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Teacher of the Year
Lora Alaniz



E4 YOUTH STUDENT SHOWCASE 2025

CATEGORIES

Browse the work of every student who submitted to the 2025 showcase!

**Physical Visual Art
or Design**

Photography

Creative Writing

Music

**Digital Visual Art
or Design**

Journalism

Interactive Media

**Filmmaking &
Animation**

Portfolios

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BEST OF SHOW



“Daisy and Matilda”
Urduja Raygon
Manor New Tech High School

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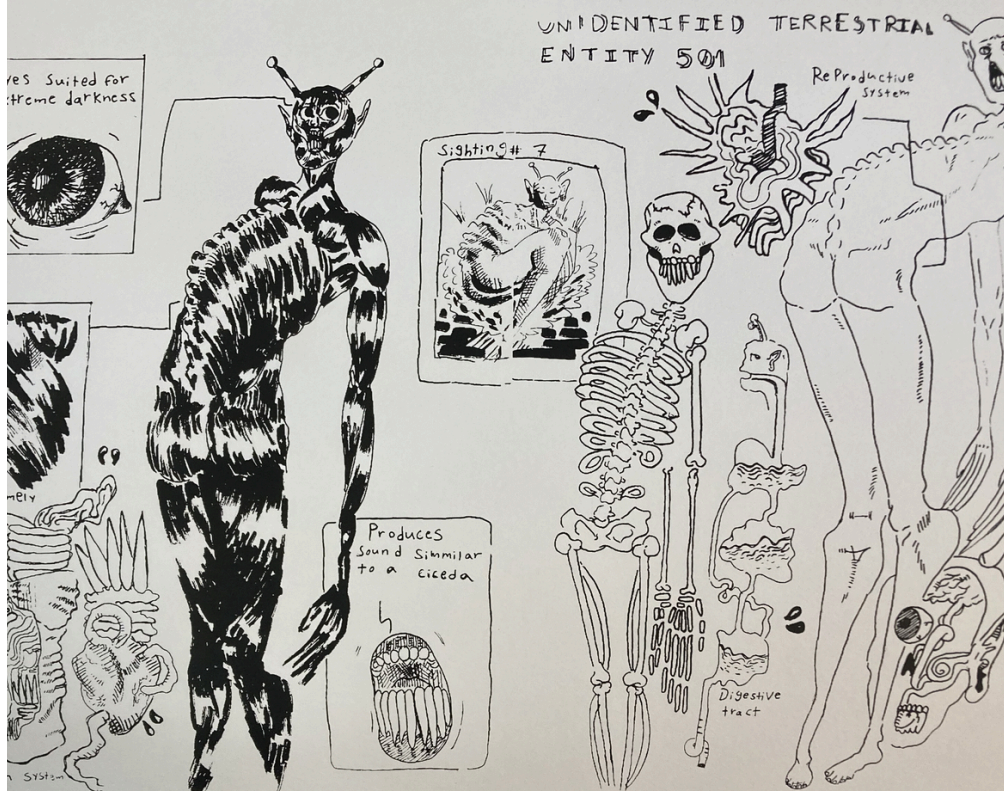


“Thoughts & Prayers”

Emsley Salinas

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“Unidentified Terrestrial Entity 501”

Shane Michael Malek

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“My Unfinished Symphony”

Yaretzi Alvarez Mireles

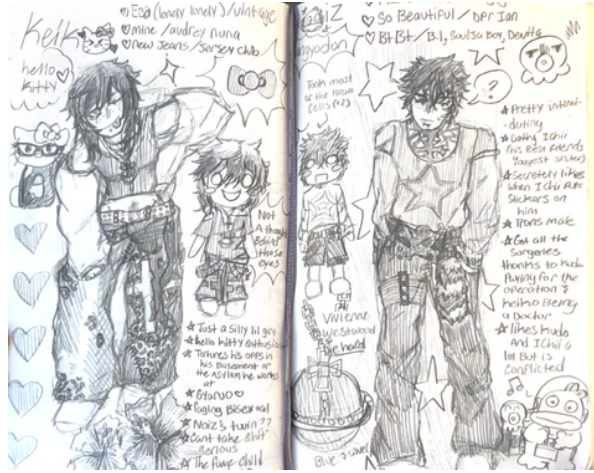
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“Twilight's Grasp”

