



*waif*

What is Waif.

When that noise is so white you can't even hear it.

Messy hair is waif, but so are bangs.

Waped Veed is Vaify.

Waif is when you fall down the stairs but still can't scrape your knee.

Waif is when you play the piano & you don't know how to play the piano.

Waif is when you play piano really well. And drums. Because you were taught.

Kix is Waif. So is special K. Trix is not Waif.

Whores are Waif. Prudes are Waif. Dudes are Waif. Nudes are Waif.

Your Grandmother is Waif, only when she's knitting a hat for you, you Waif.

Waif is when your corn shows up later.

Gardening is Waif. Love your dead plants.

Waif is when you shave every single hair on your body. Waif is when you've never cut a single hair on your body since birth.

Talent shows are Waif. Throw a talent show. Invite us.

Arms that jiggle like hot jello are Waif.

Zit Scabs are Waif.

Chicken feet are Waif.

Beady eyes are Waif.

You can't spell Waif without I.

Leave the taps dribbling overnight if it's below 30 degrees fahrenheit.

You, me, all, we're all Waif. If we want to be. And we want to be.

# ***waif***

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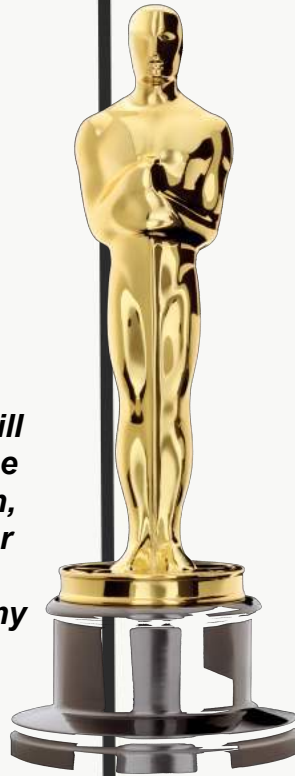
By Raina Daigneault

# WAIF



**\* MR. PEANUT**  
Millions of Citizens were trauma-bated this week by someone once considered an American Hero; the "Yellow Doctor" who faked his own death. What will it take to forgive?

**\* SHOWERING RAT**  
Is it CGI? A puppet? Perhaps it's been trained? These are the questions we must ask about every Waif. And in response, a Waif will cry out; "You Will Never Know"



**\* OSCARS**  
For the first time the award show will be splitting into two ceremonies; the SheScars, celebrating the sexy men, aired this weekend during the Super Bowl and the ManScars, set to air Feb 9, will celebrate those with funny things to say



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**\* NANCY THE RIPPER**  
The Speaker of the House tore it up on the dance floor after the State of the Union Tuesday much to the chagrin of the president, who can't dance very well at all

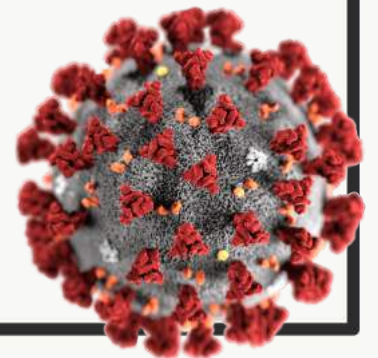
**\* KENT STATE JABOUKIE**  
The comedian went convincingly undercover first as the infamous Gun Girl and then as the FBI before getting banned from twitter; prompting us all to wonder, "Is it that easy?" If so, then you are reading the New Yorker, please venmo us to keep your subscription, ty



**\* THE SUPERBOWL**  
Congrats again to the wining team!

**\* 1 WORLD HALSEY**  
Jet fuel can't melt steel beams, but can Halsey's delightfully unpolished 3rd Album, "Manic"? Stay tuned for our series on Pop Terrorism!

**\* CORONAVIRUS**  
She's killing it this season



# FASHION



# **NO!**

**This Nightmare Must**

**End:**

**In the Name of Humanity,**

**We REFUSE to Accept Fashion in America**

# ***the beanie***



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## VANITY FAYRE ON THE 35TH FLOOR//

London UK, October 2019

London is a city full of opportunities, fashion, cool people and it beats out a rhythm you can't resist. Never the same, always changing and 'influencing' new generations of 'influential' people. Moving to London can be like a dream come true, Formula Rossa and complete chaos. Living your own, independent, mature life at age of 19, away from your homies and small town somewhere in \_Eastern Europe \*is great/sucks. You can truly express yourself here- wanna be an artist? Go for it! Wanna be that guy walking fast, in his Ted Baker suit (because a gentleman will walk but never run according to one of Sting's song)? Go for it! Wanna be gay? Sure, why not. I was new to the City @GettheLondonlook and my knowledge and experience with the gay scene were quite limited. Me and Best Eastern Mate went to the most popular, the largest gay club in Europe.

