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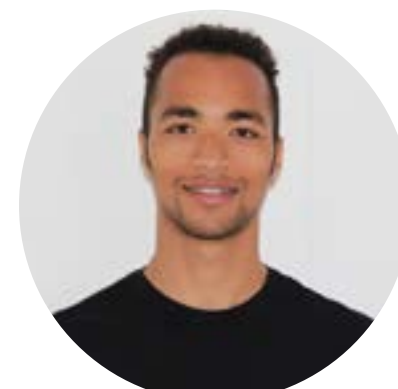
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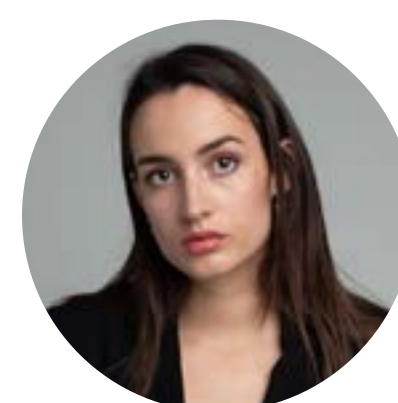
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Champagne gold

Gold, the color of wealth, the color of champions, the color of winning. A divine color that is used in the richest of arts as well as a material that never loses its beauty over the years.

In addition to this being the final issue, we chose for the color champagne gold to share one final toast to you, our dear reader. Enjoy our last issue of INDIVIDUAL, once again filled with amazingly creative and wonderful individuals, sharing their passion.