Adrian Orduna
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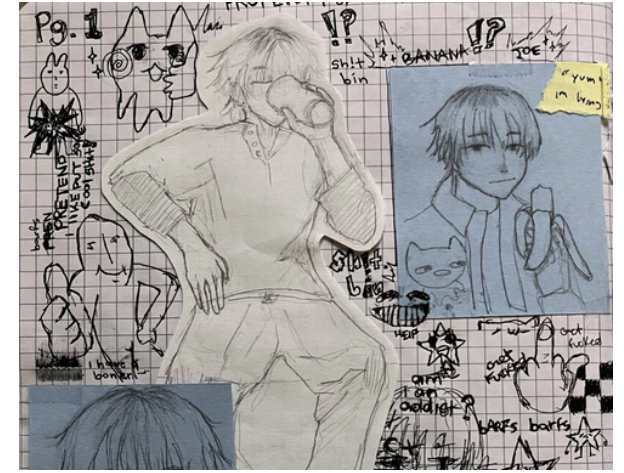
“Twin opposites”

Jaiazea 'Marie' Bedford
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“Midsummer”

Kairi Natal
Akins - After School



“Personal OC”

Katherine Gonzalez Trejo
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“Crochet Plushies”

Maria Ramirez
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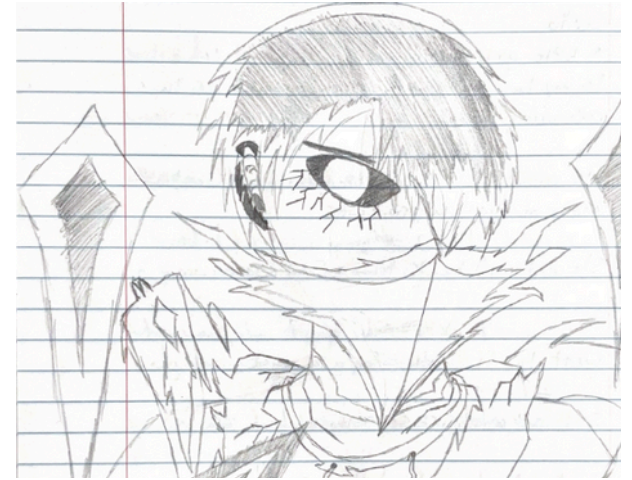
“American Oni”

Max Melton
Akins - After School



“A Trip To The Mountains ”

Chloe Harris
Akins - Yearbook



“Physical Art”

Dominic Jordan Yanes
Akins - Yearbook

Digital Visual Art or Design



"Only You Can Stop Climate Change"

Luna Zook

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“The Great Corruption”