**Glitter, hot guys kissing, more glitter, drag queens and "Born this way" in the background.**

**We are In Heaven.**

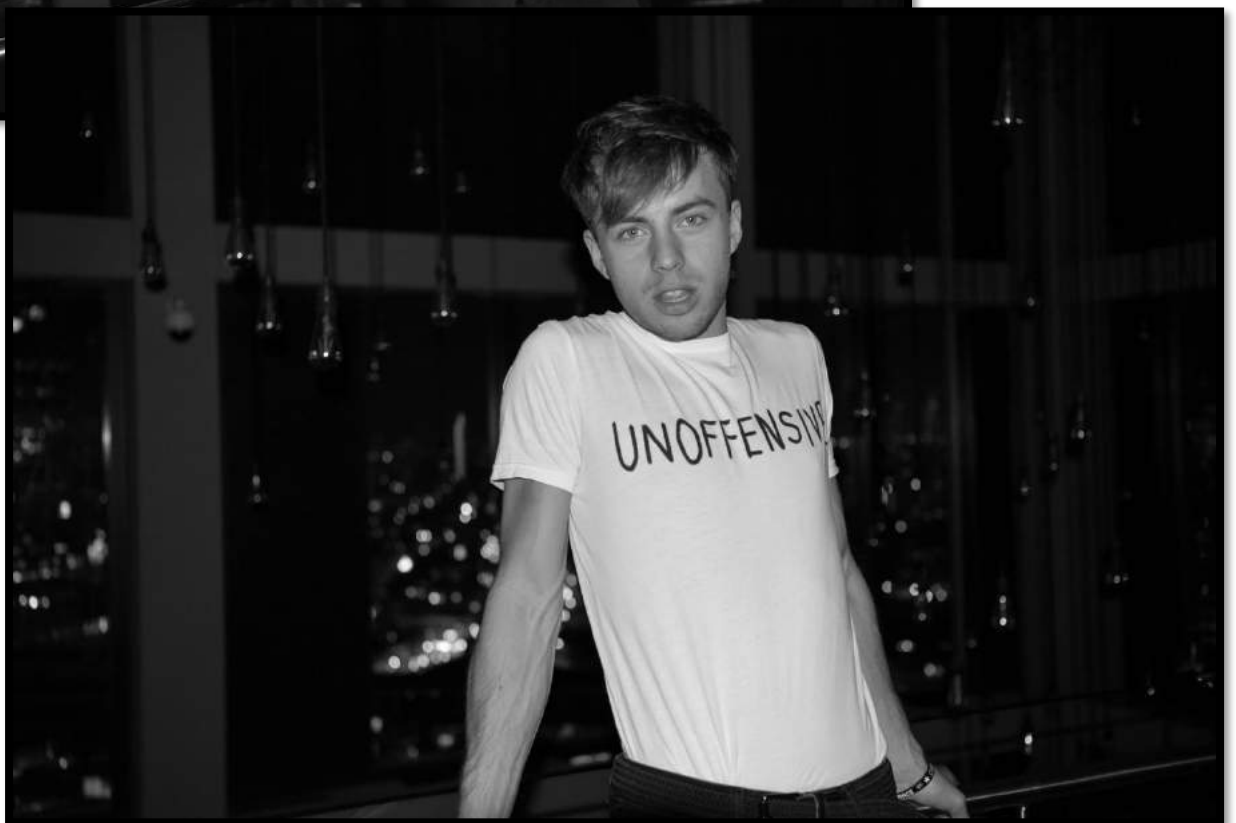


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Do you remember when we went for Jagermeister shots? Best Eastern Mate the next day  
What shots? My ineluctable smile.

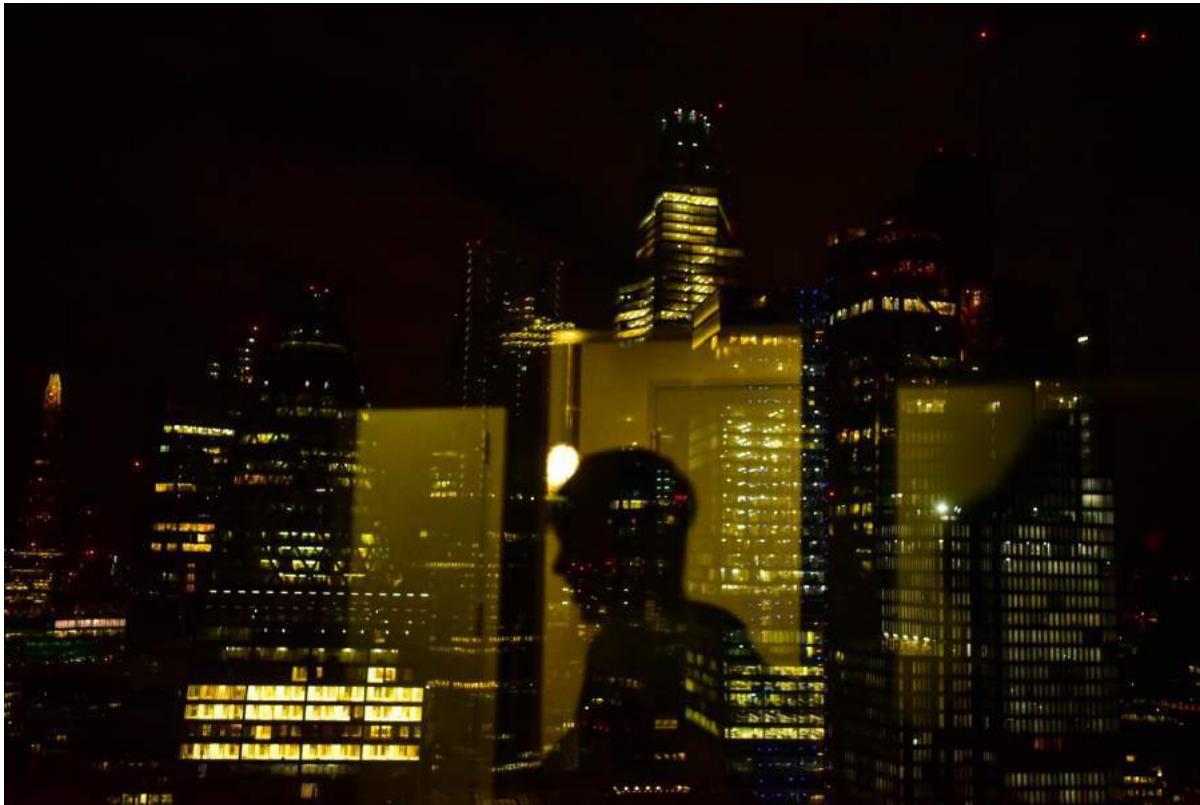
The music rolled as we hit the dancefloor. The club was stuffed with bunch/ mixture of beautiful people. I clearly remember ordering Wódka= Vodka as we Eastern Europeans tend to do, right? I clearly remember meeting this girl.

