art Instagram handle is @ymt.art. (Back cover modified by Lesley Numbers)

Page 3: Artwork by Maggie Di Sanza, modified by Lesley Numbers.

Page 4: My name is Rayna Cunningham, and I am a senior at Madison Memorial. My painting centers around the power of women, and celebrates our ability to shape and change the world. My interests are painting, dancing, and activism. I am also looking forward to attending the University of Wisconsin-Madison next year.

Page 5: Jasmine Sotelo (she/hers), age 16, East High School.

Pages 6-7: Amira Pierotti (They/Them), Junior, Memorial High School. Amira is a youth activist working for trans / nonbinary / gender-expansive rights, menstrual equity, and an end to rape culture. Amira is also a grassroots activists with the GameChangers program at the Rape Crisis Center and the Vote16 Madison campaign.

Page 8: Sarah Melnick. I am a junior at West high school. My pronouns are she/her. I love reading and being active in my community. I included these quotes because they keep me going, and I hope they will inspire you too.

Page 9: Azalea Holt Wick (she/her), age 15, West High School

Page 10: Emily Fritts is a Sophomore at Edgewood College. "Souvenirs" is a mixed media piece on canvasboard, created in August 2020.

Page 11: Maggie Di Sanza (they/she) is an 18 year old senior at Memorial High School and youth organizer. They have worked with organizations like Bleed Shamelessly, Planned Parenthood, the Rape Crisis Center, Vote16, and the Youth Climate Action Team. Piece Title: Queerness is a Performance.

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WATCHEND THEREIN.



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