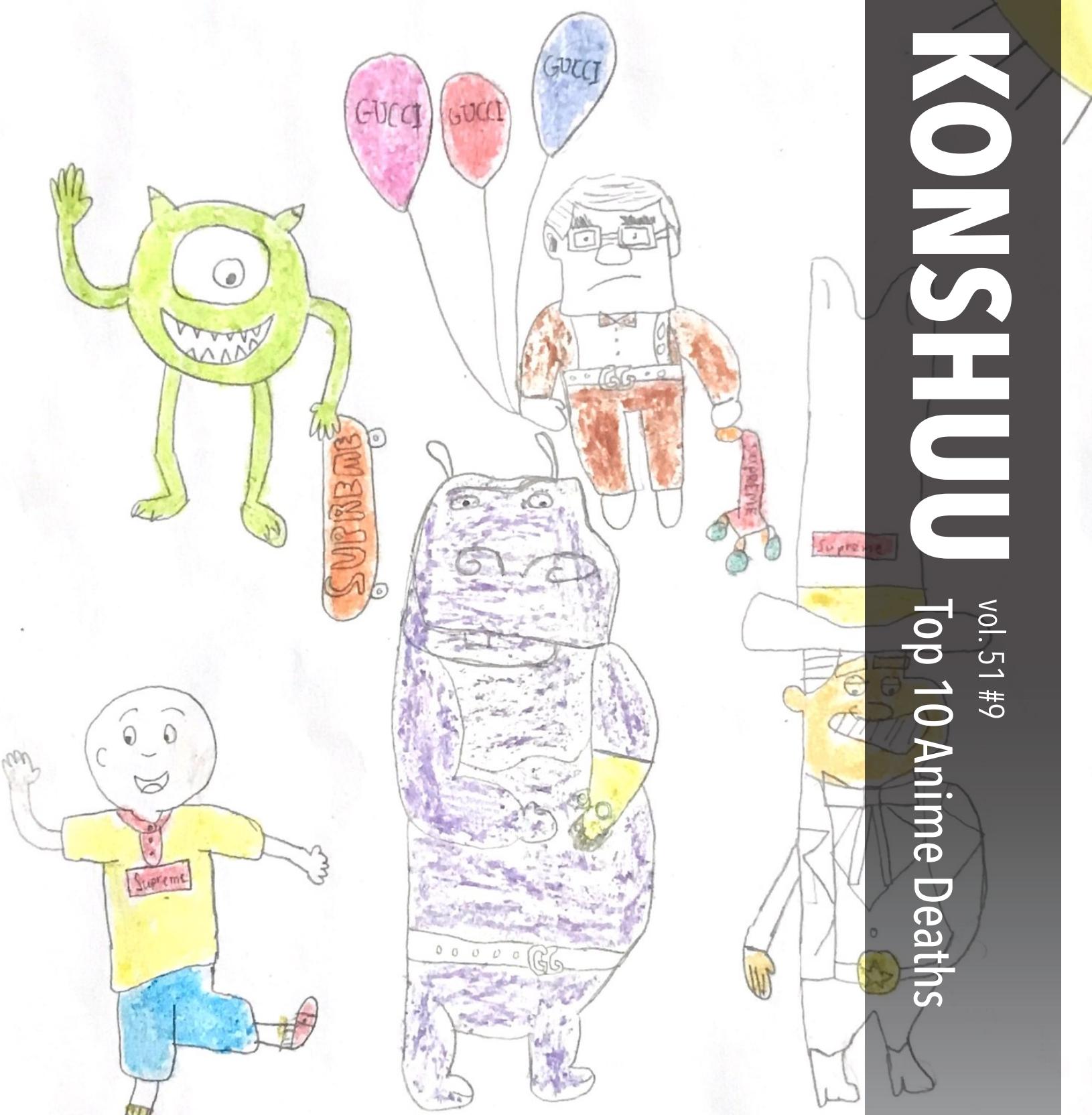


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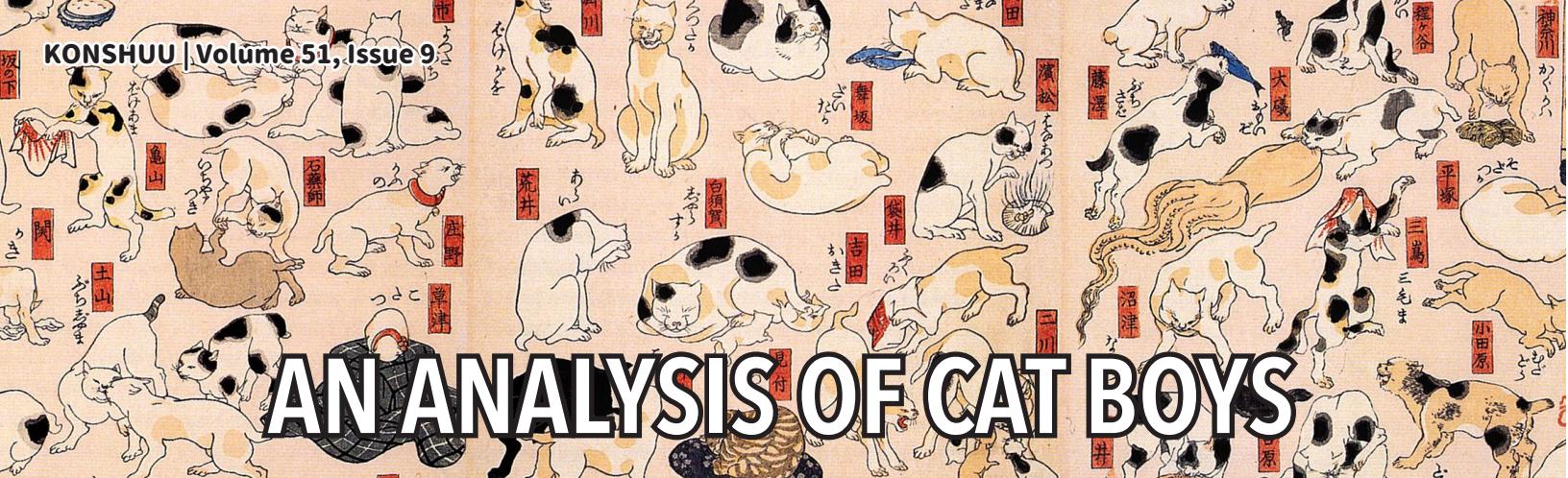
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I Don't Even Know Anymore

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# AN ANALYSIS OF CAT BOYS



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Ever since the dawn of man, humanity has sought to perfect and improve upon the human body. What we find lacking in us is the beastial nature, the lack of which defines us as we are. We have shed the remnants of our animalistic past in exchange for modernity, but we long for a return to nature. It is thus through art, we can complete the perfect form, a bridge between beast and man: cat boys (fig. 1).



*fig. 1, Shu★Zo from the multimedia series Show by Rock!!*

We can look towards many types of animals to fill the insufficiencies of our biology, but I have concluded that the cat, *Felis catus*, is the most compatible. Cats are just as diverse as humans, they are multifaceted creatures with personality and individual mannerisms. Through different lenses, cats are different creatures. Depending on one's perspective cats may be elegant and aloft, or amusing and endearing. Physically, the form of the cat has been subject to adoration for millenia, capturing the hearts of humanity. Cat boys do come in variations of feline creatures, and some may consider the term "cat boy" as a catch

all for any kemonomimi or animal eared boy, which for the sake of brevity I will not delve into in this essay.

It is no surprise then, that the history of anthropomorphizing cats is long and rich. The most famous example is found in a goddess of ancient Egypt, the first cat girl, Bastet. Bastet took a multitude of forms, ranging from full quadrupedal feline to just the head of a cat<sup>1</sup>. The ancient Egyptians revered her for her power and protection, and thus created much fan art of her. Her iconography was not only prevalent in Egypt, but throughout much of the Near East (fig. 2). Much later in Europe, many of the ascribed traits we associate with cats in the modern West are created, giving them more secondary semiotic meanings. Possibly connecting to the history of Bastet, cats became associated with paganism, the devil, and lasciviousness<sup>2</sup>. With this reading of cats, they became frequently anthropomorphized in western literature as devious tricksters.