We all know this type- tall, porcelain face with long blond hair smelling *La vie est belle*, drinking expensive Tequila with lemon and salt on top. Coincidence that she is from the same \_Eastern Country.



- What about going to my place? Asked the pure Slavic girl.

Thanks to my last 3 sober  
brain cells which told me  
to carry my camera on that  
day.

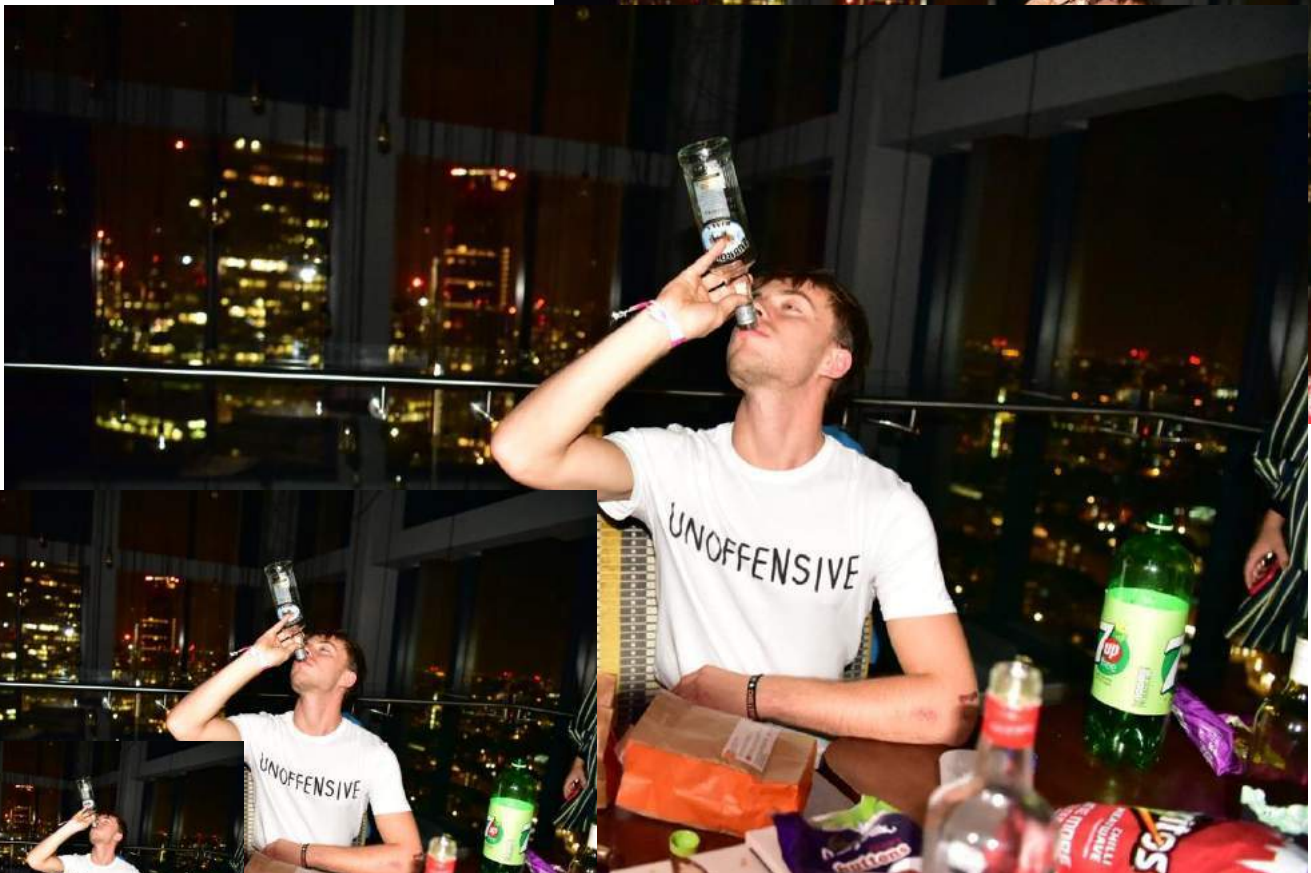
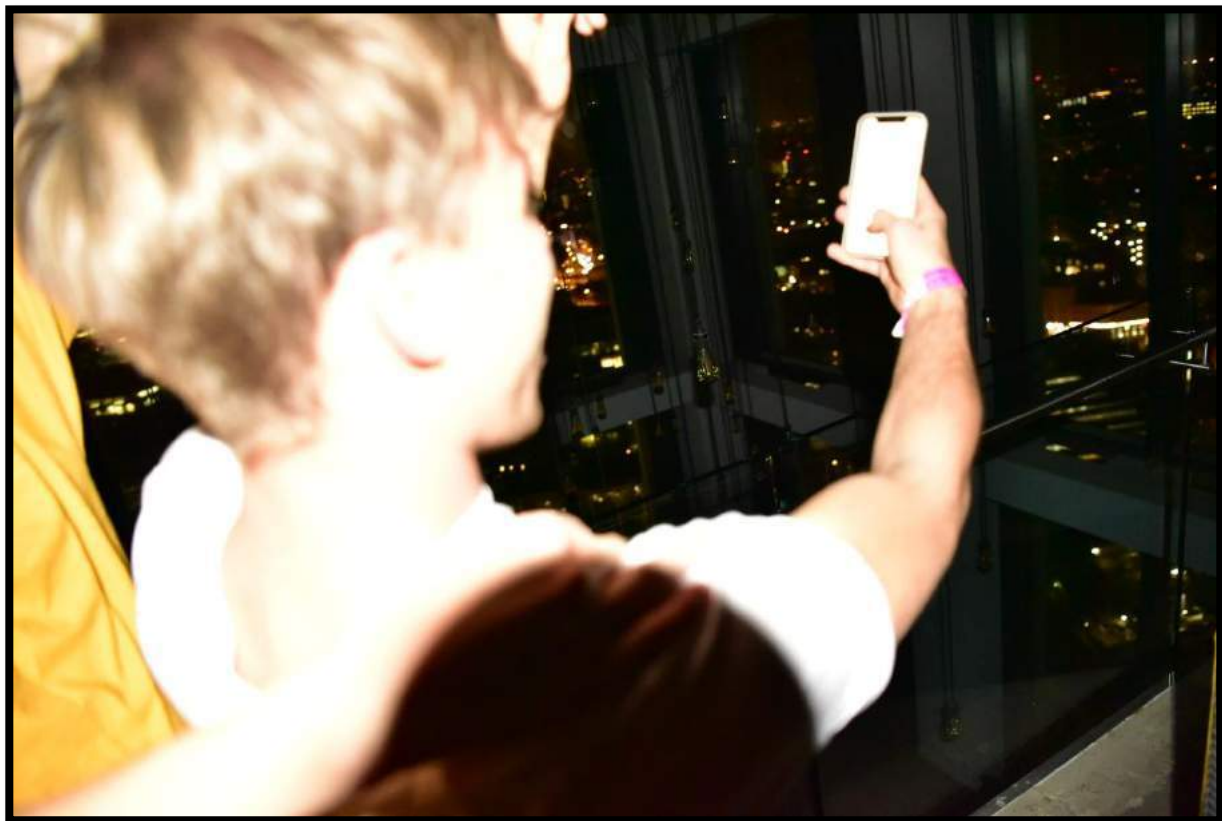


She doesn't look neither like drug or organs dealer, so what can go wrong, right?

The night was nearly gone but lights are always on here. Lights, camera, action.

On our way, we grab the cheapest vines and the biggest bottle of Wódka = Vodka we can get in the fanciest district of London. Concierge opens the door and here we are in an elevator/ a lift going up to 35th floor of student accommodation building. In the meantime, we manage to knock back the bottles of vine. It was The View. The view on the whole financial district with skyscrapers, The Shard and flow of River Thames where dreams should become reality.

Work B\*\*ch playing in my head.



This view doesn't impress her anymore. Her room is ordinary and wine is too cheap.

There are a few electronic devices left on the table next to us, their value is probably higher than my annual rent. None cares if you watch them as long as it's not recorded/ posted online. They don't want your money or organs; only IG and snap nick. Where is your Burberry scarf and Gin&tonic (but shaken not stirred one)? We don't wanna go home; Better dance for us. You're fucked but, oh, you're sooo fun; How you holding on? More law and medicine students joined us in 'Lifestyle goals' alcoholization on the 35<sup>th</sup> floor.