Tenzin Ludupe

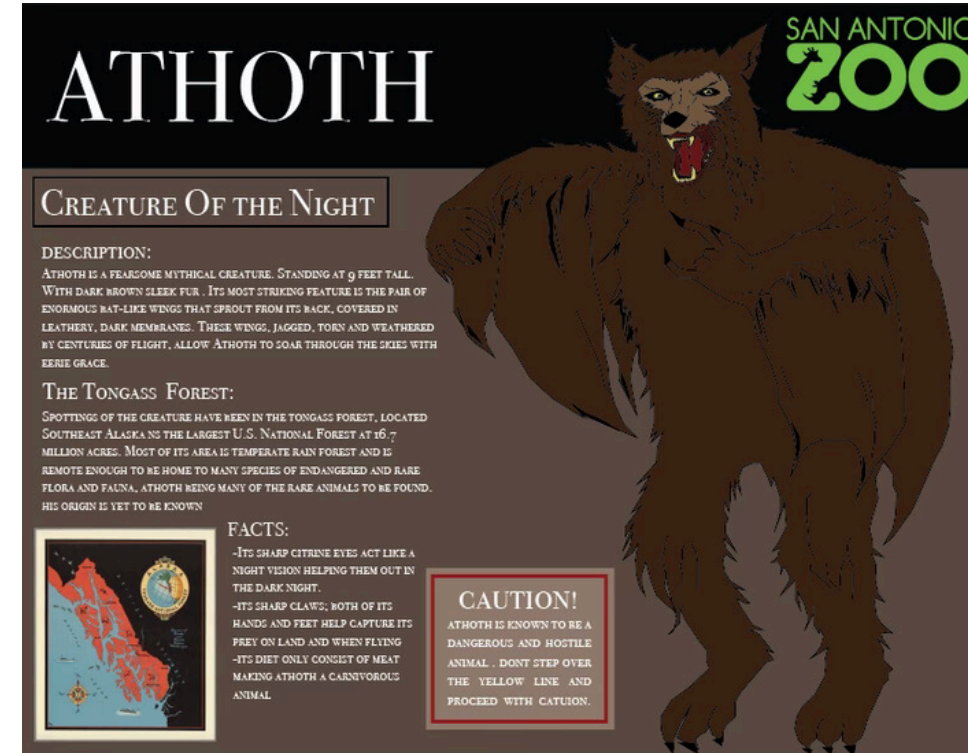
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“Zoo Signage”

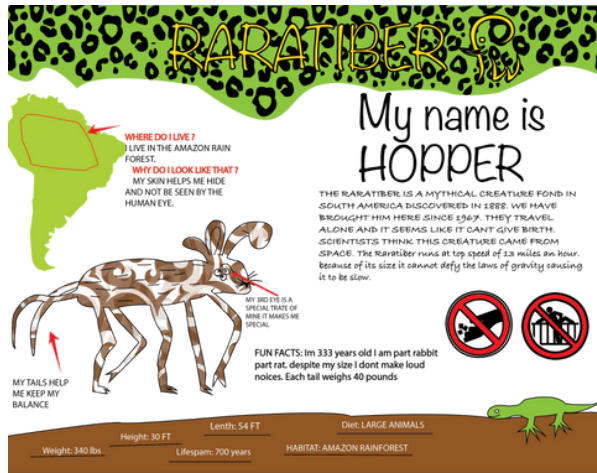
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“Zoo Signage”

Eduardo Rodriguez

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“School Spirit Project”

Fernando Sanchez Alvarado

Manor Senior – Graphic Design Practicum



“Movie Posters”

Francisco Lopez

Manor Senior – Graphic Design Practicum



“Movie Posters”

Harmony Guerra

Manor Senior – Graphic Design Practicum



“movie posters”

Jared Nava

Manor Senior – Graphic Design Practicum



“Ampersand grilled cheese”

Jay Forbes

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“Side Kick Logo”

Jocelyn Flores

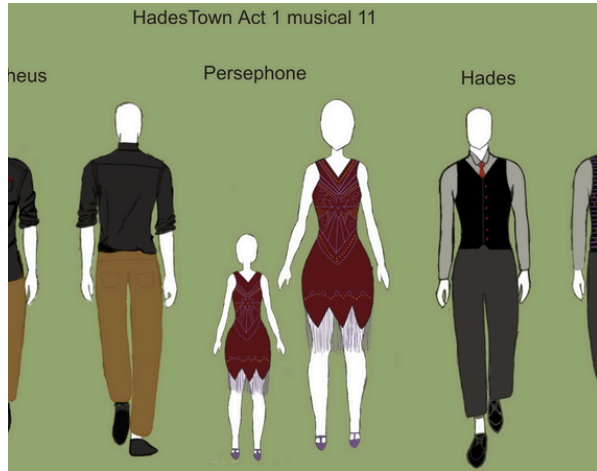
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“movie poster”

Julian Crown Garcia

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“UIL Theatrical Design 23-24 HadesTown”

Kairi Natal

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“Movie Posters”

Kunaja Hutchinson

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“Digital Portfolio”

Abril Resendiz

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“TV Studio Scene in Blender”

Miles Almand

Akins - After School



“Mythical Creatures - Noapoa”

