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YOUTH ILLUSTRATED



Zara Clydesdale, age 15, Youth Art Prize

CREATED FOR YOUTH IN THE
WELLINGTON SHIRE

SUBMISSIONS FROM YOUTH

Poetry, stories, music
and general art from
the youth of Wellington

UPCOMING + RECENT EVENTS

A compiled list of free
upcoming activities and
events in the Shire

CURATED CHAOS

Current news and
pop culture as told by
our Youth Councillors



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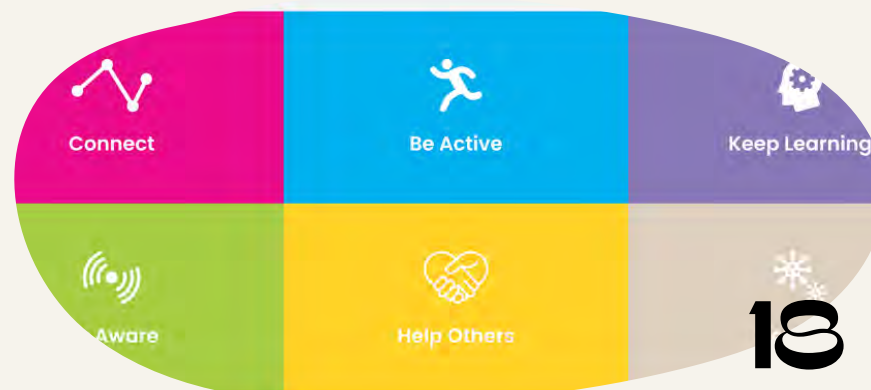
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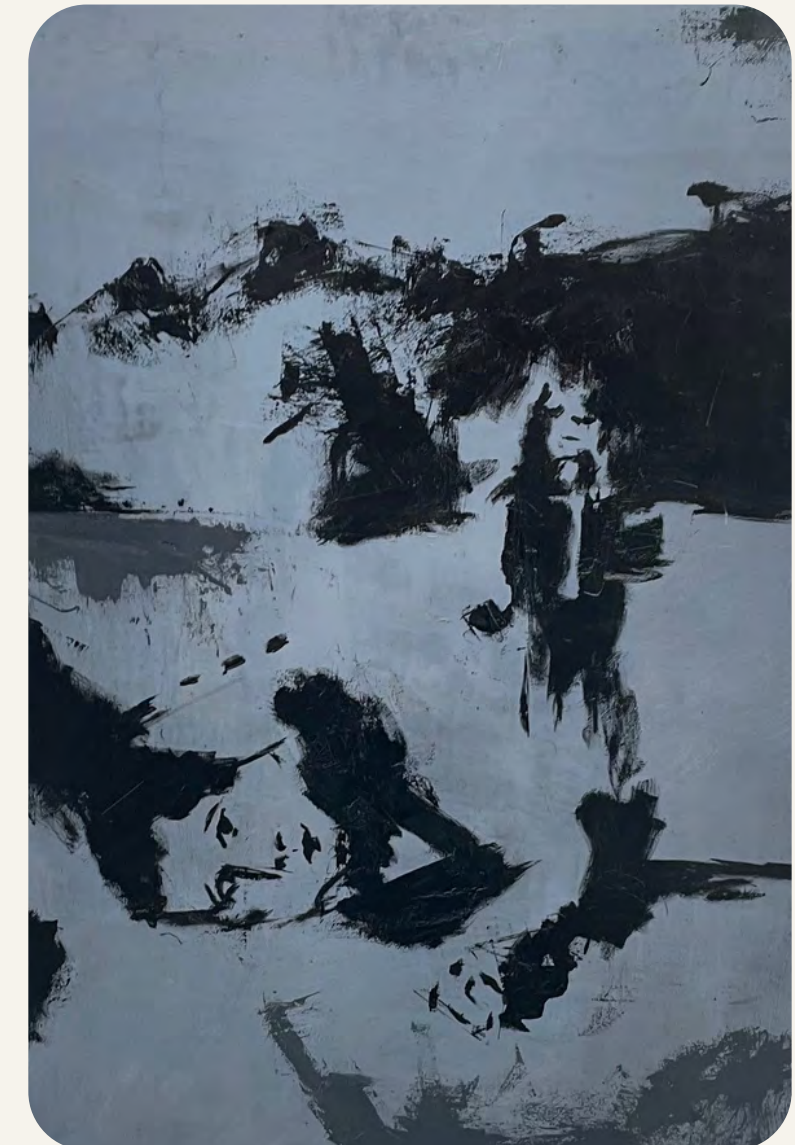
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EDITORIAL

The Wellington Shire Youth Council would like to begin this zine by acknowledging the traditional owners and custodians of the land, air and water in which this zine was created.