*fig. 2, Assyrian openwork furniture plaque with the head of a feline, ca. 9th–8th century B.C.*

There is also a long standing historical precedent for anthropomorphization in Japan, which directly leads to the modern cat boy. In Shinto it is believed that everything has a soul, and in Buddhism, all sentient beings can reach enlightenment. This puts animals on an equal playing field with humans, and blurs the distinction and man-made hierarchy between the two. This

<sup>1</sup> Scott, Nora E. "The Cat of Bastet." *The Metropolitan Museum of Art Bulletin* 17, no. 1 (1958): 1-7. doi:10.2307/3258805.

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is exemplified in the Chōjū-jinbutsu-giga, an emakimono or painted handscroll, depicting animals as humans (fig.3).<sup>3</sup>



fig. 3, *Chōjū-jinbutsu-giga*, ca. 12th-13th century A.D.

Now that the history behind the anthropomorphization of cats has been discussed, we shall go back to the subject at hand, the modern cat boy and his appeal. The key to this is the previously mentioned association of cats and sexuality. Cat boys exist as a sexual fantasy primarily for, but not limited to, people who are sexually attracted to men (boys).

Cat boys act as a subversive expression of sexuality, pushing the limits between man and beast<sup>4</sup>. The concept of a wild and beast-like sexuality is something that transgresses societal norms, drawing on the viewers desire for an alternative to society's repressive values of sex. Cat boys can also be an outlet for control and submission. The act of dominating and domesticating a wild beast has a different, yet quite powerful draw to some.

In terms of physical characteristics, cat boys are second to none. They synthesize the best attributes of men and cats, creating a better, more perfect boy (fig. 4). Individual cat boys vary from one another, but the fluffy ears and tail are consistently adorable.

To conclude, as the culmination of thousands of years of development, cat boys are the perfect form.

Nya.

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fig. 4, Silver Ash from the mobile game Arknights

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# My Tagalog Isekai <3

420gilfxcker69

## Notes:

Author's note: Fangs to Sharrel for supporting m3 xoxo. Shut up preps! gimme tree gud reviews and I will post ch 2. Fangs!

"Hampaslupa ka Flora! Huwag mo nang ipakita ang pagmumukha mo sa aking Villa Santa Maria!"

Pa-tong Pa-tong, Dumapi sa aking makinis na pisngi ang malutong na sampal ni Donya Esmeralda. Nagtaka ako sa natikman kong alat ng bakal na kumalat sa aking labi. Sa saglit na iyon, nakita ko ang paiyak na perlas na mga mata ni Lukas na nagtatago ng umaalab na pasyon para sa akin. Inaasam kong sagutin ang kanyang titig ngunit nilamon na ako dilim at ako ay hinimatay. Ay 'wag kang magaalala leading man, konting tiis lang ito para sa ating wedding scene!

Kamusta madling pipol! Tinatanong niyo siguro kung bakit nangyari sakin ang famous magasawang sampal scene. Puwes, nagsimula ang lahat noong nabangga ako ng kotse at namatay ako bago man lamang dalhin ako sa ospital. Akala ko tapos na ang lahat, ngunit naawa ata si Lord God sa aking 26 taon na NBSB(no boyfriend since birth) dahil sa pagmulat kong muli ay nabuhay ako bilang si Flora, ang leading lady ng paborito kong teleserye "Eternal Flame"(titulo din ito ng theme song ng teleserye). Syempre, puno ito ng cliche na kwento katulad ng "siya ang tunay mong ama!" tsaka "hayop ka! Maghihiganti ako sa'yo!" Ay! Laglag panty rin pala ang kagwapuhan ni leading man at ni supporting male lead.

Ngunit, natutunan ko rin na hindi lang bulaklak at liwanag ang buhay ng isang bida. Pagkabuhay na pagkabuhay ko ay sinigawan ako ni Kori(alay ni Donya) dahil hindi ako makapag-igib sa aming lumang poso. Excuse me po! Tingting ang katawan ko! Paano ko maaakit ang tingin ni Lukas kung masel masel ang katawan ko? Hindi pa rin natapos ang paghihirap ko sapagkat lagi akong nasisita dahil sa aking kaawa-awang paggamit ng karit.

