

PAY  
TO  
PLAY

debt, student or otherwise is in crisis. 10k-20k in forgiveness is a start but by no means enough. i am roughly 94k in debt. for PAY 2 PLAY at Albatross i am having Michael Reinsch wear two lanyards. one with pictures taken of me by Elizabeth Lamb and the other one of those lanyards is my old NYU id lanyard. this lanyard is meant to hold the colored cards with text. several of the cards have text on them that was inspired by an investigative article written by the The Wall Street Journal and published on Dec 19, 2021, "NYU Is Top-Ranked--In Loans That Alumni and Parents Struggle to Repay." the article is a mix of findings and student testimonials where for example a former student has been selling their eggs to pay for food and rent while trying to find employment. some of NYU's suggestions to ease the burden of their school's high price tag included eating less meals, babysitting, or living with an elderly person. the rest of the cards speak to the way in which the capitalist world allows for educational degree gatekeeping with a dash of cheap or unpaid labor extraction as a means to continue to enrich the wealthy class and institutions. these are all cyclical patterns and unless you break the wheel they will continue.

-april vendetta, sept 7, 2022

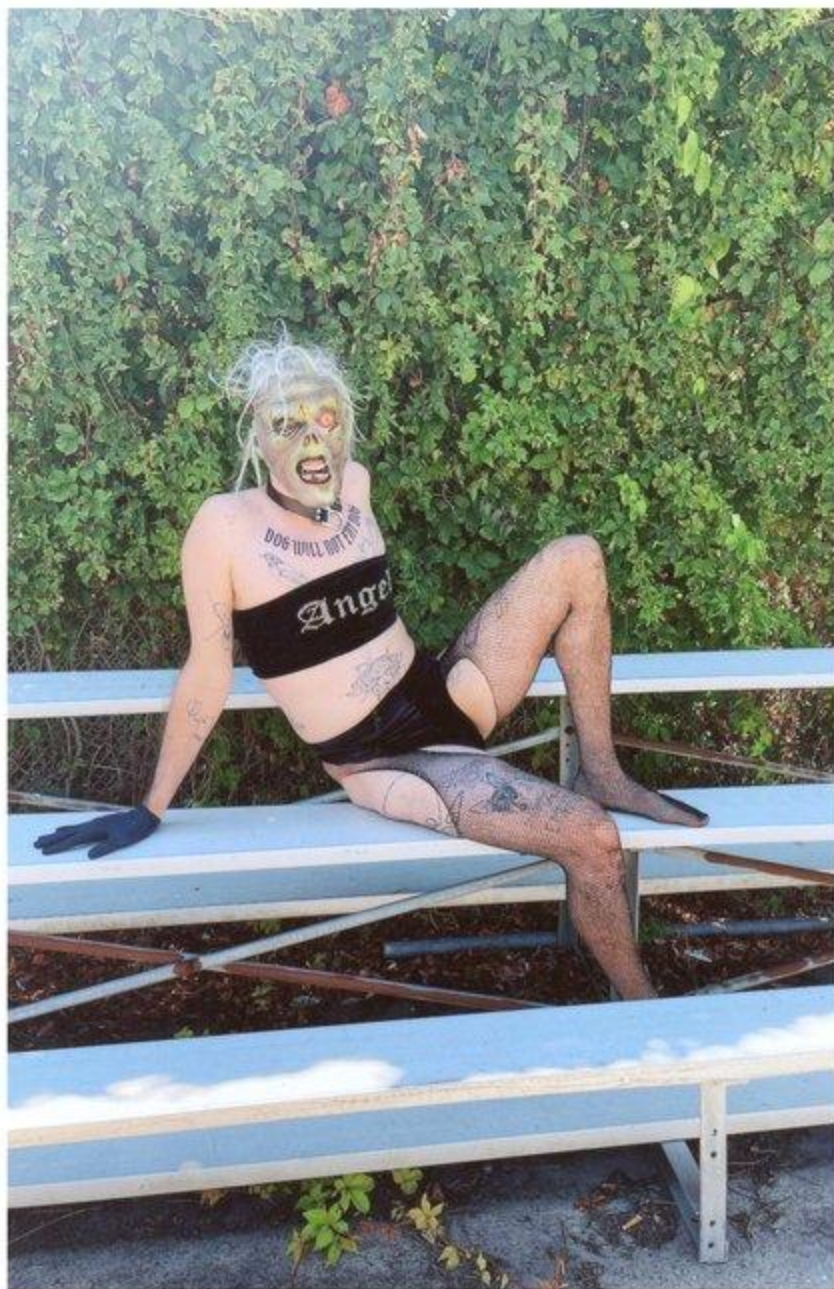
PAY 2 PLAY was exhibited in collaboration with Albatross and facilitated by Michael Reinsch. Special thanks to Michael Reinsch for all his labor which includes communication via email & social media, travel, wearing lanyards, PR photography, creating & maintaining website content, scanning all images and cards, and shipping artwork from the Albatross shop. Cards created by april vendetta and images created in collaboration with Elizabeth Lamb (Camera Operator). This book represents a selection of cards & images that were shown during PAY 2 PLAY.