Enjoy reading the final issue

Kind regards,

Team INDIVIDUAL



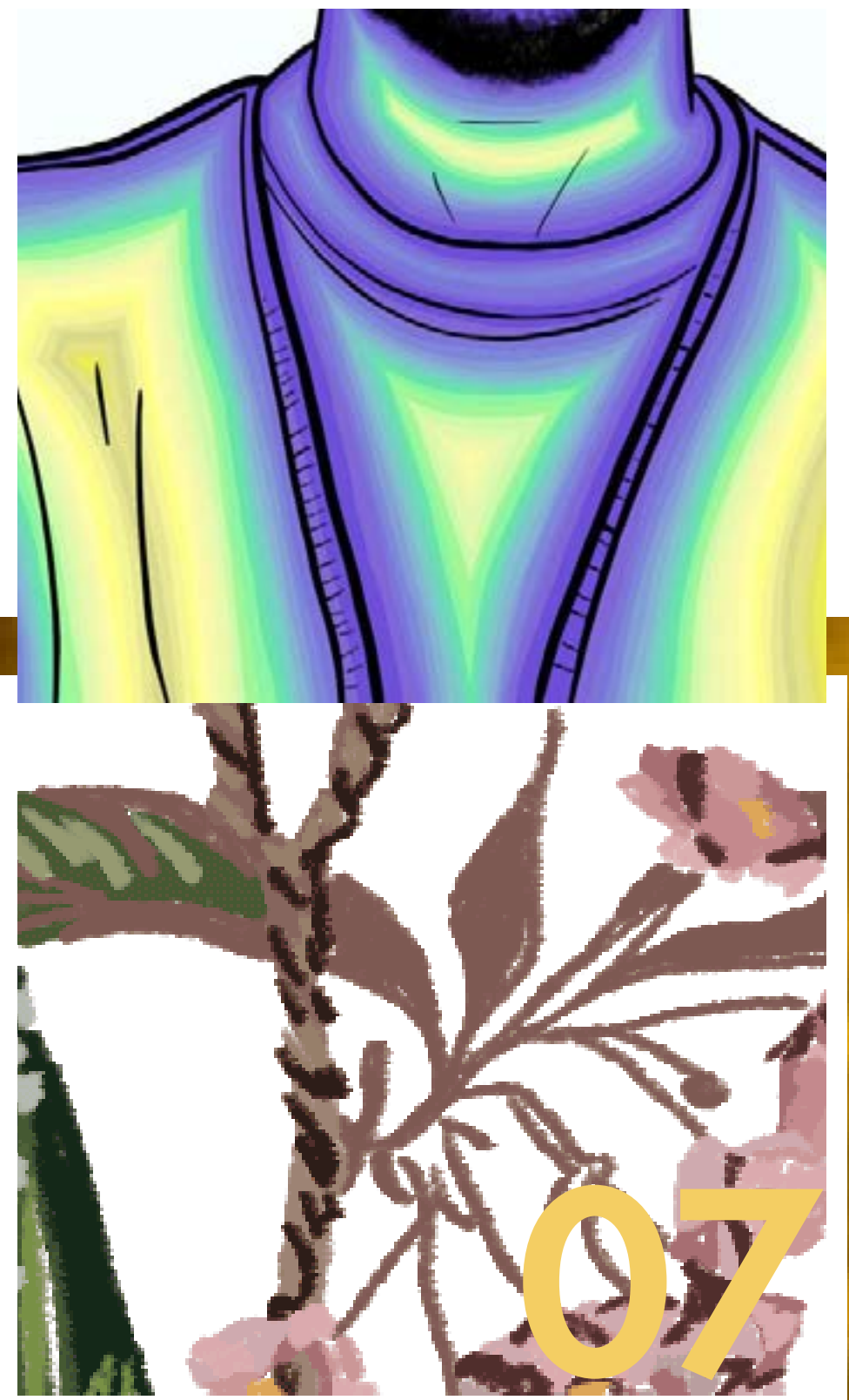
Artist of the week

A weekly rubric that puts one artist in the spotlights. This week, That artist is Julia.



The man with the van

A story about how Lasse transformed an old van and living his best life having the opportunity to travel around.



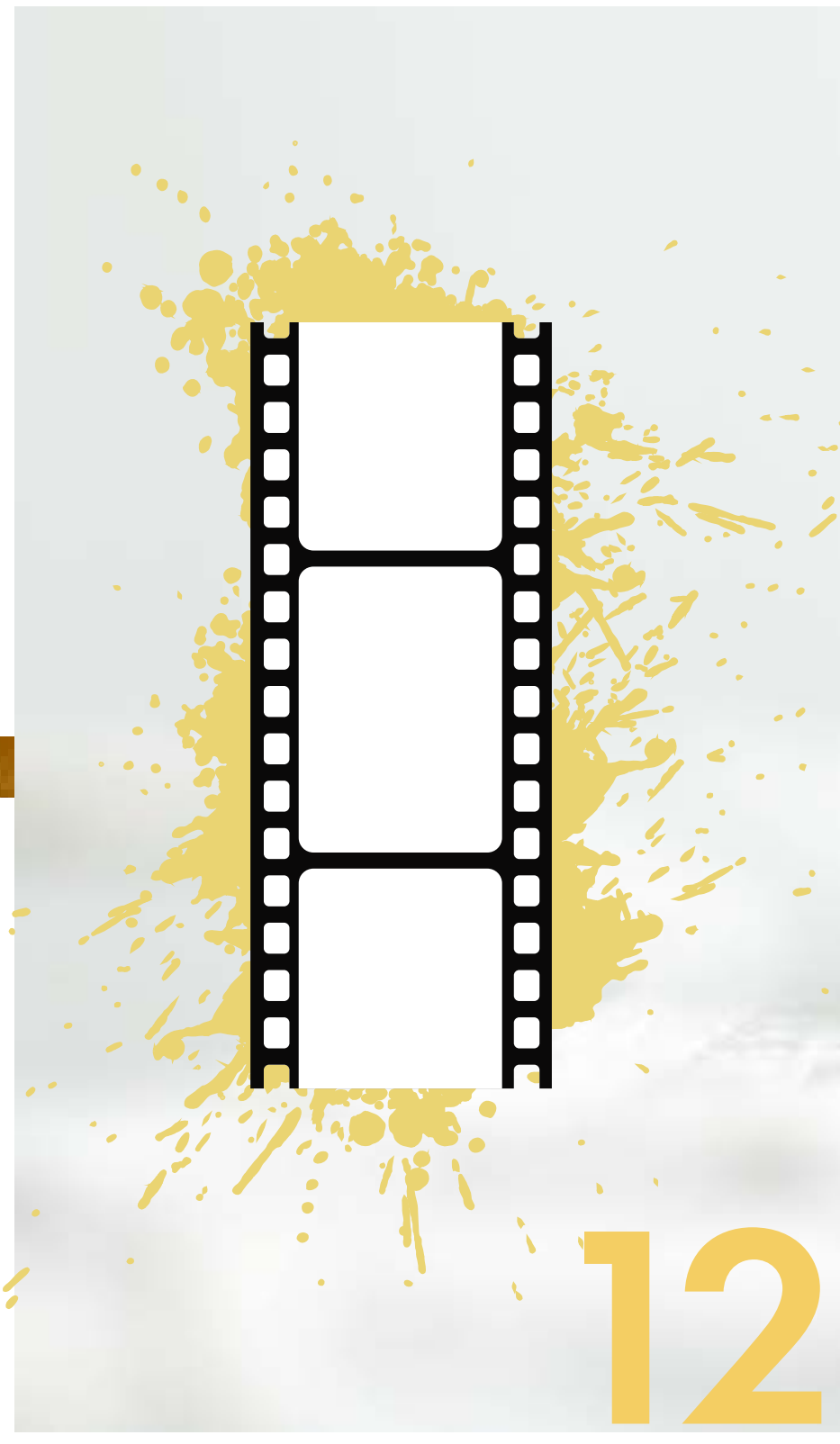
Art(s) of the week

A short photo montage of our weekly favourite art pieces by Students of Leeuwarden.