We want to pay our respects to Elders past and present, and emerging. We also extend this respect to any Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples that may be reading today.

We acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to bettering this community and wider region.

Aboriginal land was never formally ceded, full sovereignty was and still remains in the hands of our Aboriginal population.

Always Was, Always Will Be.



This project has been in the works for around 8 months, it started as a conversation between a small group of Youth Councillors who wanted to find a new way of connecting and interacting with young people across Wellington. We are hoping that this online zine provides another way to break down any barriers between young people and Youth Council.

While this project has been created by Youth Council, we want it to be yours. We want to share your experiences, your art, and your interests.

We also really welcome your feedback ...What do you like about this? What do you think could be improved? Be sure to let us know your thoughts, and share your contributions, so our next Summer edition can be even better!

Did we mention that this is going to be a seasonal zine?.

We hope that you love this zine as much as we do, and are able to take something away from it.

- Wellington Shire
Youth Council team





an essay on new beginnings

BY Hayley White

Spring can mean different things to everyone. There's no one size fits all when it comes to thoughts, feelings, and opinions; they will always be subjective.

To me, Spring makes me feel happy, free, excited. I have a love for all seasons, and although winter is my number one, spring is a close second.

I don't know if I'm the only one who feels this way, but depending on the season my feelings and connection towards the earth and Mother Nature changes. I know talking about feeling connected and one with the earth can be difficult, because not everyone feels that way or is open to the idea that it's possible and that's completely okay. However, I don't feel as though us as human beings should be afraid to discuss these things and how we feel about them because we're afraid of what others may think.

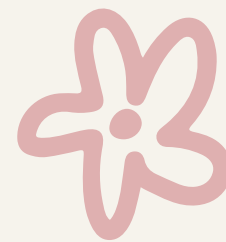
Spring gives out a freeing energy, a feeling of pure serenity. The leaves are returning to trees, animals are coming out of hibernation, the air is refreshing, and the earth looks green again.

Now let's talk new beginnings

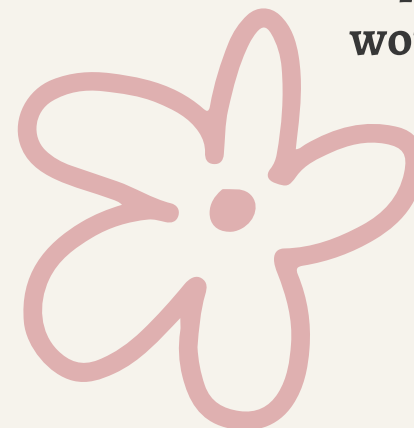
I am very familiar with new beginnings. I was 3 years old the first time we moved to a new house, and overall I've lived in 8 different houses and been to 4 different schools in different districts.

It's never easy moving from one place to another, especially when you're a kid. You have to leave not only your friends behind, but a house you've grown up in. I struggled a lot when we moved. I've always had anxiety but it increased significantly when we moved and I had to start a new school. I felt horrible about myself and that later turned into severe anxiety and depression, something that I was able to overcome.

I wish I could I say that new beginnings are always a great thing, but in my case that wasn't true. At least that's how I felt at that time in my life. I'm now realising that new beginnings are different for everyone. We all have our own individual experiences, and things we go through in life. One new beginning in your life might affect you significantly, but someone who experiences the same thing it may not affect them at all.



The key thing here is to not compare your experiences and your situation with another person. No two people are alike, and the same goes for experiences. As I'm writing this, I'm realising that I wouldn't be who I am without those experiences.



I never would have found my passion for writing and poetry, and looking back now, I wouldn't change that for anything.