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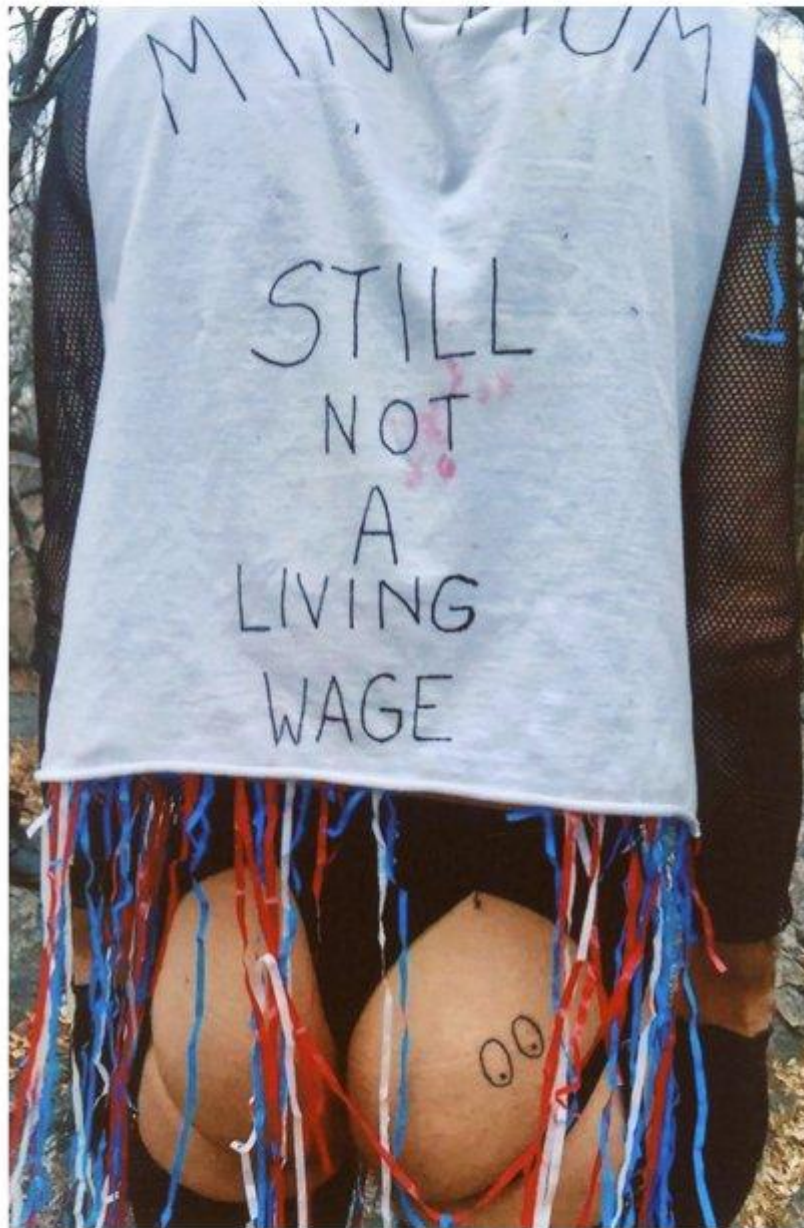