Girl meets virtual world

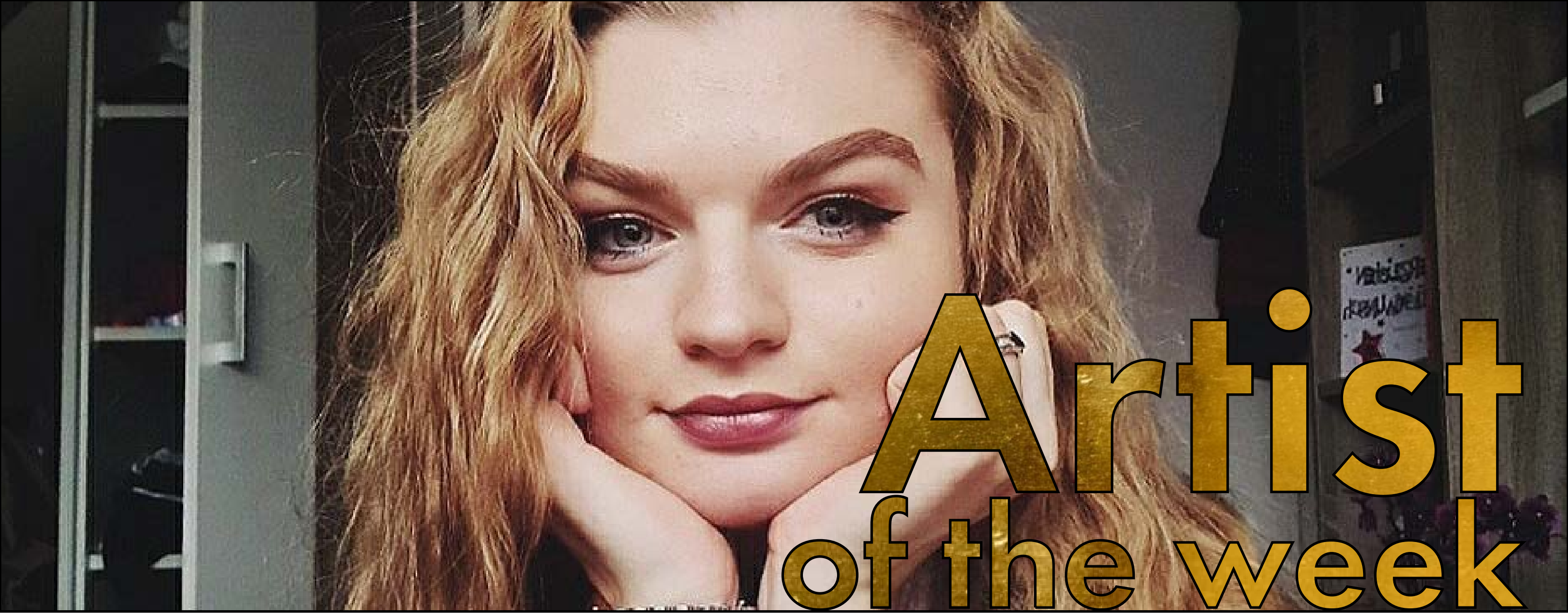
How Veronica despite facing judgement and negativity still lives her life according to what inspires her.



#MOVIESTHATMOVEDUS

This week not an Instagram challenge, but the personal favourite movies of the INDIVIDUAL team to close off this magazine series.





Artist of the week

Julia Carmen Tomaschewski

“I am Julia Carmen Tomaschewski, a 20-years old Creative Business student from Germany/Poland. Ever since I was a little child I was greatly interested in art. Nevertheless, it took me 16 years to discover my style of drawing and painting...”


THE IMPORTANT OF ART IN MY LIFE

“Growing up in Germany I had to deal with bullies and rejection due to my mixed nationalities. Meaning, I had to spend a lot of time by myself. That was the time where I discovered that all my worries and fears disappear once I was drawing. I literally got lost in art and could spend hours on it. It gave me great comfort and joy. My favourite medium is definitely graphite since I can be as precise as I want and most importantly can erase my mistakes which is harder while working with paint.”