Beef Wellington

Easy Broccoli Pasta

Ingredients

230g . uncooked spaghetti
340g broccoli florets with stems
1 tbsp. olive oil
1 tbsp. butter
3 garlic cloves
¼ tsp. red pepper flakes or to taste
2 cups vegetable stock
½ tsp. salt or to taste
½ cup heavy cream
1 cup Parmesan



Instructions

- Cook the angel hair pasta according to the directions on the box. Drain and set aside.
- Take the broccoli and chop the florets off the stalk. Then, slice the stalks lengthwise into small sticks and finely dice them.
- In a large cooking pot, add the olive oil, butter, red pepper flake, and garlic. Stir the ingredients together as the butter melts, and then pour in the vegetable broth.
- Add the broccoli florets and stalks, and then the salt. Make sure the broccoli is fully submerged in the liquid. Cook on the stove top for 20 minutes, until it's tender.
- Add the cream, Parmesan cheese, and angel hair pasta. Stir everything together and then let it rest for 10 minutes.
- Using tongs, give the pasta another stir. Then, sprinkle Parmesan cheese on top. Serve immediately with another sprinkle of Parmesan.



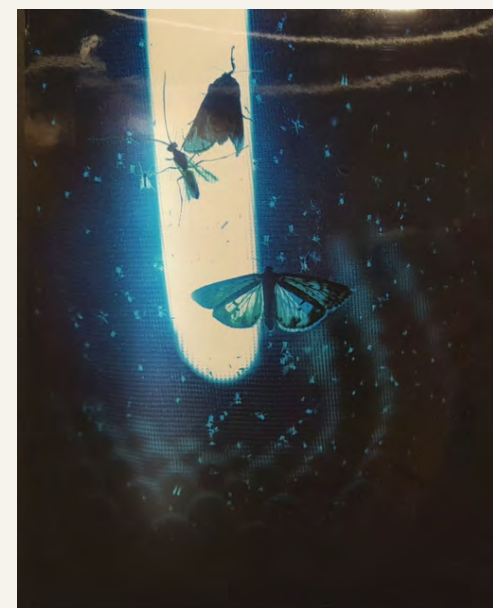
Wellington Youth Art Prize

The Wellington Youth Art Prize is an annual art prize, initiated by former Youth Councillor Christopher Valette in 2013. This year's exhibition is in the Community Gallery area on level 2 at the Port of Sale.

Each year the Youth Council team decide on a theme for the prize, and this year the theme was "What Happens in the Night". 53 talented artists responded to the theme, and a celebratory exhibition opening was held on Friday 26 August.

As always we were blown away by the talent and variety of responses to the theme, as were the three judges this year! They took hours to finally settle on the winners.

Youth Councillors would like to congratulate everyone in the exhibition. Keep your eye open for the date of WYAP 2023.



Mitchell Johnson, aged 24,

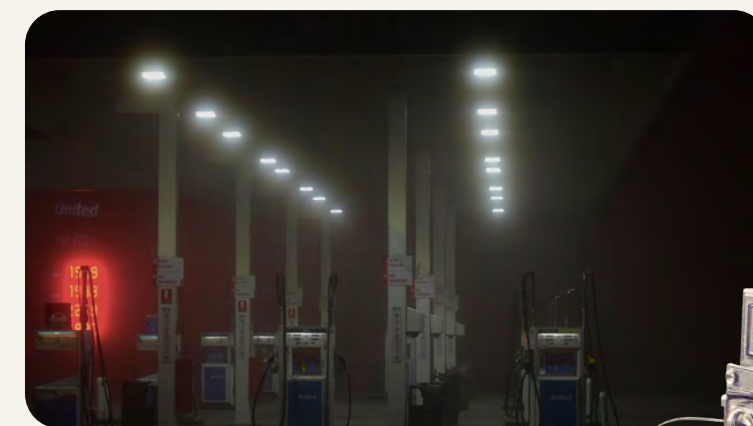
Ultra modern Attraction

This piece relates to the theme by showcasing a variety of insects being attracted to an artificial UV light during the night when most creatures are asleep.



Phoenix Muir, age 18, Hysteria

I have decided to depict the theme 'What Happens in the Night' by displaying the vulnerability and loneliness that can come with the night; every emotion comes to play at once almost as if i go into a state of hysteria.



Grace Smolenaars, age

18

I took this photo after a late night run to the servo to get some ice cream. I was inspired by the way the lights shone through the thick fog that was there that night.