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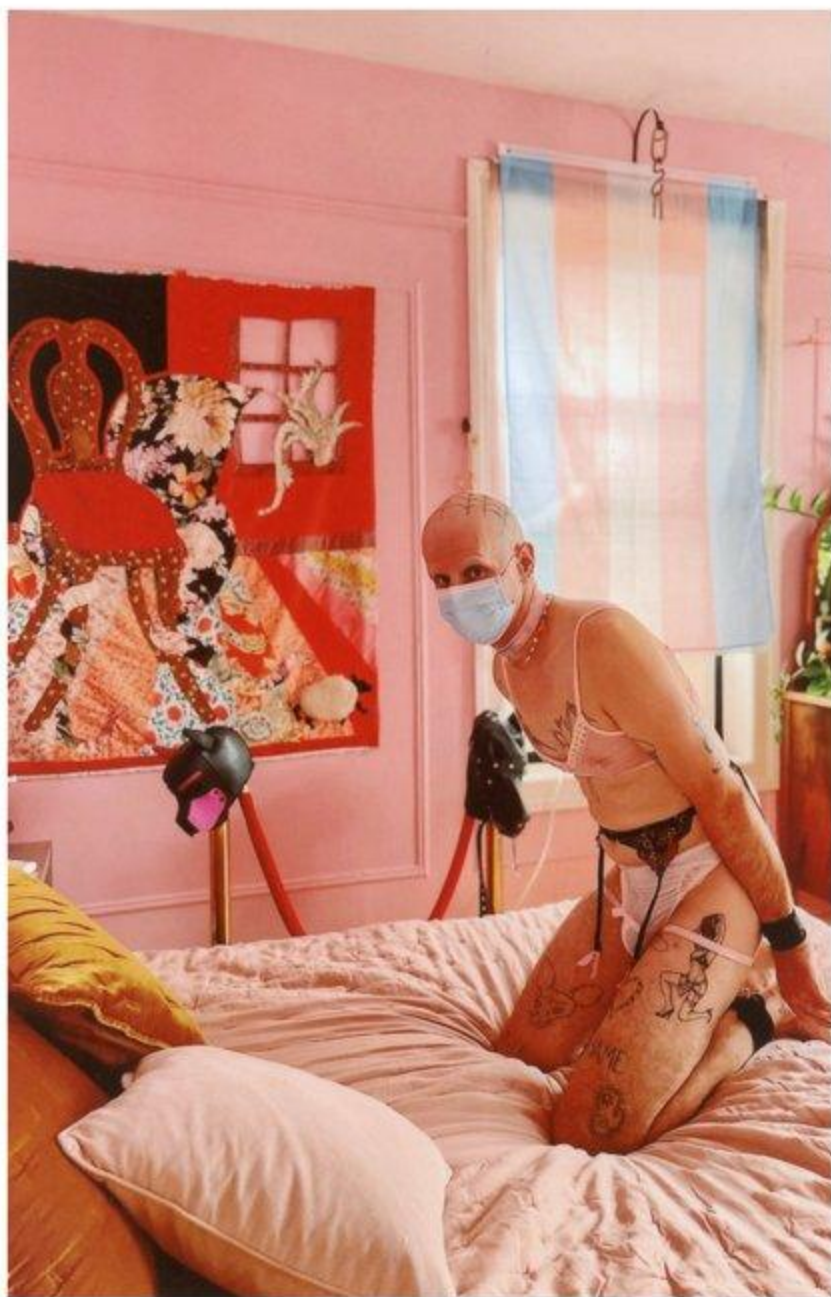


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