MY FAVOURITE ART PIECE

“I was very experimental back in the days, I tried out every medium that was accessible to me. Nevertheless, I took advanced classes in art back in high school where my teacher told me I am not talented enough to work with paint. Therefore, I was afraid for a long time to pick that medium back up. However, in 2018 I started to work with paint and gold leaf. That was the time where my favourite artwork came to life. I called it “Grace of Monaco” after Grace Kelly, the American actress and Princess of Monaco, who was known for her stately beauty and reserve. Due to my great interest in the 50s and 60s, I usually portray inspiring figures at that time, such as Audrey Hepburn, Brigitte Bardot, James Dean and Elvis Presley.”





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makes me proud.**

— LASSE CORNELIUS

LIVING IN THE WIND

The man with a van

THE TRANSPORTER

Traveling the world creates a feeling of freedom and excitement, the opportunity to live day by day instead of planning ahead, this was Lasse Cornelius's dream. Lasse is a student from Germany who is currently living and studying at the University of NHL Stenden. What brought him here was a new start. After dropping out of his first study he got the inspiration to build his dream van that would allow him to stay on the move and find the most incredible places to wind surf. His journey was backed up by his father and that is when they found a VWT5 Transporter from 2006 to transform.

"I knew it was going to be a lot of work, but I was willing to do it, I wanted to do it."

THE TRANSFORMATION

After months of working on cleaning the rust and the dirt to putting old Volkswagen Beetle blinkers on, the transporter was ready to become Lasse's creative space. Lasse's inspiration for the interior was "hippie" "colourful" however, to his surprise it became a lot fancier than expected. The outside of the truck was however the more difficult but also the most himself. Lasse expresses himself through contrast colours and by not having the typical style, he expressed this through the designs of his transporter. He described it as "an African ascetic, that is colourful and easy to spot." When asked what makes the transporter really his Lasse replied, "Due to not being a professional painter or spray painter, the little spots and mishaps that most people won't see but I do is what reminds me that I did this, I created my dream on my own and that makes me proud."



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Here we see Lasse painting a pattern on his van.



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How the van looked before

THE JOURNEY

Although 2020 was a rough year for everyone, Lasse took the time of living within a pandemic as a time to focus more on his project. With trips through Northern Germany to Denmark, where he enjoyed his days wind surfing with friends and traveling in his well-deserved and hard work transporter. It was the will power of having a fresh start and wanting to feel free that has led him to use his self-expression and put it into something that may have taken a long time and money but a project he said "Let's go" to instead of putting it on the back burner. Lasse said he was excited for 2021 where he will travel to Bulgaria and hopefully more countries around Europe with his van.



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TIPS FOR THE ROAD

With 2021 being a new start for everyone Lasse left us with words of encouragement.

"If you have a great idea even if you know you can't do it at the moment, write it down."

He believes that it is always better to write it down just in case in a few years when the opportunity arises you can achieve that idea. It is not about achieving everything you want at that moment you want it but working up to it. Don't let the amount of work tare you down because once you have achieved it there is nothing more incredible and unique than that feeling of pure accomplishment.



