

THE CLASS OF 2018 BENNINGTON READING LIST

At Bennington we read—a lot. We don't just read, we talk about what we read, we blog about what we read, and we are always curious about what everyone else is reading, which is why we asked you to suggest a book that we all should read.

YOU RECOMMENDED 622 BOOKS!

Every single book suggested by an enrolled student will be added (if it is not already there) to Bennington's Crossett Library collection. In fact, this is exactly how Crossett builds its collection—fulfilling book requests made by Bennington students, faculty, and staff.

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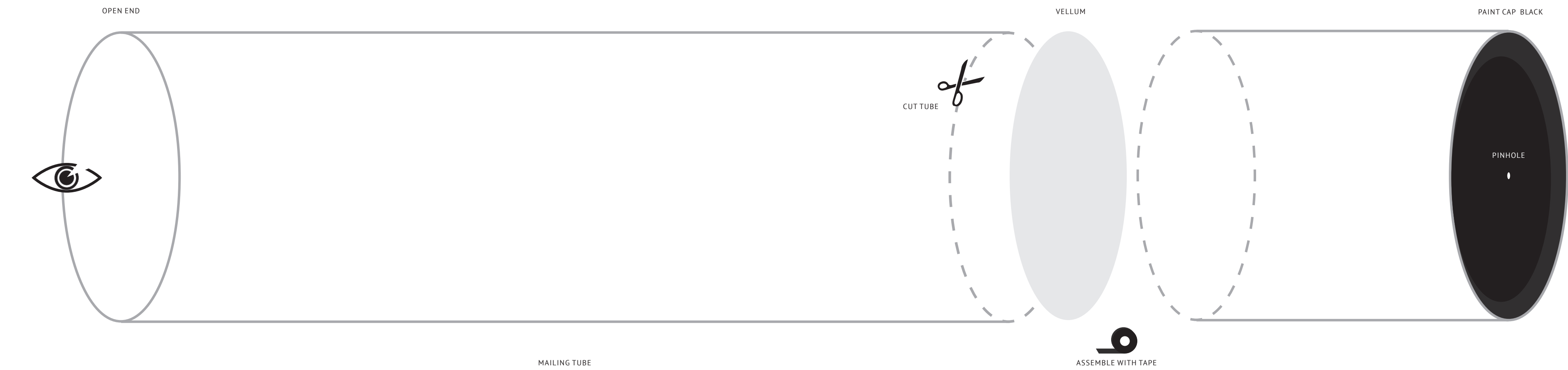


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"WE ARE CONNECTED NOW BY OUR MEMORIES OF LIFE IN THE UPSIDE DOWN. Take a moment to summon up the sights, sounds, smells, tastes, and texture of our time here: Remember how the End of the World looked when you first saw it by moonlight, fog curling at the base of the mountains. Remember the sound of bare feet slapping the sprung wood floor in Martha Hill, the give and take of the dancers' breaths coming in concert. Remember the scent of spring lilacs outside your window. Remember strawberry cheesecake ice cream, cold and luscious in your bowl—and recall Moroccan Chicken, if you dare. Remember your bare, burning hands as you packed a snowball to hurt in battle, and how those same hands trembled under the table during your first Plan meeting.

As we stand here on the threshold of graduation, about to launch ourselves into the outside world clutching our "diplomas-that-are-also-resumes," we need to pause, to remember all that we've done. But we can't stay enjoying our victories for too long, because we are also about to enter into unknown and uncharted territory: we will soon be Bennington alumni. And once there, we will begin to discover what generations of alumni before us have already found out—that although we are young, although we are scared, and although we still have much to learn, the world beyond these Green Mountains needs Bennington alumni, needs people who have experienced the upside down." —Excerpted remarks from a senior speech by Brian Pietras '07.



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