Noaodalys Diaz Choraifi

Manor Senior - Graphic Design Practicum



“Mythical Creatures”

Pujan Tiwari

Manor Senior - Graphic Design Practicum



“2025 Akins Yearbook Cover”

Robert Lockay

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“Mythical Creatures”

Samantha Vences

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“Beetlejuice-Beetlejuice”

Adrian Orduna

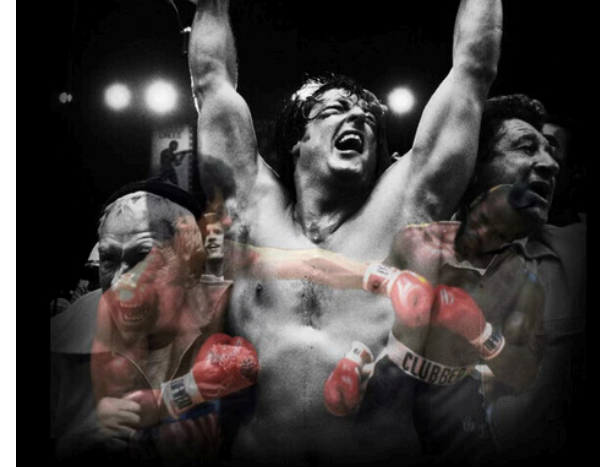
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“Retro-Movie-Poster”

Yaretzi Alvarezmireles

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“Retro Movie Poster”

Alizay Gonzales

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Photography



“A Proudful Moment”

Madison Staman

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“The Golden Hues”

Alizay Gonzales

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“To the heavens”

Ethan Moreno

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“Medusaphotos24”

Ab Daniel Macias Torres

Akins- Photography



“Aydin's Gallery”

Aydin Speros

Akins- Photography



“wings on a flight ”

Ayla Ramirez

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Donna Pierce

Akins- Photography



“Follow”

Emsley Salinas

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“Athlete”

Alexa Reyes

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“ripped paper”

James Everett

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“Josue Photos”

Josue Castellanos Jimenez

Akins- Photography



“Teenage Dream”

Kairi Natal
Akins- Photography



“Portfolio”

Kolby
Akins- Photography



“Nature Pics”

Kunaja Hutchinson
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“Portfolio”

Lilli Crider
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“Courthouse Carousel”

Luna Zook
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“BUTTERFLY EFFECT”

(Israel) Iszy Calahan
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“My project photos”

Miguel Rivera
Akins- Photography



“Digicam Photos”

Miles Almand
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“Family Fun”

Priscilla Acuna

Akins- Photography



“Akins Homecoming Dance 2024”

Robert Lockay

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“The Great Sand Dunes”

Shane Michael Malek

Akins - After School



“Sparkle in the sea”

Xander Ray Mahaffey

Akins- Photography

Journalism



“Every time an election is brought up, one dreaded phrase is uttered—no matter what.

‘My vote doesn’t matter anyways.’”

“Your Vote Matters!”

Robert Lockay

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“Getting Into The Club”

Chloe Harris
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A COLOR GUARD LEADERS Journey

by Castillo and Amare Kratzer
summer after his freshman year, Graber (12) found himself g for something to do. A friend ted he try out an Akins Guard practice. He decided it a go. ally, he was convinced he quit — spinning flags and g didn't seem like his style. 'er, something shifted. “I a bit longer, and it started v on me,” he said. “It e really enjoyable, and I ots of good friends.” at time, the color guard m was in its infancy, only five ers including Graber. Now it arly 30 performers. ing it grow feels incredible,” r said. “It's a bond we built on

our own, and that's what drives us to improve.” As a male in a field traditionally dominated by females, he anticipated some challenges but found nothing but encouragement. “There might b haters out there, but thanks to my community, I haven't experienced it,” he said. Through it all, Color Guard ha shaped him, teaching him confidence, stress management and adaptability. Now that his last season i behind him, Graber is contemplating what lies ahead. “It's emotional, knowing our last competition is over,” he admits. “But I'm happy thinking about how much this program will continue to grow.”