- I walked for Versace, but my parents what me to become a lawyer – said one of the Vanity Fayre participants
- Maybe we can hang out next week?
- Sorry mate, Going on holidays.
- Next week, I will buy a house for 1 million £££
- Where do you live? Is zone 3 still London? What's the rent and how many square meters?
- I am tired of this Italian restaurant, btw my watch is *Rolex*- I admire craftsmanship
- Do you need to use public transport? There are so many germs. Sorry for you
- Give me your IG and Snap nickname; What's your name?
- Take another one, I look ugly on this one! One more! Let me take a selfie!
- Eastern Europe sounds dangerous; Do you have polar bears on the streets?
- Do you have democracy there? – that's actually doubtful lately

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*art.*  
*submit.*

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*seeks new talent*

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The postman senses  
fear and leaves my  
package in the vestibule

In Love  
with the  
Devil

**God Complex**  
**Photos by Daniel Aros**

*Other magazines interview the subject of their photos. For Refuse Fashion, Waif is sitting down with photographer, Daniel Aros, to discuss vision and spirituality through his photos with drag performer, God Complex.*



***“I fell out of love with music when I got to NY. All I knew was top 40; I felt like I was not as sophisticated...”***



***...everyone was referencing French synth pop and I just couldn't participate in the conversation.”***

***“Visual art was something I could do myself and execute myself. It’s more individual.”***



***“I was raised Southern Baptist, so there’s always been this melodrama when it comes to the devil.”***



***"I'm absolutely a spiritual person..."***



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***...I can never just step away from God and every day it grows a little bit different."***

TY OF  
LOVE  
WE  
LIVE



***"I don't know what to expect in the afterlife, but we'll get there."***



***“Everybody wants to dance with the devil,  
you know?”***



***BADMAN***

***BABYBOY***

***//***

***Photographed by Toni Smalls***  
***Written by Lavender Katz***





Baby Boy



In their Bushwick studio, Malkam and Erick are looking for the perfect font for the newest BadmanBabyboy hoodie. The hoodie is baby blue and supposedly size 4xl, although we all agree its a large at most. Erick shows Malkam a bold font, in which the capital letters are backed by outlined moons. They like it, but realize a friend of theirs uses the same one in his designs. “This is no time to be cliché,” Malkam says. It could be something of a motto for Malkam, the Jamaican born artist who's been working on BadmanBabyboy for all of his adult life. His designs have gained

traction recently, after the rapper Ski Mask the Slump God wore a BadmanBabyboy Chuckie t-shirt in the video for “DoIHaveTheSause?” but Malkam is the first to admit that being an independent designer is a grind. He makes the pieces to order, creating each design with the help of his co-creator Ana Slade, Erick’s embroidery machine and a print shop in the West Village. He started creating in high school when, before going to school one day, he realized he was not feeling the pair of pink slacks he had on. He decided to take matters into his own hands and spent the morning drawing a complex and precise pattern all along the legs. His friends at school were astonished; they wanted to know where he'd gotten the pants. It was then he knew he was onto something. Now he watches as designers like Dior create pieces suspiciously similar to his own. It’s not surprising; most mainstream designers have scouts in the younger artist scene to seek out trends. Malkam isn't fazed. He does his own thing and he does it well. He’s known for selling his pieces out and about. With his quick wit and warmth of spirit, he's entrancing to be around. Malkam is also his own best customer,

***“This is no time to be cliché.”***





FAMILY  
MAN

rocking exclusively BadmanBabyboy pieces from head to toe. Well, almost to toe; his shoes today are a pair of leopard print lace ups which majestically match with every piece of his he tries on. A pair of pink and blue basketball shorts with "Babyboy" vinyl printed in tiny glittery letters, a "Fuck Supreme" hoodie, a yellow crewneck with three dragon flies screen printed and then embroidered over with a delicate brown thread. As Malkam shows us his pieces, Erick continues working on the new design, having landed on a font (simple italicized block letters) he starts up the embroidery machine. The Babyboy logo, a baby sitting naked except for a red bucket hat, has been cleaned up since their last round of designs, despite Malkam's insistence that it's better messy. Erick, who has his own embroidery brand "Mirror Services," acts as a sort of conscience to