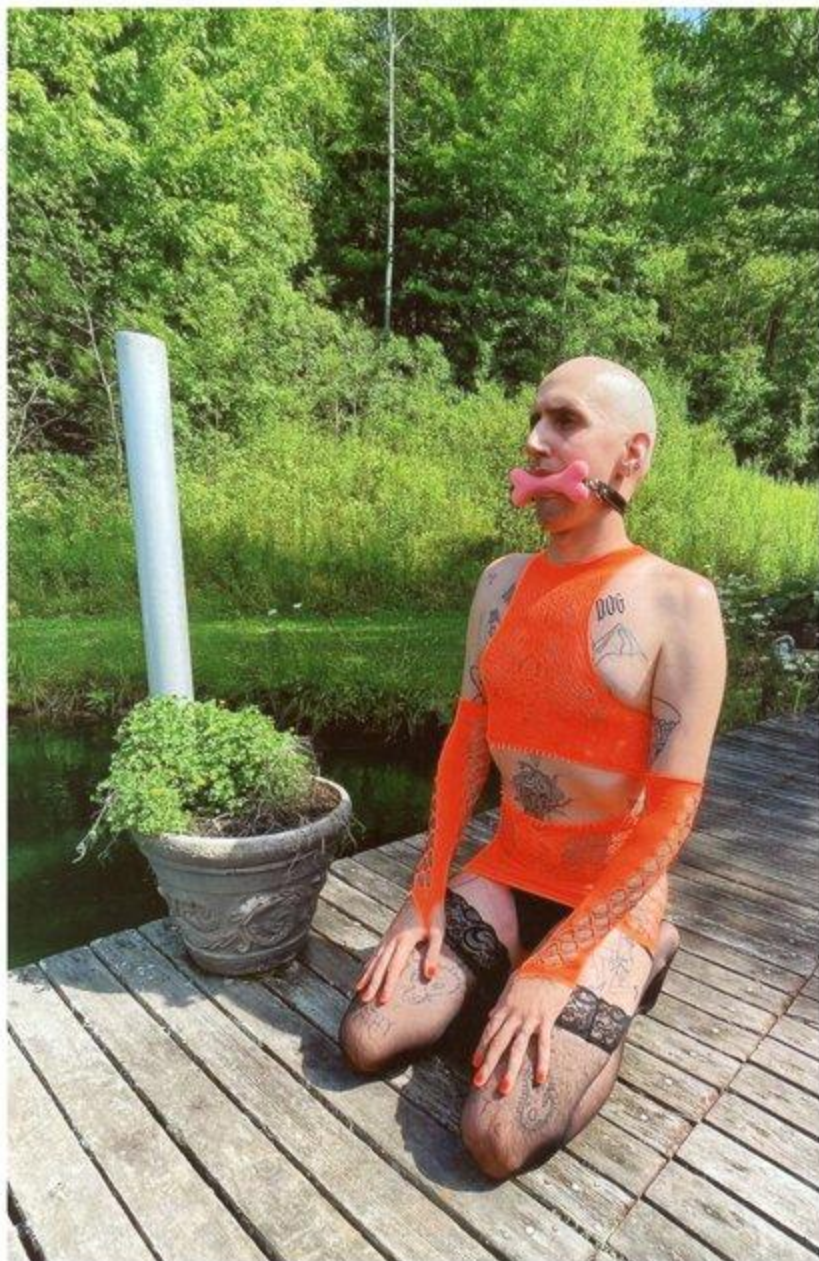


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