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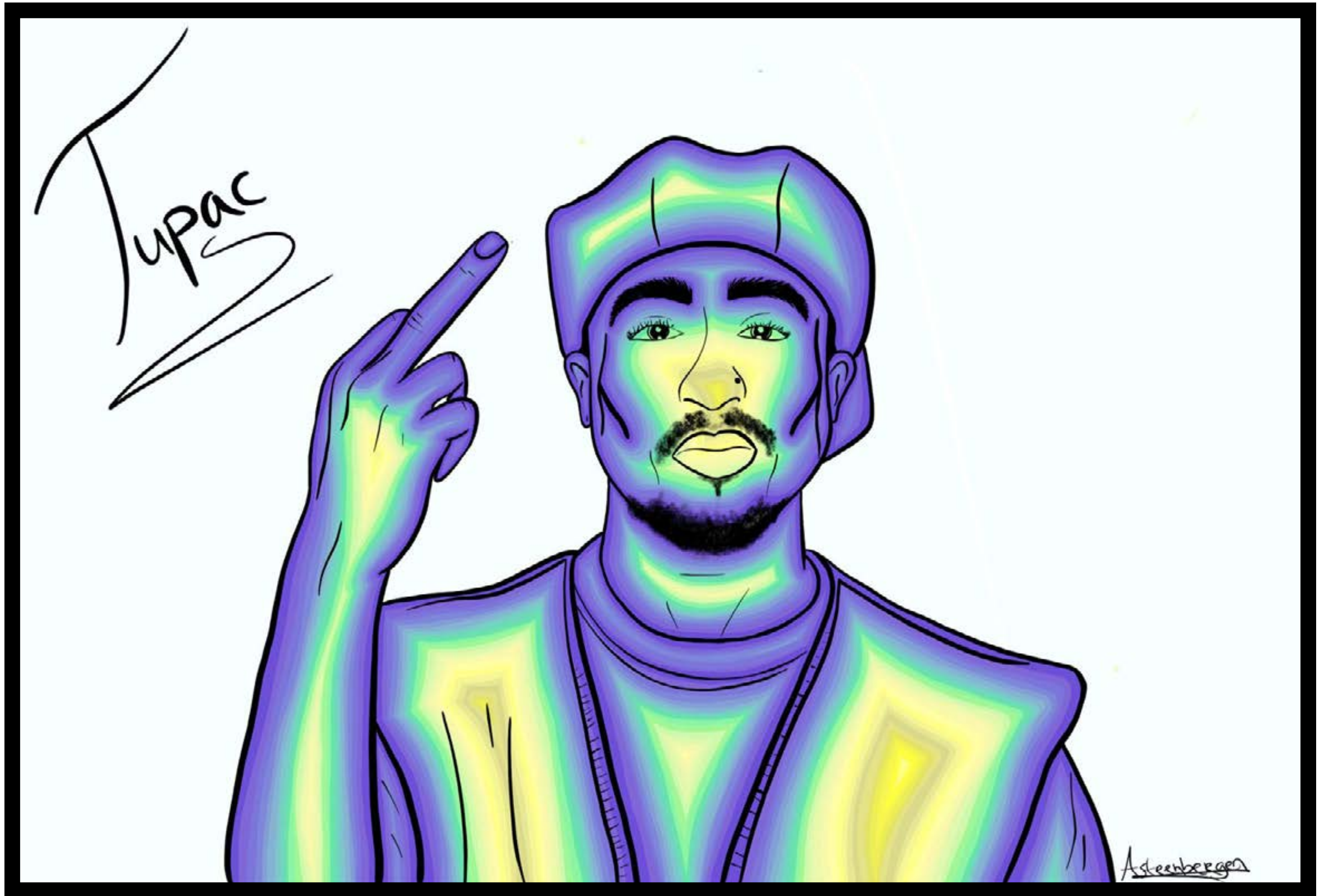
What the van looks like now



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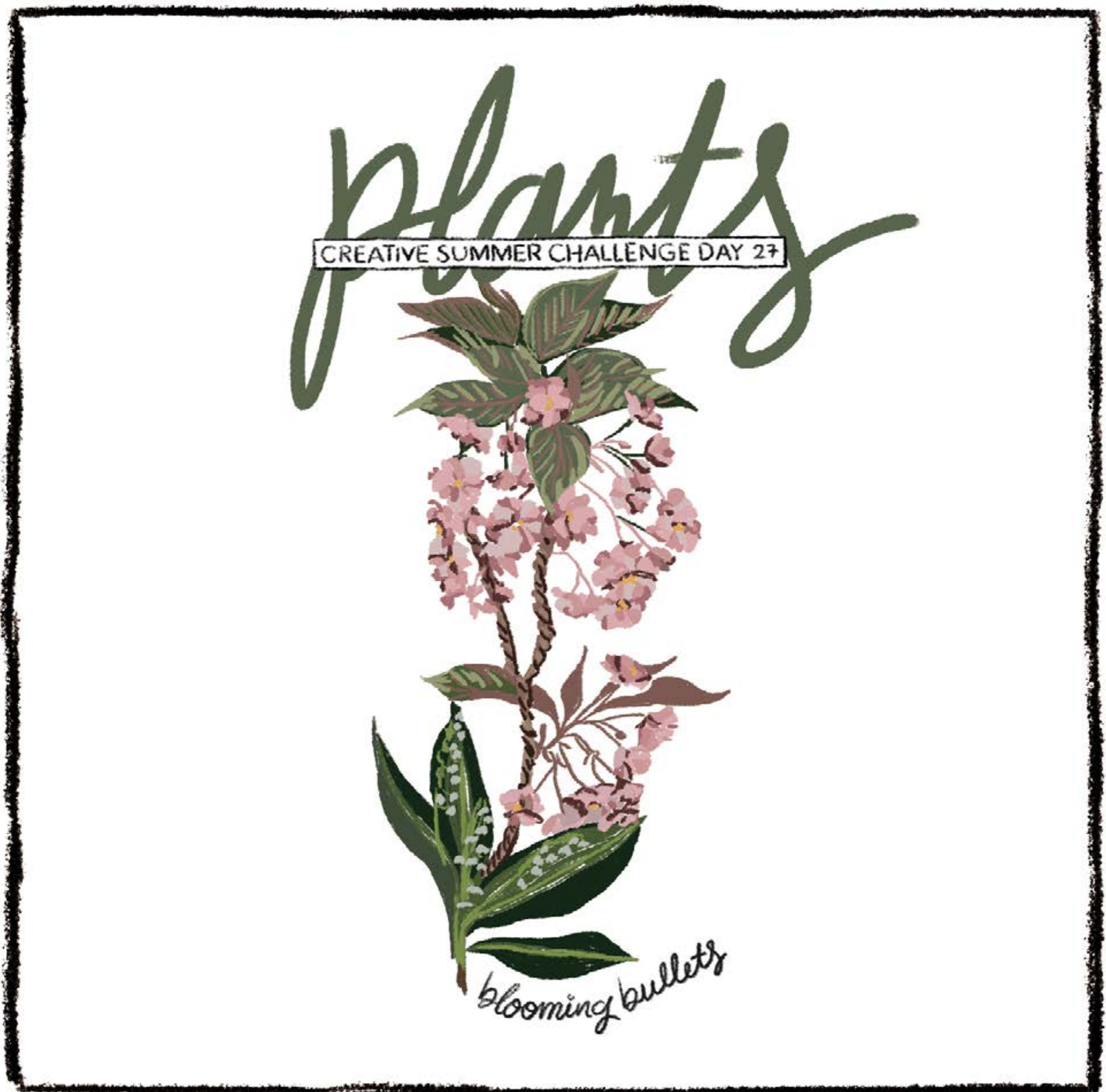
ARTS OF THE WEEK