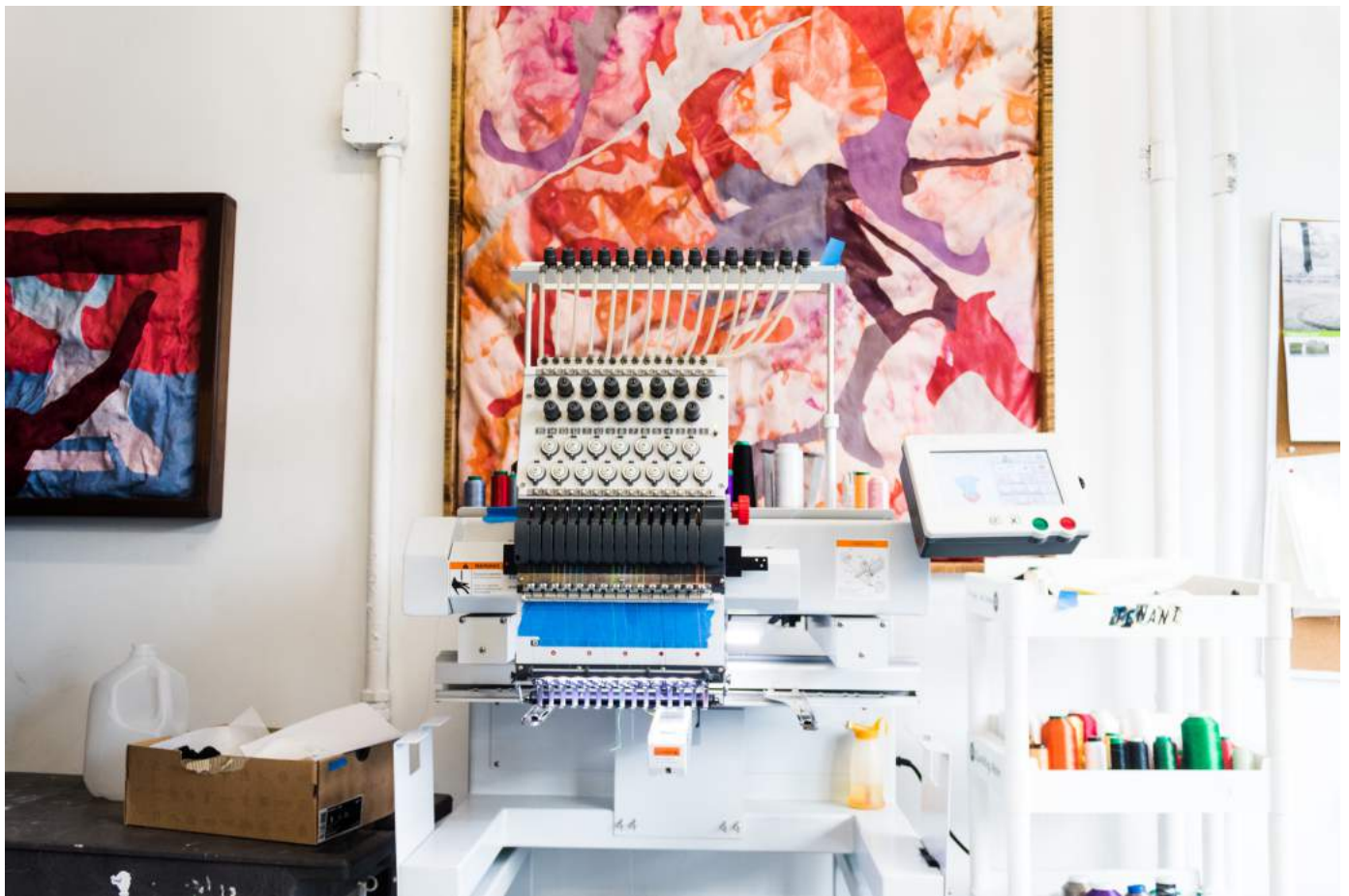
Malkam, guiding him gently but never impeding on his creative flow. Malkam has ADD and speaks of it with pride. He knows it helps and hinders him, he'll get an idea and run with it only to be distracted by another which he feels deserves the same attention. He's right to follow his instincts; the BadmanBabyboy collection is elegant, bold and walks the fine line of trustworthy and surprising which so many designers strive for. In the studio we watch as the machine whirls away, embroidering one color at a time by Erick's direction. As the baby forms under the needlepoint, Malkam beams with pride. I wonder if this sweatshirt is for anyone specific but my guess is Malkam will wear it out himself, and it won't be long before a stranger in the street buys it right off his back. ♦













