

Teen Zines: Unleashing Creativity

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Why Zines?

“One of the most subversive institutions in the United States
is the public library...”

–bell hooks

- Zines resonate with library values.
- Zines are inexpensive!
- Zines are infinitely adaptable.



The Birth of the Zine

- When?
- Fan art/fanfic
- Fan magazine > fanzine > ZINE!



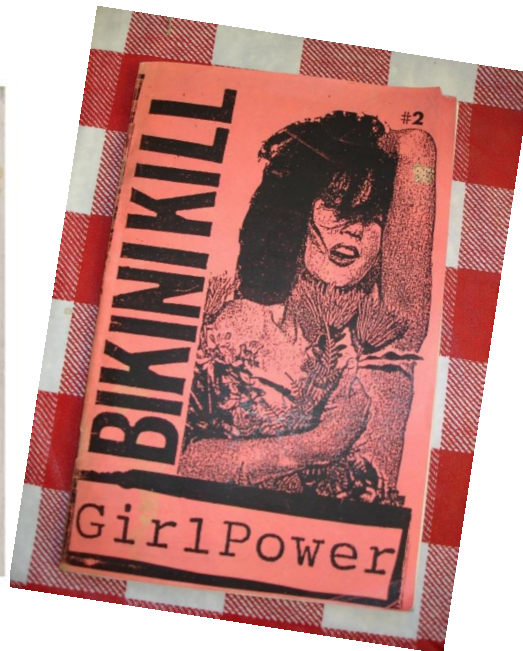
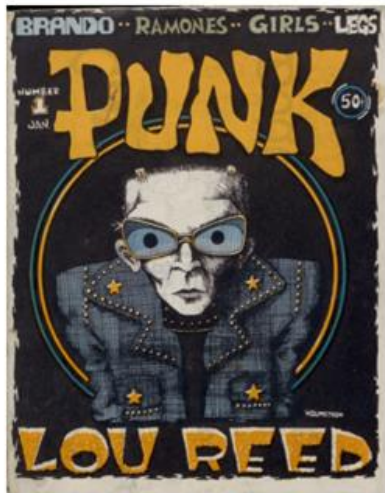
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Zines as a Counter-Culture

▶ DIY aesthetic embraced in the punk and riot grrrl scenes

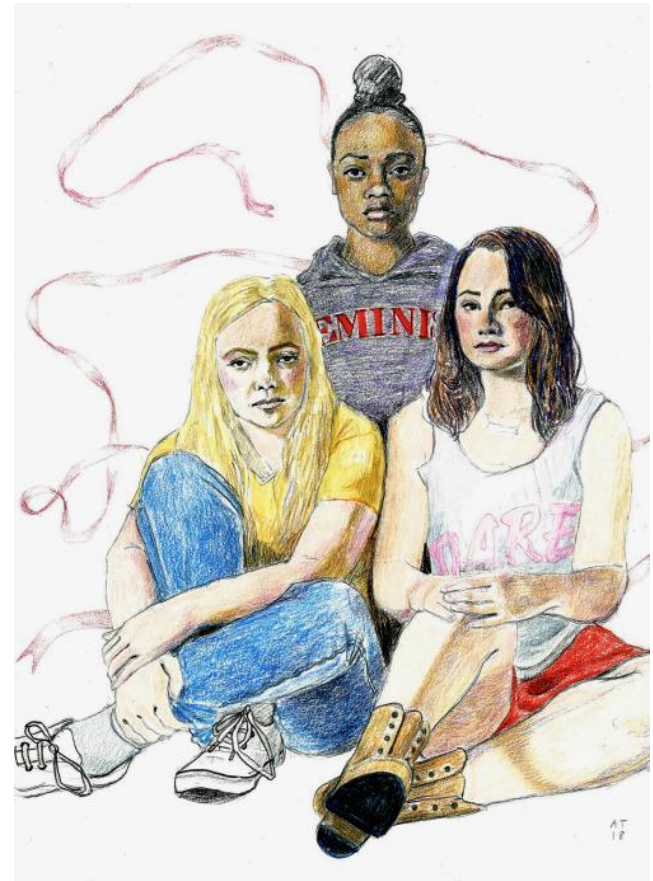
▶ Freedom of expression

▶ Cheap!



Zines: Modern Times

- ▶ Digital and physical forms
- ▶ Commercial and DIY
- ▶ Annual zine festivals are featured in San Diego, Los Angeles, and worldwide!



Middle school sucks: An interview with the girls of eighth grade. (2 Aug 2018). Retrieved August 3, 2018, from <http://crybabyzine.com/>

How Are Zines Made?

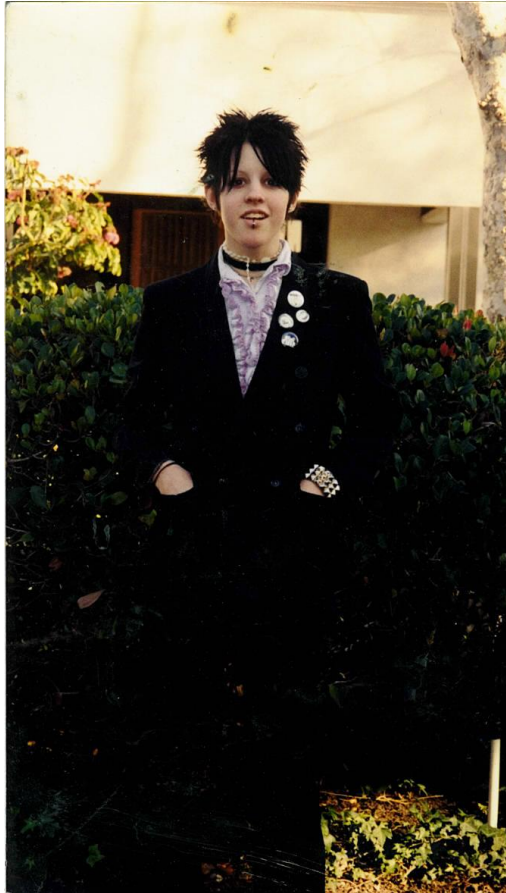


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Time to DIY!

- ▶ Theme: Libraries are a place for...
- ▶ Use words, pictures, and/or illustrations to create your own page about what libraries represent to you. Give your own library a shout-out at the bottom of the page!
- ▶ Time: 30 minutes
- ▶ Your results will be published into a digital zine!

For More Information



← yes, that's me!

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