Charli Maree Saywell, aged 14, Moon Lily Refelctions

My work connects with the theme by showing a closed water lily in front of a full moon, as lilies close during the night and the reflection of an open lily showing the "magic" of the night

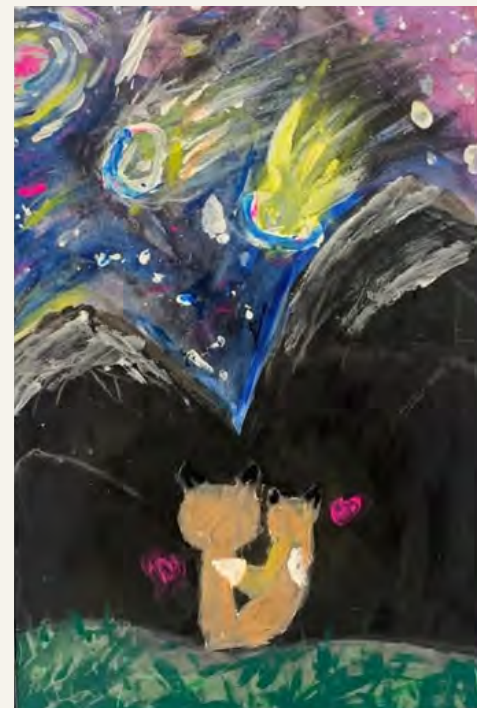
Congratulations to this year's winning entries!



Zaralee McAuliffe-Douthat,
20-25 year olds



Michela Savage,
14-15 year olds



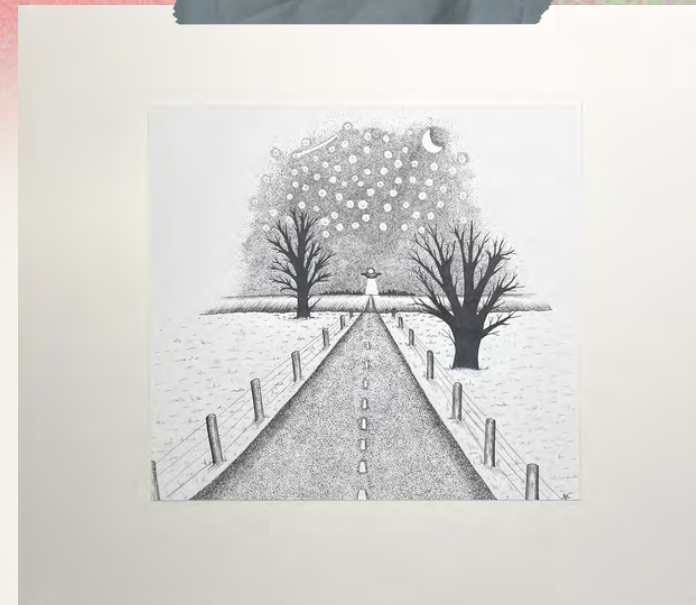
Bethany Ritchie
12-13 year olds



Georgie Donohue,
16-19 year olds

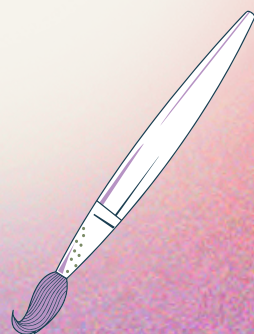
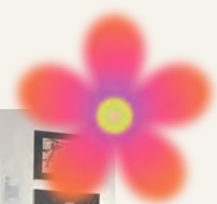


People's choice...



Gemma Casanova, age 16

The Youth Art Prize People's Choice Award is still yet to come, you can vote by going to the Port of Sale above the Art Gallery and voting on the QR codes provided with the artworks.



friendly reminder to

DISCONNECT FROM

YOUR PHONE

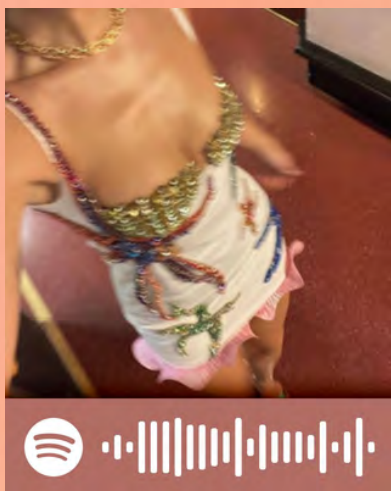
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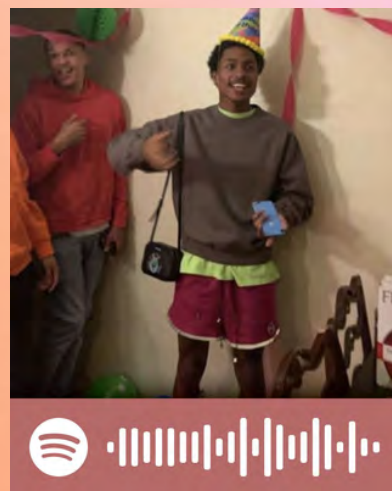
it's really good for you