FUCK  
Supreme



he brings  
you milk



***CLAUD'S  
RULES TO  
LIVE BY//  
((BY CLAUD))***

***Photographed by Kristen J Wong***



*Books are fine,  
kind of overrated.*

*If you're cold,  
grow armpit hair.*



*Not all people who run  
are being chased.*



*Always fix your wedgie, even if it's awkward.*





*Spend more time with people  
who are different than you.*



*Allergic reactions can be life threatening.*



*Tiktok cures loneliness.*



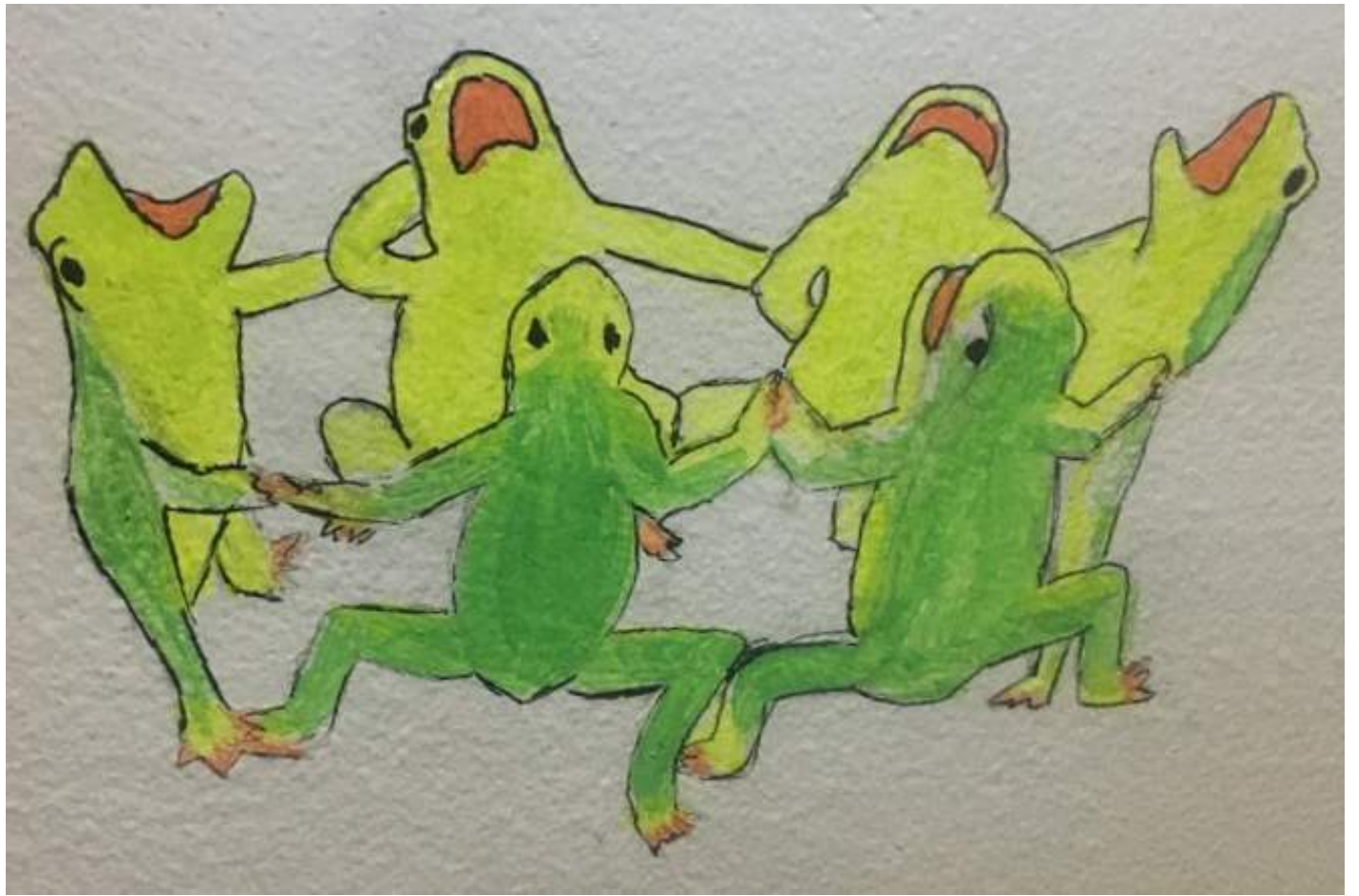
***Wearing AirPods does not count as accessorizing your outfit.***



Say YES to autotune  
and NO to drugs.