"Hoy! Flora tumigil ka sa pagkenden-kendeng mo diyan at ayusin mo ang trabaho mo!" ang nakakairitang sigaw ni Kori. Patawed naman ho ha? Sa tingin niyo ma-iinlove si Lukas kung puno ng kalyo ang kamay ko? Nasa lyrics kaya ng theme song ng teleserye na ito ang salitang 'Ang malambot mong haplos ang liwanag ng buhay ko!' Paano liliwanag ang buhay kung palpak naman pala yoong Meralco? Marami pa akong kwento ngunit kailangan na nating bumalik sa kasalukuyan.

Nagising ako sa liwanag ng bilog na buwan at sa hagulgol ng aking Inay.

"Diyos ko po Flora! Huwag mo akong takutin! Akala ko namatay ka na sa takot!" ang iyak ni inay. " Anong nangyari sa iyo at sinabunutan mo si Leonara at sinagawan mo pa siya na 'mangaagaw ka' sa engagement party niya kay Lukas?" ang hinaing ng aking inay. Ay siya naman ang nagsimula ng aming catfight e—ang hindi ko sasabihin sa inay kong nagugulumihan. Kung hindi niyo nahalata, si Leonara ang contrabida ng teleserye na ito. Tinig pa lang nang kaniyang pangalan ay gumugunita na sa ating isipan ang isang babae na my matalas na kilay, matulis na mga mata, at mapulang labi na nagsaabing "hampaslupa" sa bawat sandaling bumubukas ito. Well, 'yon ngang "H-word" na iyon ang binangkit sa akin ni Leonora kaya sinabunutan ko siya! Atsaka, parte kaya ng lahat ng engagement party ang confrontation kasama ang bida at contrabida!

"Patawed po Inay, ngunit ang pagmamahalan namin ni Lukas ay hindi ko na kayong maitago pa sa aking dibdib," mahinhin kong sinagot si inay sabay nilabas ko ang aking buayang iyak. Tumalab naman yata ang aking best actress face marahil huminahan ang galit ng aking inay at magiliw niyang hinawakan ang dalawa kong kamay.

"Mabuti naman at sinabi mo sa akin ang katotohanan. Susuportahan kita sa kung ano man ang gawin mo." Mahigpit akong niyakap ni inay at maa-mo niyang hinaplos ang aking likod. Mga ilang minuto akong niyakap ni inay ng bigla kong napansin ang mainit na patak ng luha sa aking balikat. Wow ganoon ba talaga ka-effective ang acting ko na umiyak si mother?

"Inay, bakit po kayo umiiyak?" ang aking tanong.

"Naaawa lang ako sa iyong walang pag-asang pagibig. Ngunit huwag kang magalala, susuportahan ka ng inay mo!" mapagtikalang pinangako ni inay. Sa oriinal na teleserye, love-hate relationship si Lukas at ang bida. Tuwing magkita sila, tila ba bagyo at lindol ang dumaan sa pangaasaran ng dalawang bida. Hindi ngayon ang oras para magpalaboy-laboy pa kaya kailangan kong sabihin ang katotoohan kay inay.

"Huwag kayong magalala inay dahil magkaparehas ang damdamin naming dalawa" Grabe hindi ko na kaya pang magsalita na ganito ka-cheesy, Lord God hindi ko carry tong best actress body na 'to.

"Ha? May galit ka rin kay Lukas?" tumaas ang kilay ng aking kaausap.

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# 私は吉良吉景です



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私は33歳です。私の家はモリオの北東部にあり、すべてのヴィラがあり、私は結婚していません。かめゆう百貨店の社員で、遅くとも毎日午後8時までに帰宅しています。私はタバコを吸いませんが、たまに飲みます。

私は午後11時までに就寝しています。何があっても、8時間は必ず睡眠を取ってください。温かい牛乳を1杯飲んで寝る前に約20分のストレッチをした後、私は通常朝まで寝ることに問題はありません。私は赤ちゃんのように、朝は疲労やストレスなしに目を覚します。前回の検診で問題はないと言われました。