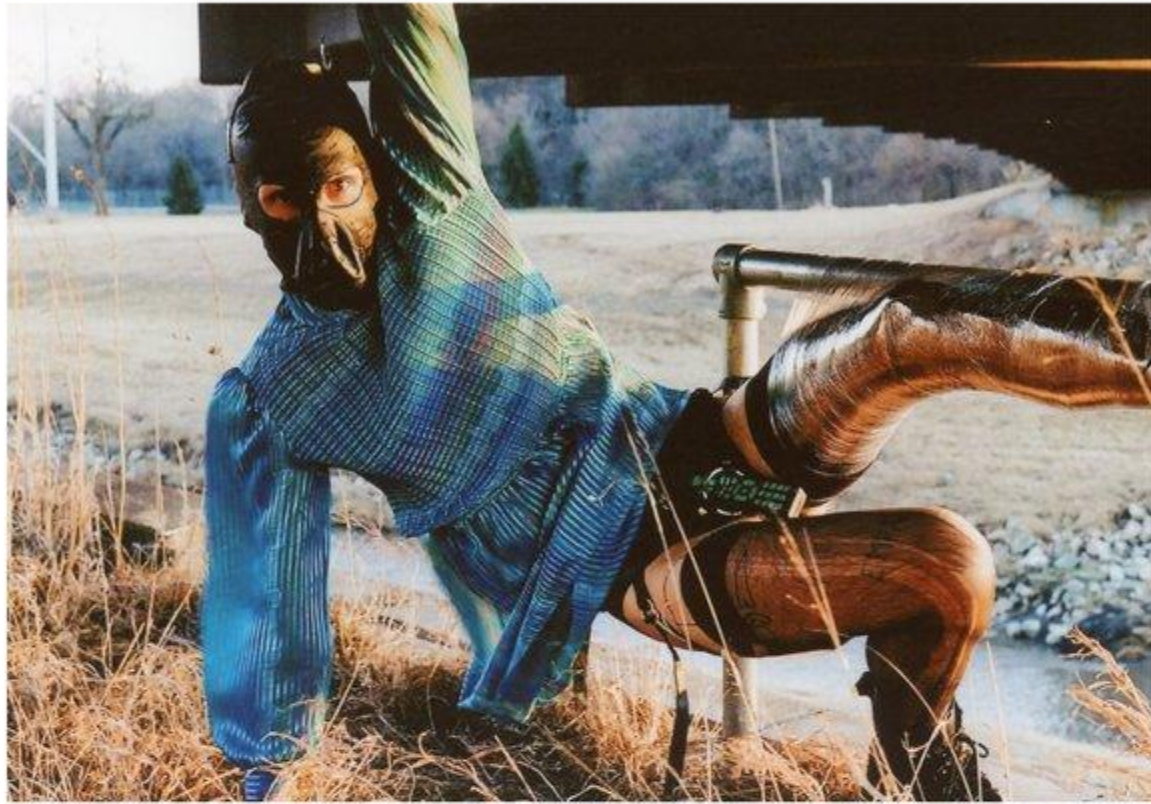


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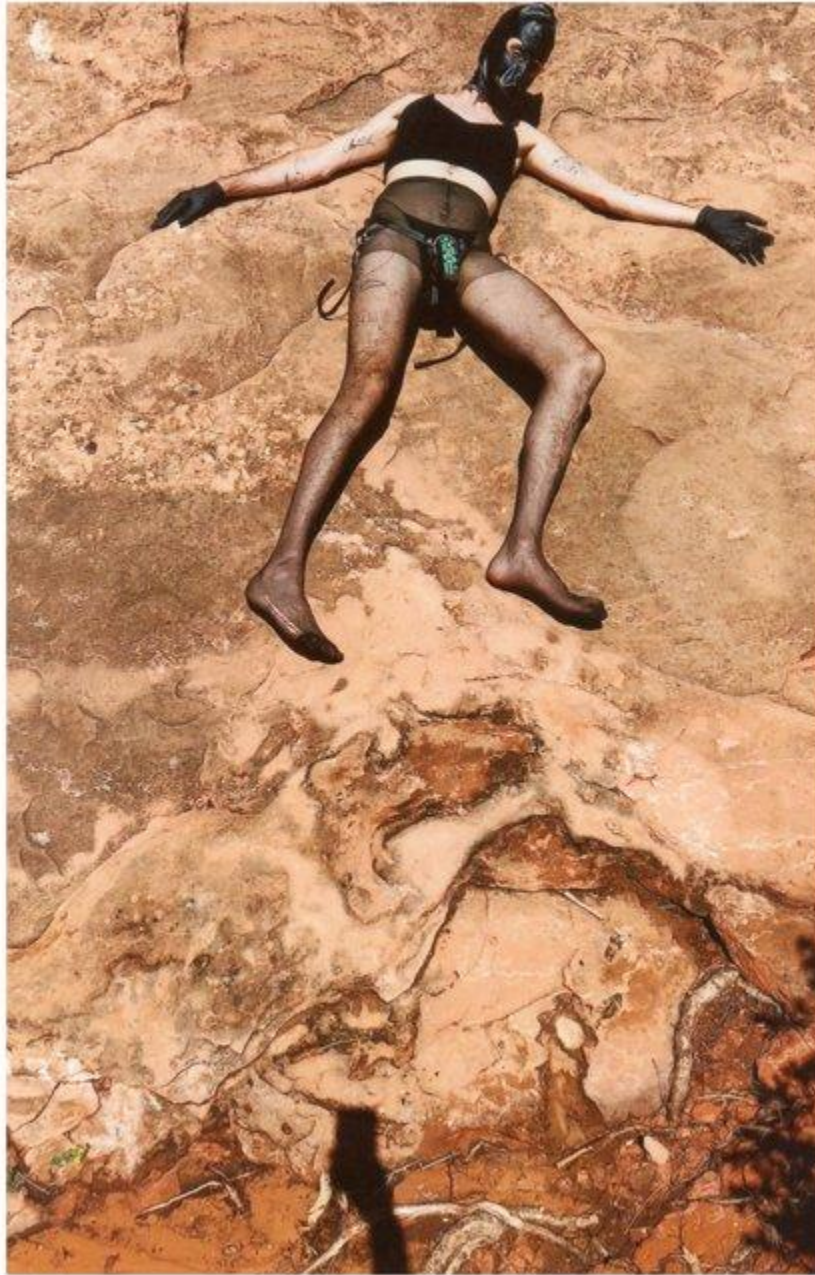