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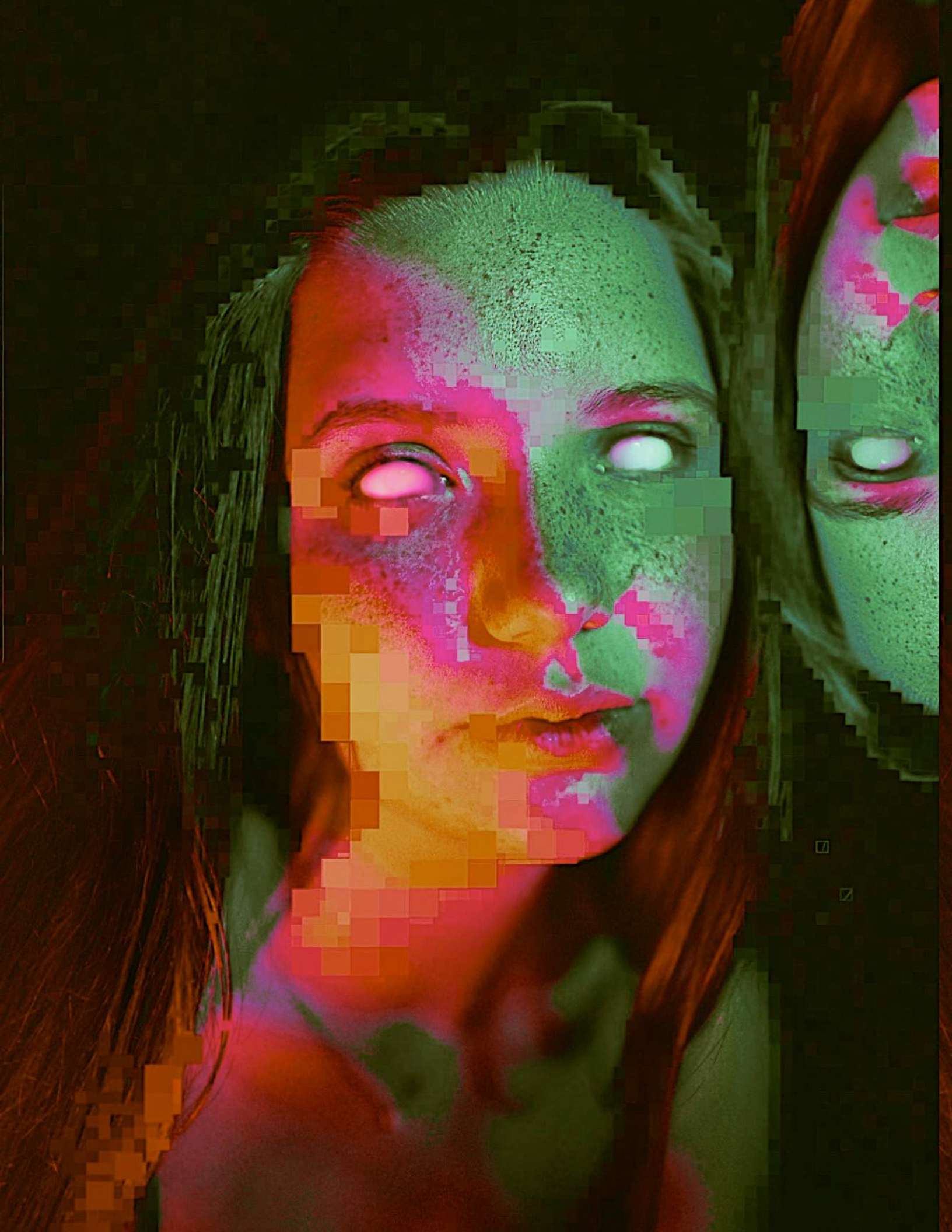
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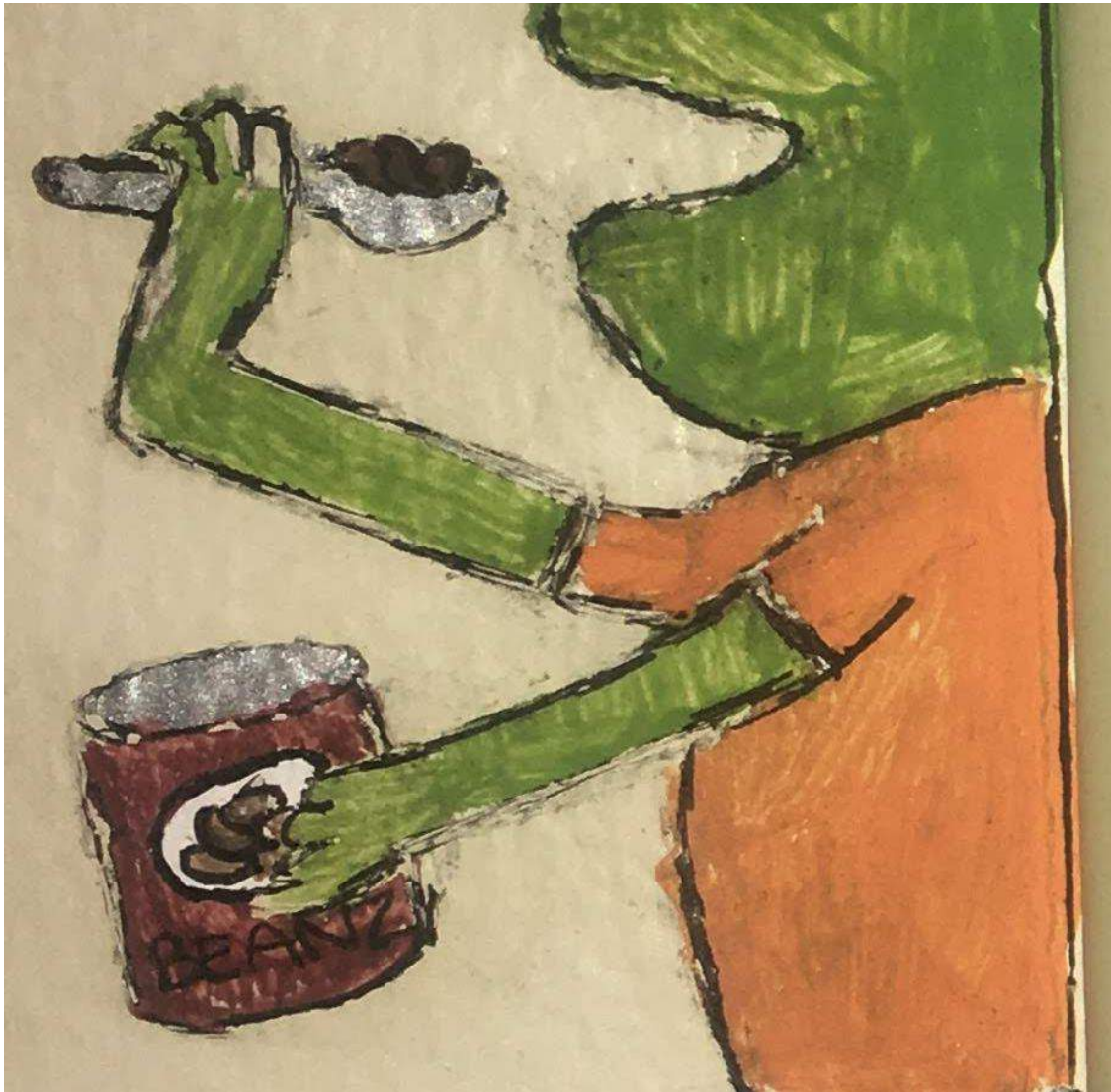












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