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あなたは私のことを何と言ったの？私がネイビーシールズでクラスのトップを卒業したことを知ってもらいます。アルケエダで数々の秘密の襲撃に携わってきました。300人以上の殺害が確認されています。私はゴリラ戦争の訓練を受けており、私は全米軍の中で最高の狙撃兵です。あなたは私には何の役にも立たず、ただの別のターゲットです。この地球上でこれまで見られなかったような正確さで性交を一掃します、私のクソ言葉をマークします。あなたはインターネットで私にそのたわごとを言って逃げることができますか？もう一度考えて、ファッカー。私たちが話している間、私はアメリカ全土のスパイの秘密ネットワークに連絡しており、あなたのIPは現在追跡されているので、嵐、うじ虫に備える準備ができています。あなたがあなたの人生と呼ぶ哀れな小さなことを一掃する嵐。お前は死んだぞ私はどこにでも、いつでもいることができ、700以上の方であなたを殺すことができます。それは私の素手だけです。私は非武装戦闘で広範囲に訓練されているだけでなく、私は米国海兵隊の兵器全体にアクセスでき、大陸の顔からあなたの惨めなお尻を拭き取るためにそれを最大限に使用します、あなたはちょっとくそ。もしあなただけが、あなたの小さな「賢い」コメントがあなたに降りかけようとしている不誠実な報復が何であるかを知ることができたなら、おそらくあなたはあなたのクソ舌を握っていたらどう。しかし、できなかっただし、できなかっただし、今は代金を払っているのだ。私はあなたのいたるところに激怒し、あなたはそれに溺れます。お前は死んだぞ、キッド。

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BORED DURING LOCKDOWNS  
AND QUARANTINES?

INTERESTED IN BEING HUNTED  
DOWN AND BEING MURDERED  
BY DEMONS?

OR PERHAPS YOU JUST WANT YOUR  
SOUL STUFFED INTO A CHILD'S BODY  
SO THAT YOU CAN NEVER ESCAPE  
THIS JOB EVEN AFTER YOU DIE?

**THEN YOU HAVE AN  
EXCITING CAREER AS AN  
EXORCIST AHEAD OF YOU!**

WORRIED THAT YOU MIGHT  
NOT BE THE **RIGHT FIT** FOR  
**THIS JOB?**

WE'LL SIMPLY KEEP TRYING  
MORE AND MORE CRYSTALS ON  
YOU TILL YOU FIND YOUR  
**PERFECT MATCH!** SURE, SOME  
HAVE COMPARED THE  
EXPERIENCE TO TORTURE, BUT  
WE SAY IT **BUILDS**  
**CHARACTER!** ;D

OUR LAST EXORCIST  
PROJECT GOT HIMSELF  
TURNED INTO TUMOROUS  
CLUMPS OF VERY HUNGRY  
EYELESS HEADS SO WE  
NEED TO REPLACE HIM  
HEHE!

OOOPS  
IGNORE  
THAT LAST  
PART  
HAHA



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ABEER HOSSAIN

The characters in this anime are what make it great: Hannah Montana, Lil Nas X, Martha Stewart and Snoop Dogg, and of course the star, Naruto D. Kurosaki.

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**Pop**

MARC CASTILLO

Holy! The long awaited sequel to the heart-breaking 2nd season of the Presidential Elections is finally here! With all the drama of bribery, backstabbing and Putin-senpai, I am so excited (and scared) for this 2nd season. Will best girl Bernie finally win and will I ever get a job due to this? Well, I don't know! It's still ongoing so we don't know if the ending will be a socialist utopia or a nuclear winter! Definitely a life-changing experience.

## THE BATTLE OF OKEHAZAMA

JUNE, 1560



THEO RAI

The Battle of Okehazama (桶狭間の戦い, Okehazama-no-tatakai) took place in June 1560. In this battle, Oda Nobunaga defeated Imagawa Yoshimoto and established himself as one of the front-running warlords in the Sengoku period.