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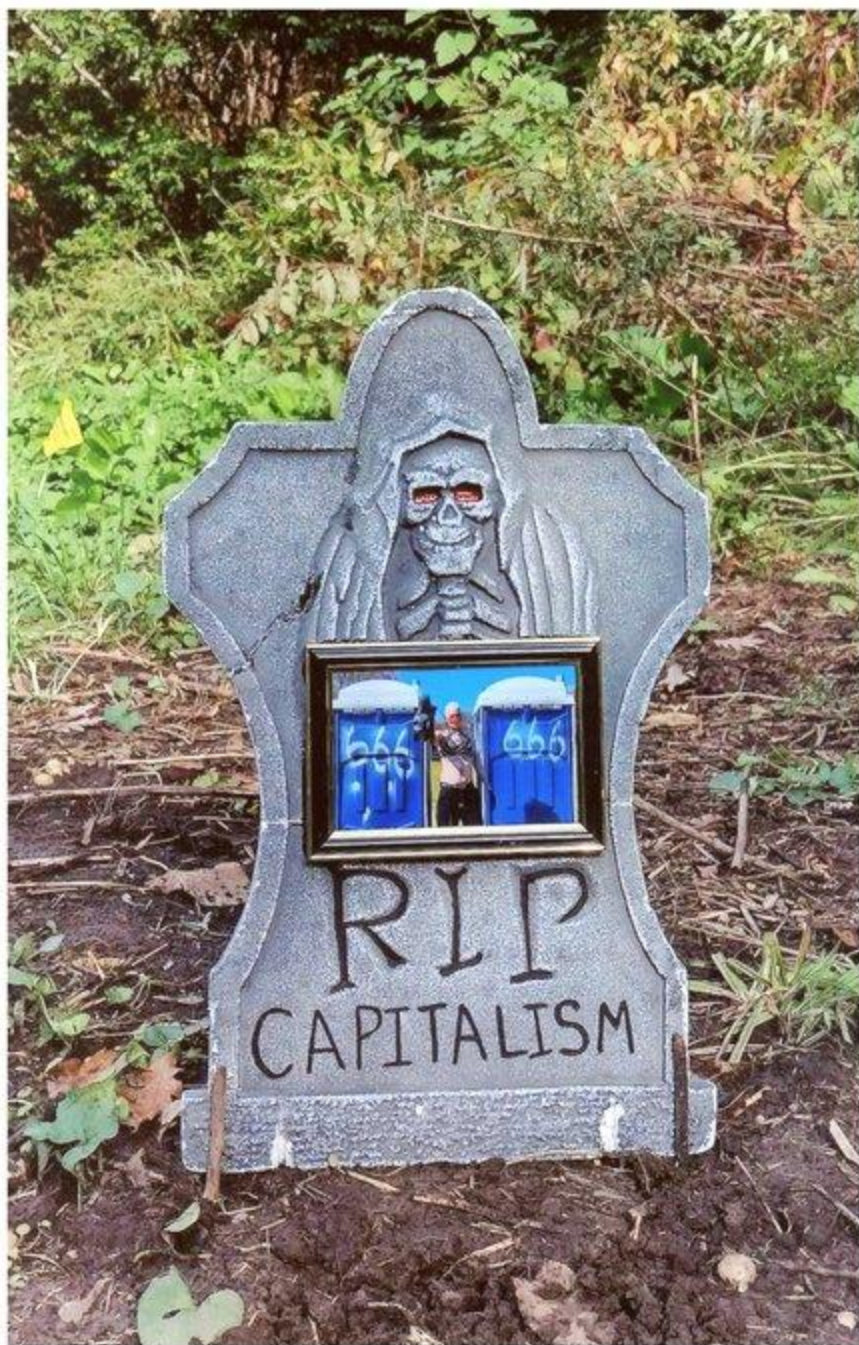