ANOUSCHKA STEENBERGEN

This art piece was created by a Dutch artist called Anoushka, who studies Creative Business in the Netherlands.

“My name is Anouschka Steenbergen i’m a dutch 20 years old and a 2nd year CB student. I have been drawing digitally for a while no, recently I started making personal drawings of people who can send me a request via a direct messages on Instagram. I like the idea that with my drawings I can bring more color into the world and show the beauty of people, and that every person is different and so beautiful inside and out in their own way. This is a drawing by one of my favorite artists, Tupac. ”



ANNA MASTOROU

This art piece was created by a half Dutch and half Greek artist named Anna, who studies Creative Business in the Netherlands. The name of the artwork is "plants".

"My name is Anna Mastorou, I'm 23, half Greek, half Dutch, and I'm in my 2nd year of Creative Business. Things that inspire me creatively include films, photography, color schemes, and nature. I also adore cinematography, architecture, aesthetics, visuals, and generally various aspects of design. The illustration you see was part of a challenge I participated in over the summer. I tried to create one illustration a day, which didn't work out because I'm a master procrastinator. For this one, I took inspiration from a vintage framed picture with a similar flower I bought from a 2nd hand store. I really like how the muted colors look together, as well as the font of "plants". It's handwritten, and I remember it took me a while to be satisfied with it. "

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— VERONICA ORRU



WHERE GIRL MEETS VIRTUAL WORLD

follow the journey of Veronica Orru

LIFE THROUGH FICTION

Halloween is a great holiday, loved by many for the opportunity to dress up as anything and anyone you'd like. However, it is by no means the only time of the year when you can slap a costume on. If you have ever been to any sort of convention or gathering regarding video games, comic books, tv series and others, you have definitely seen plenty of cosplayers dressed up as their favorite superhero or beloved protagonist of a TV series. Cosplay is a form of a performance art, in which people wear costumes, make up and specific accessories in order to represent a certain fictional character. One person that finds cosplaying enticing and fun is Veronica Orru

Veronica (29) is a gaming Twitch streamer and cosplayer. She has been passionate about these things for many

years now. Despite facing judgements and negativity from her peers during that time, Veronica never gave up on her interests and is working hard to turn her hobby into a full time job.

“My very first cosplay was in elementary school”

GAMES AND COSTUMES

Over the years, Veronica's interest in gaming developed as she was watching a number of popular youtubers stream. Originally, she didn't think of doing the same thing. When she participated in a game show in which she analyzed video games, however, she started considering becoming a streamer. Another reason she found streaming interesting, is because of her inclination towards explaining things to people who may not understand, thus enjoying talking about video games. -



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“It's in my nature to explain things”



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As for cosplaying, her journey starts from a very young age. “When I was younger, I always liked to dress up for carnivals.” She did her very first actual cosplay in school, dressing up as an anime character, the only one from her class to do so. Ever since then, Veronica has been greatly enjoying dressing up as her favorite characters.

HARDSHIPS

Things have not always been easy for Veronica though, as she has faced a lot of judgement over the years. At some point she even quit cosplaying because she felt pressure from her peers.