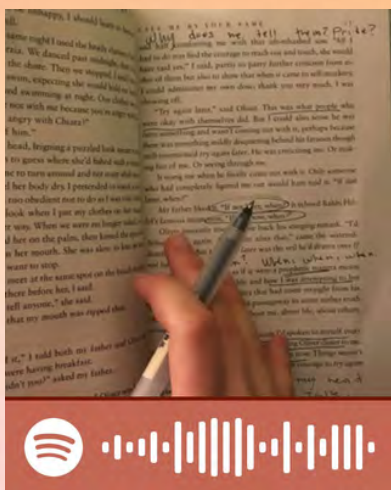
top playlist picks of Spring



pretty - coco & clair
- claudiaalgeri



bad habit
- gideon sepulveda



rory gilmore studying
- issy filipowicz



70's groove
- winnie farry



Rainbow Ball

The rainbow ball was an LGBTQIA+ event held in Bairnsdale during August by the EG Youth Ambassadors. To be a part of local LGBTQIA+ groups, join or look into AXIOS at [this link](#).



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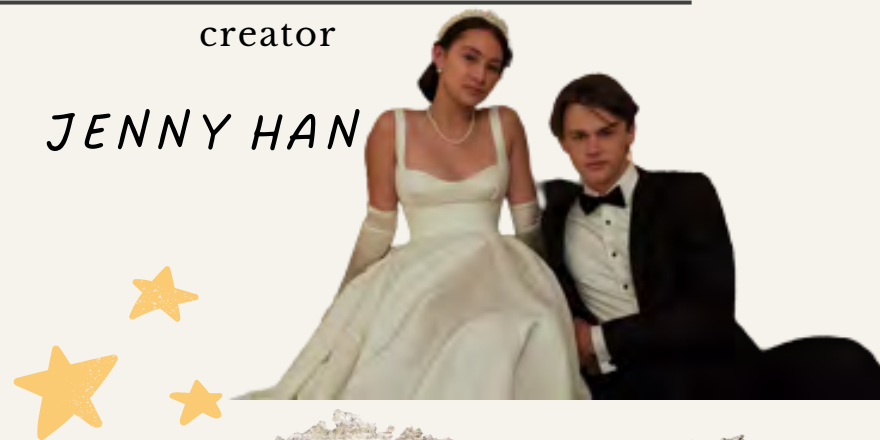
YA, DRAMA,
ROMANCE

cast

LOLA TUNG,
JACKIE CHUNG,
RACHEL
BLANCHARD,
GAVIN
CASALENGO,
CHRISTOPHER
BRINEY**TITLE:**
*THE SUMMER I
TURNED PRETTY*

creator

JENNY HAN



Description: The Summer I Turned Pretty follows the story of a teen girl Belly, who spends the Summer with family and friends, learning lessons in sustaining friendships and making mistakes as she undergoes the journey into adulthood. With a cast of upcoming stars, the show is a perfect portrayal of the teenage love triangle.

I loved the show because of the artistry of the camera shots, and the feel-good atmosphere in combination with heartbreaking moments and fun music. The ratio of second-hand embarrassment to heartfelt laughter and tears is evenly spread, making the show a lively and entertaining watch.

Rating:

CASSIE

The Inheritance Games**series****by Jennifer Lynn Barnes**

This story follows Avery, who has always been in the background, and is suddenly thrown into a deadly game of money, secrets and lies after being left with a billionaire's fortune.



I loved this series, because it's so easy for you to fall in love with the characters and care about their stories.