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**Likes Them Big And Chunky**

VICTOR LOPEZ

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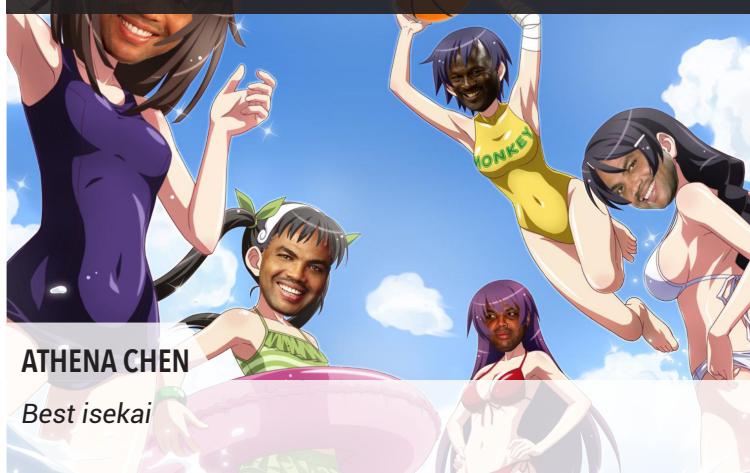


ELIJAH BARTOLOME

The "Holding Out for a Hero" scene is the magnum opus of anime. I cry for giant gingerbread man every time

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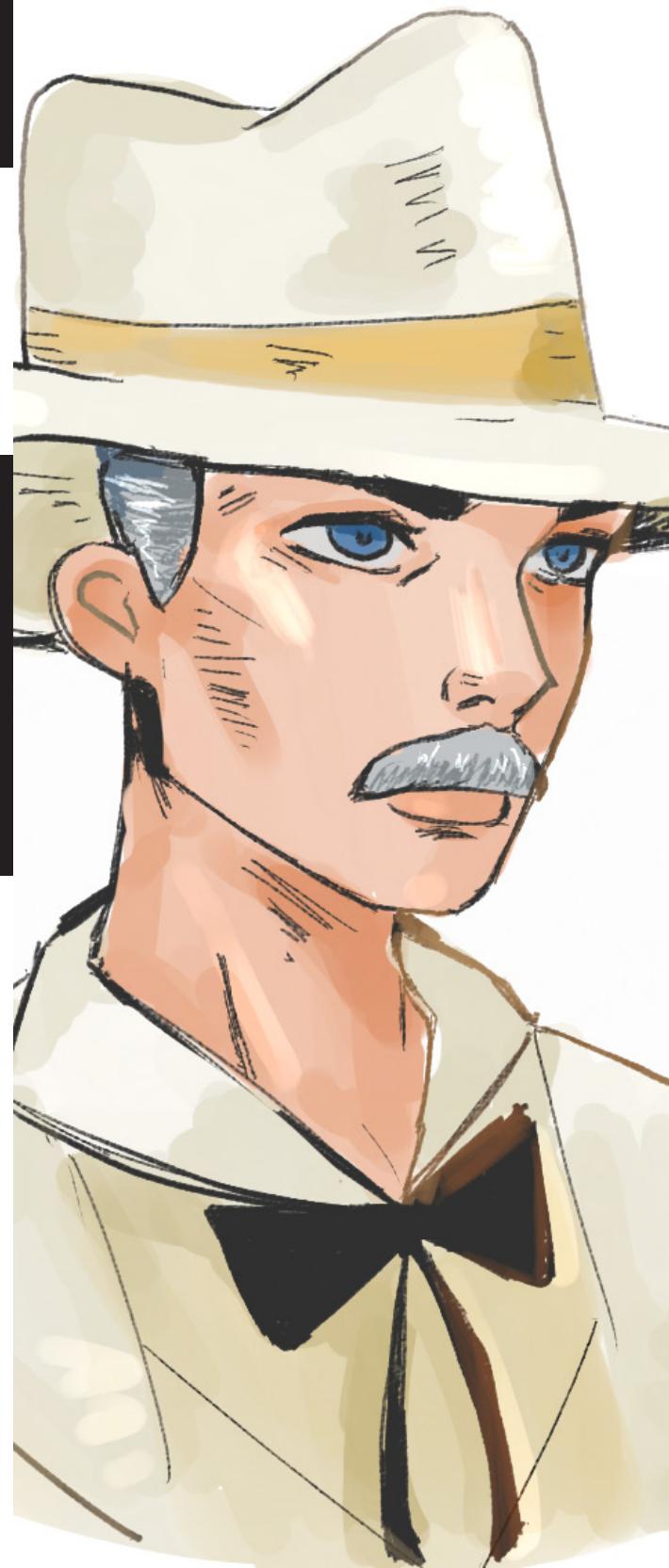
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