Guarding Halftime
Graber performs during halftime on November 11 at Burger Stadium.
Photo by Lillian Crider



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“A Color Guard Leaders Journey ”

Nathalie Castillo
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Leaping Into Leadership

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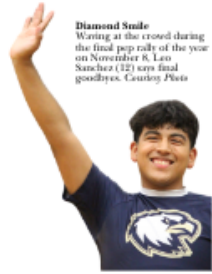
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reconsidered when he was asked
by the other students. "They were
very excited," he said. "They all
kinda expected it, because they've
been telling me I should audition
for captain."

Another thing that Sanchez
accomplished this year is he ran
for, and won, homecoming king.
With the help of the Dazzlers,
Sanchez made posters, Instagram
and TikTok posts, handed out
food with "Vote for Leo" stickers
on them. He had a huge support
system in the Diamonds and
Sapphires.

"Right after they announced (I
won), all the diamonds were
under the bleachers before we
usually go back up to the stands
as a team, the whole team came



Diamond Smile

Waiting at the crowd during
the final pep rally of the year
on November 8, Leo
Sanchez (12) says final
goodbyes. Courtesy Photo

in and were cheering and
congratulating me."

He will always have
memories of being a
Diamond Dazzler. "I never
thought I would become
captain, it's really exciting,"
he said. "It went really well.
It's just like, you know the
beginning."

"DazzLeo: Leaping Into Leadership"

Lillian Crider

Akins - Yearbook

Creative Writing



“The whine of the distant sirens dies. I watch the wheel of a car spin to a stop a few feet away. A tall black boot of straps steps out. It crashes into the mixed puddle of crimson blood, car fluids, glass, and the rain. Her hand reaches down and takes the folder from me gently.

‘Thanks, little brother,’
The discordance lulls. The rain stops.”

“Lights in The Rain”

Max Melton

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OLDER LORA (V.O.)

But what was hurting me the most
was believing that an addiction
could result in a real connection,
something more that could prove

that the pain-

HARVEY(O.S.)

(reading quietly to
herself)

“-I put myself through and had a
purpose.”

“Cigarettes & Clarity”

Emsley Salinas

Akins - After School



“Sitting in a hospital bed
all day long, attached to
an IV, and watching the
hands on a wall clock tick
by is not the ideal way a
seven year old wants to
spend their day, but that’s
how my life was for half of
second grade.”

“Climbing Past the Challenges”

Chloe Harris

Akins - Yearbook

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JESSICA:

I'm so sorry to do this, my sweet Anna, but I don't want you to live like I do. This will be a good place for you to stay.

She puts the basket with ANNA down on the ground.

JESSICA: (con't)

Hopefully a nice couple will adopt you, but I promise I will come back for you.

“Life with Anna Screenplay”

Noah Riley Mansel

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The lines gliding onto the scroll stole the attention of my eye and lured me into a trance until they were suddenly interrupted by a giant, spiky, morning-star-looking explosion of ink.

“Then KABOOM! We’ll blow the joint up and run like hell,” exclaimed B-2. “The Sixers won’t know what hit ‘em.”

“Sixer Sabotage”

Robert Lockay

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Filmmaking & Animation



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“Dumb-Dumbs in Dungeons: Serpent Slayers”

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“Heavy Light”

Ian Timmer

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“KMJA-7 Demo”

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“Take Care of Texas”

Luna Zook
Akins - After School



“Poison”

Emsley Salinas
Akins - After School



“The akins coin”

Dominic Jordan Yanes
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Interactive Media



“AI's Cellar”

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“veggies before dessert”

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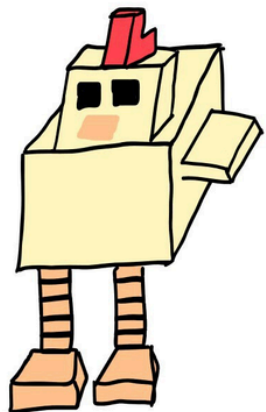


“Personal Website Redesign”

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“Minecraft Lore”