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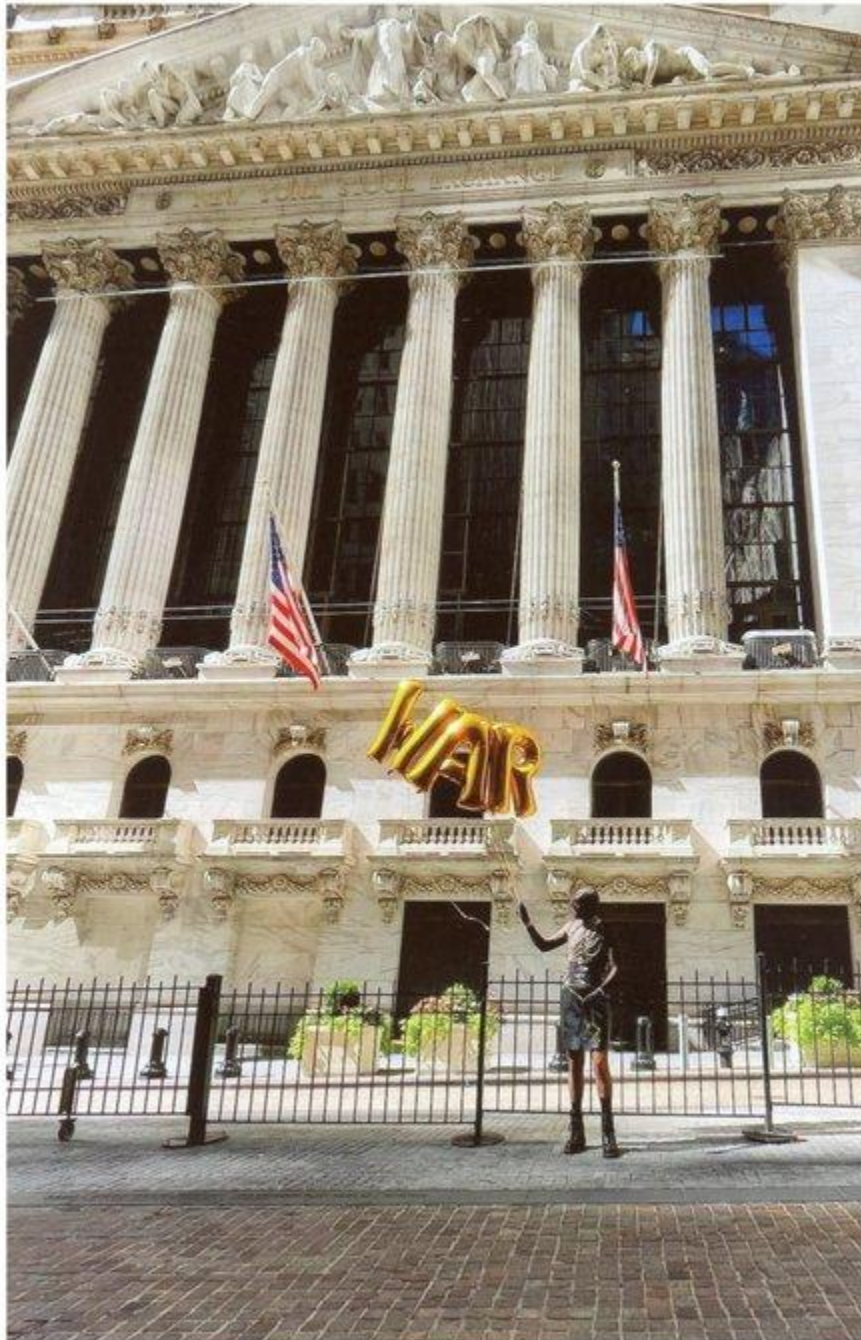
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