The author is careful to makes sure there are no plot holes and everything fits perfectly together. This is something i love when reading the book.

where to buy:

The first two books in the series are out and available online and in stores like Big W and Kmart. The third is set to be released in September. Amazon is currently developing a series based on the first book

"you're the glass
ballerina - or
the knife"

ZANELLE

Upcoming

events

in the

wellington shire 🌻🌻

Sale College VCAL, 'A Better Life for Foster Kids' Trivia Night, 13 Sep, Sale College Senior Campus

Films at the Bundy, Bundalaguah Hall, 7pm, Sep 28, Oct 26, Nov 2

★ Upswing Festival 7 Oct, Port of Sale 4-7pm

Vocal workshop with the Maes 23 Oct, 11am-12:30pm, Stratford Courthouse Theatre

Inward Goods Music Festival Briag 4-6 Nov, Briagolong, age 18+

Maffra Makers Market 13 Nov, 8am-1pm, Maffra Memorial Hall

Sale Country Music Festival 18-19 Nov, Sale Turf Club



Wellington ways to wellbeing for this spring

connect -



call a friend or family member that you don't get to talk to often

be aware -

check out local places to clean up the earth <3



keep learning -

sign up for a free online course

be active -

help others -

look out for places in your community to volunteer your time to

take a pet or friend on a walk around your neighbourhood



Local charities

As a way to help you make an active difference in your community, we are offering local organisations, charities or places to volunteer.

A Better Life for Foster Kids trivia night



All are welcome to Sale College's trivia night for a charity organisation in Sale. The year 12 VCAL students are organising a fundraiser event which is being held 13 September, from 6pm - 8.30pm at their senior campus.

- Teams of 6 - come as a team **or as an individual**
- 10 rounds with 10 questions each.
- A sausage sizzle
- Finger food

Tickets will be \$10 for adults, while children under 10 will be free, and there will also be other mini games and activities throughout the night!

For more information email Sale VCAL class
sale.college@education.vic.gov.au

Loved this issue and want to contribute?

here's a few ideas:

Send in your groovy art, poetry or essays to be featured in the next one

Recommend / shoutout your friends or local artists

Share our posts on ig



Sign up for Youth Council or AXIOS.

@wellingtonyouthvic on instagram



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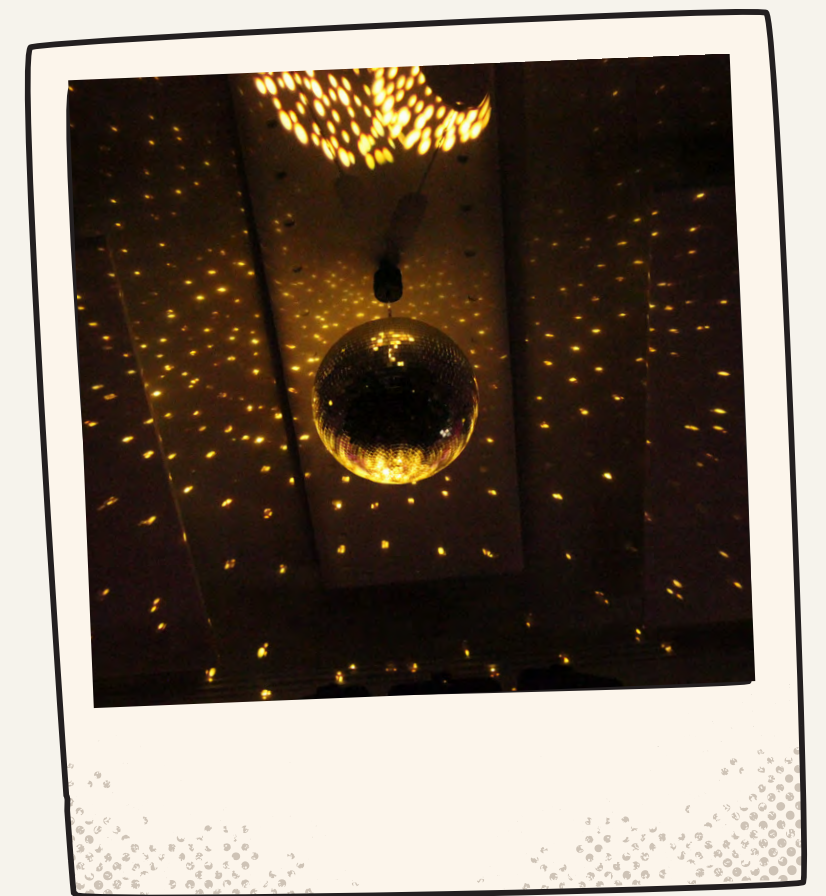
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