Maria Ramirez

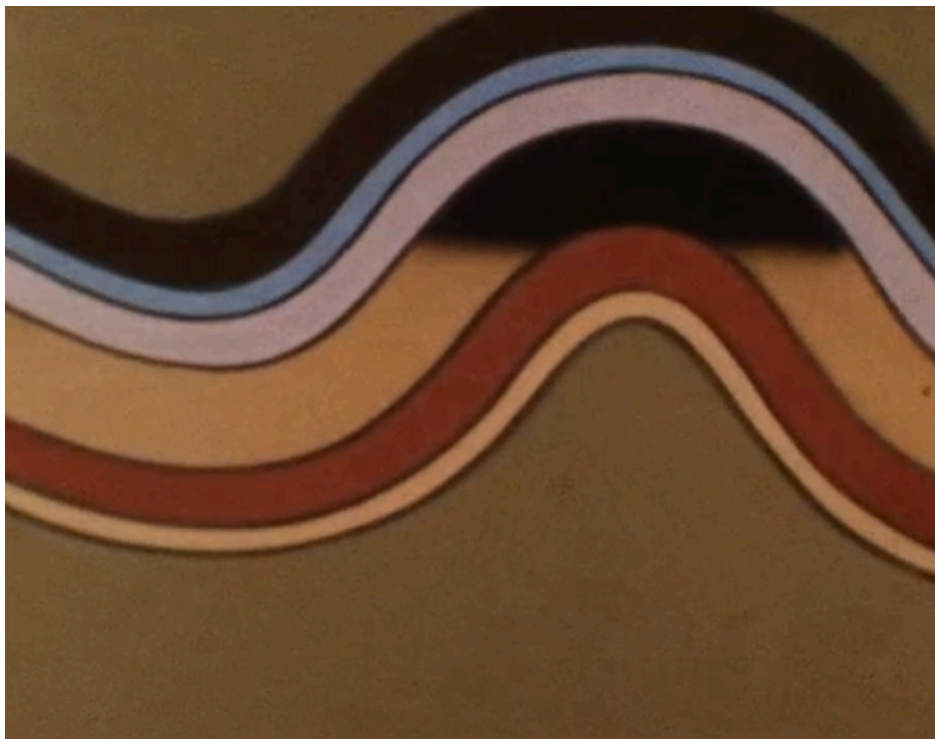
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Music



“Blithe - IS'ZMUZIK (music)”
(Israel)Iszy Calahan
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“Causeway - Music/Video”

Miles Almand

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“Journey's Escape”

Hector Santivanez

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“Night in The Desert”