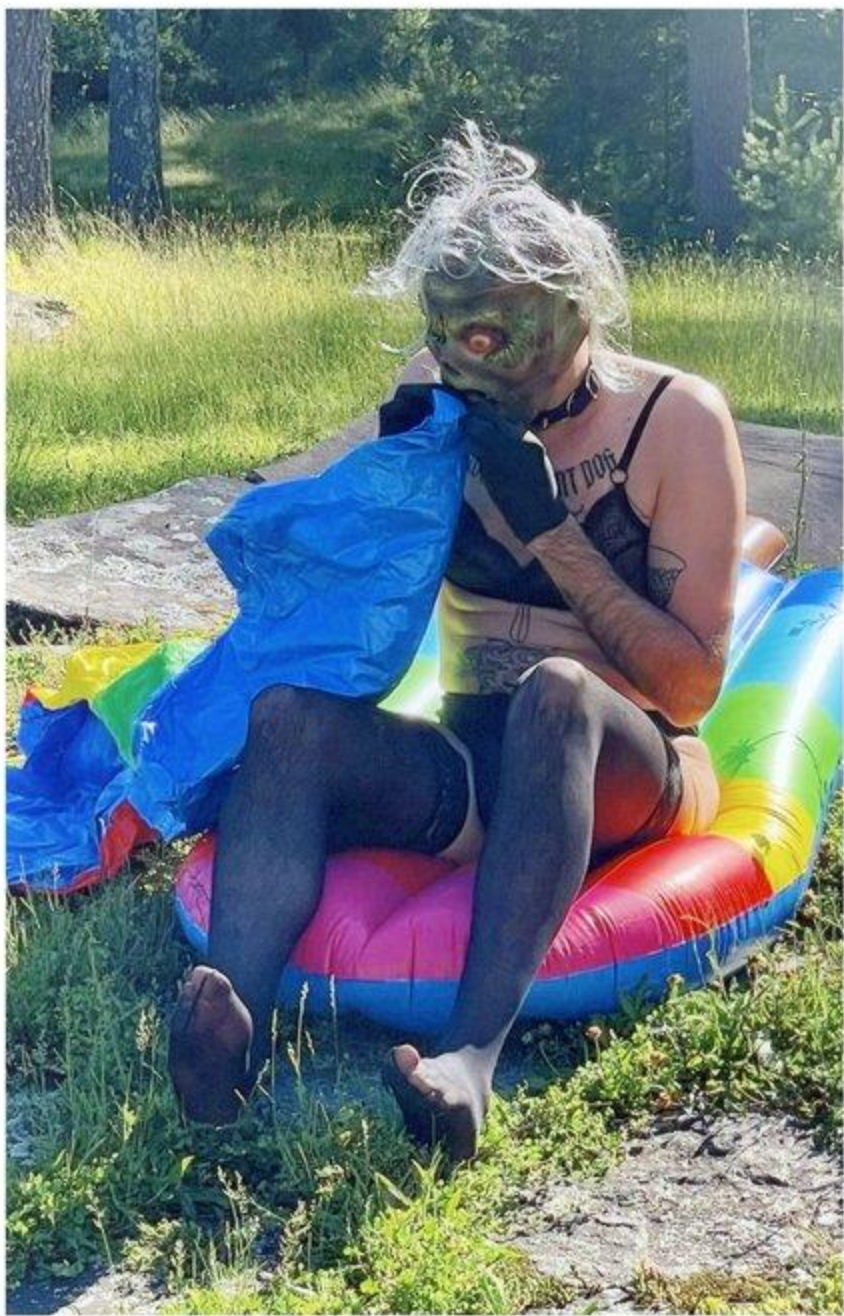


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