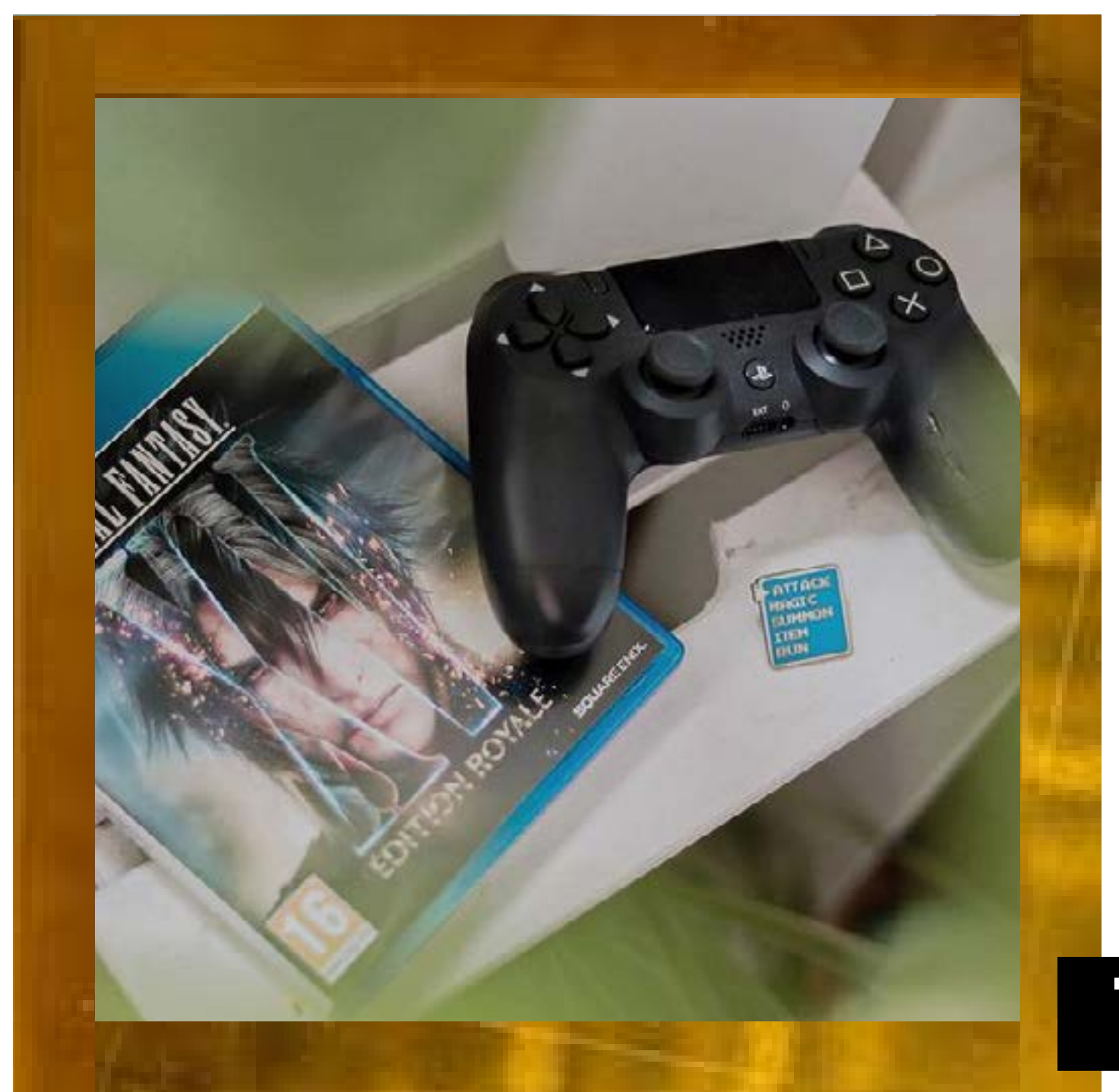
“People were judging me a lot”

“It’s hard for your reputation, especial-

ly as a teenager”. Because of that, she stopped doing what she loved in fear that she might not fit in. Thankfully, she’s always had her best friend to support her, and eventually Veronica picked up her old hobbies again. “She has really accepted me for how I am for 12 years of my life”.

WORDS OF INSPIRATION

One of Veronica’s goals with her streaming and cosplaying is to inspire people to explore their passions and explain that there will always be judgmental people. “I want to educate a lot of people that you can be yourself whenever you feel like, but you have to keep in consideration that no one is going to accept it.” For her, self-expression is something very important. “It’s something that makes your character grow and makes you special”.



#MOVIES THAT MOVED US

TEAM CHALLENGE

ABOUT THE CHALLENGE

Movies have an incredible effect on us. Certain movies have a special place in our hearts and minds because they reflect our personal philosophies, shaped the way we view the world and people, or the imagery is just burned into our brains. In order to get to know the team behind this magazine, the INDIVIDUAL crew members present to you one of their favorite movies that evoke some sort of emotion in them or capture their unique taste.