Shane Michael Malek

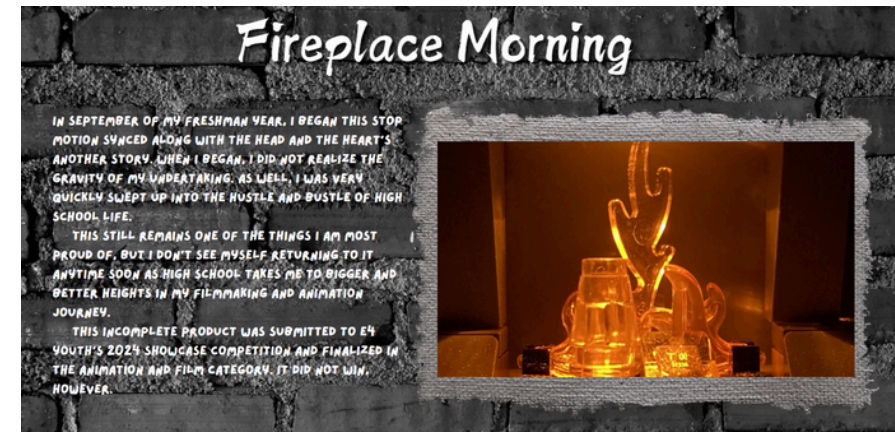
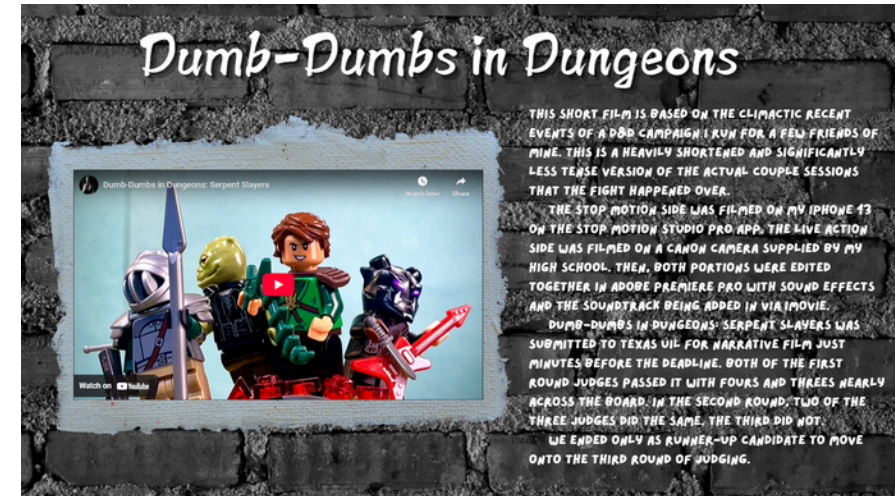
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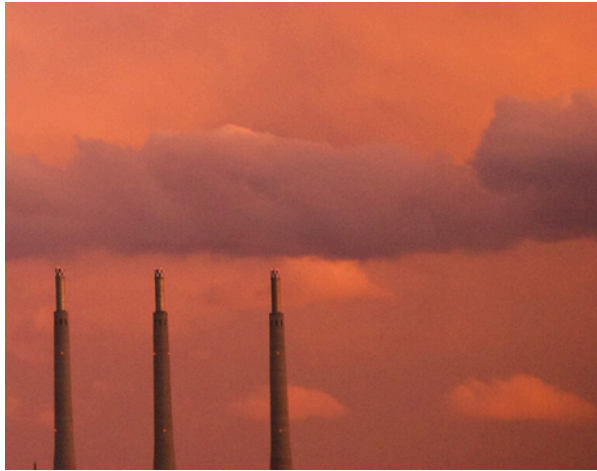
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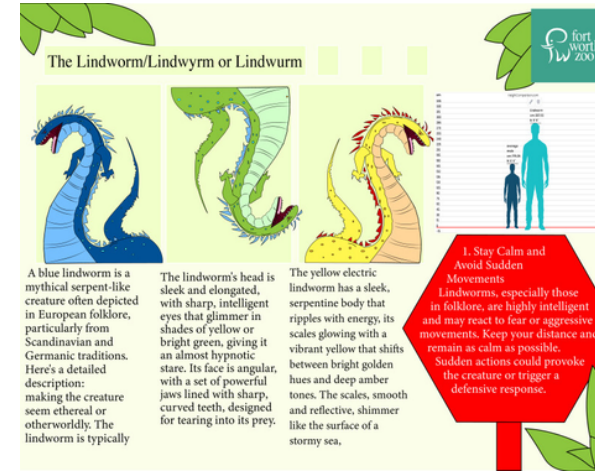
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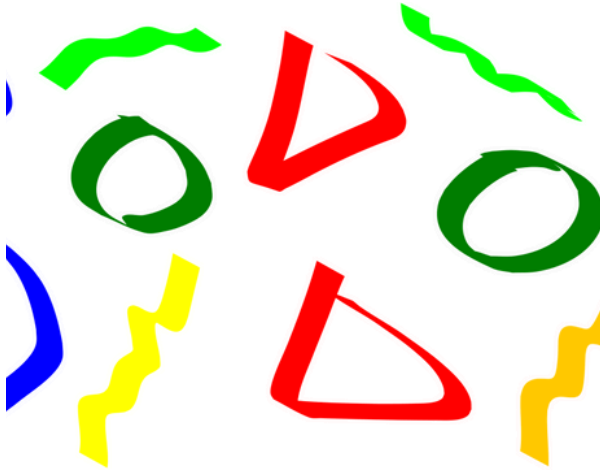
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