Genre: Sci-Fi, action

Movie: Blade Runner 2049 (2017)

"This movie is in my opinion one of the best sequels ever made, exceeding the first Blade Runner in almost all aspects. Both it and its predecessor are great in their exploration of themes, answering the question "What does it mean to be human?" -Filip

Genre: Romance/Drama

Movie: Little Women (1994)

"I chose this movie because not only did the book become one of my favourites, but the movie represents women in a strong and independent way. Each woman is unique and finds their right path, it was one of the first shows that had strong female leads that I remember from my childhood"-Madison

Genre: Comedy, Sci-Fi

Movie: Sorry to Bother You (2018)

"I just love the creativity of this film; it is probably the most out of the box film I have ever seen! Yet I can relate to this movie on so many levels. It provides social, cultural and political commentary that is extremely entertaining, intelligent and funny." -Christian

Movie: Love, Rosie (2014)

Genre: Rom-Com

"I simply just like the story and am in LOVE with the two lead actors. Still, this is a movie I keep watching over and over again. It's probably the combination of knowing what is going to happen and just watching a plain old romantic comedy with a good ending that has a soothing effect for some reason." -Ilse

Movie: Happy Gilmore (1996)

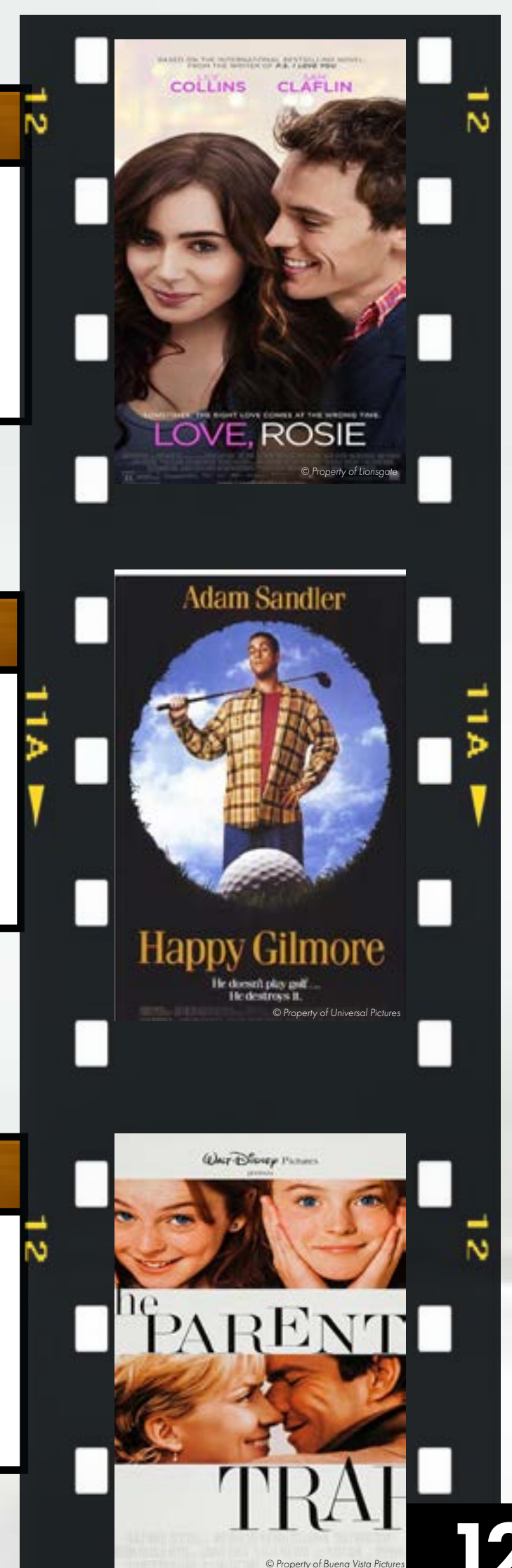
Genre: Comedy

"The movie is an absolute classic; I personally am a fan of comedic movies and this one has everything from great comedy to an emotional plot. I am a fan of Adam Sandler and the movie inspires me to film my own comedic skits as well as bringing positivity into the world." -Philp

Movie: The Parent Trap (1998)

Genre: Comedy

"The parent trap is my all-time favourite movie. It's a movie I always watch with my sister. I love the actors, the editing, the story, but mostly the sisterhood. This movie makes you feel good and I just never get tired of it!" -Daliet



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“Sometimes

you just have

to be done.

Not mad.

Not upset.

Just done.

– UNKNOWN

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