

XOXO the zine / August 2019

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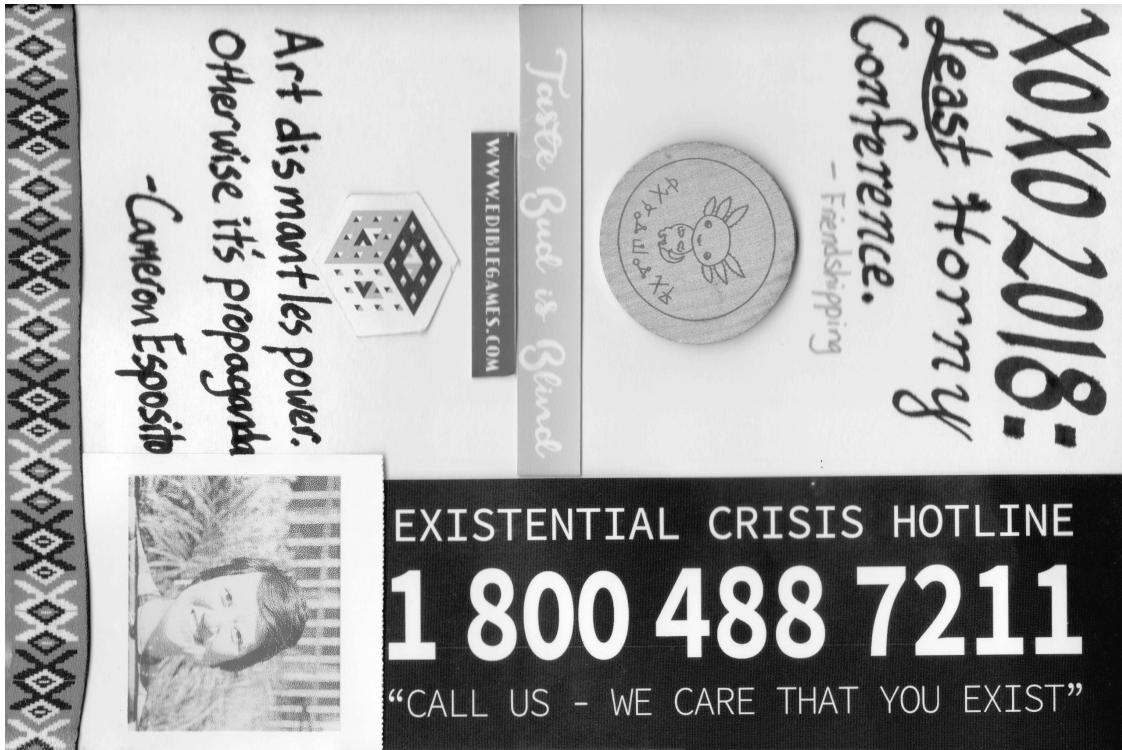
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Thank you to the contributors and the
community ❤ Let's do it again next year,
OK?



I really meant to make an XOXO zine last year. I came home from Portland, overflowing with love for my internet, the internet I discovered when I was 14, the internet of blogging and forums and HTML. A old-fashioned zine seemed like the best way to celebrate.

A year later, I still hadn't made that zine, but I had redesigned my website. I started blogging again, daily. The last decade online hasn't been what I thought it would be. A lot of us tried to quit, hoping to find the answers in disconnecting from the feed. XOXO reminded me that the best stuff isn't always in the feed; it's in the connections.

Zines and blogs come from the same place inside of me: my stubbornly independent self. I make these things because I want them to exist in the world, and if no one else is gonna do it, I'll do it alone.

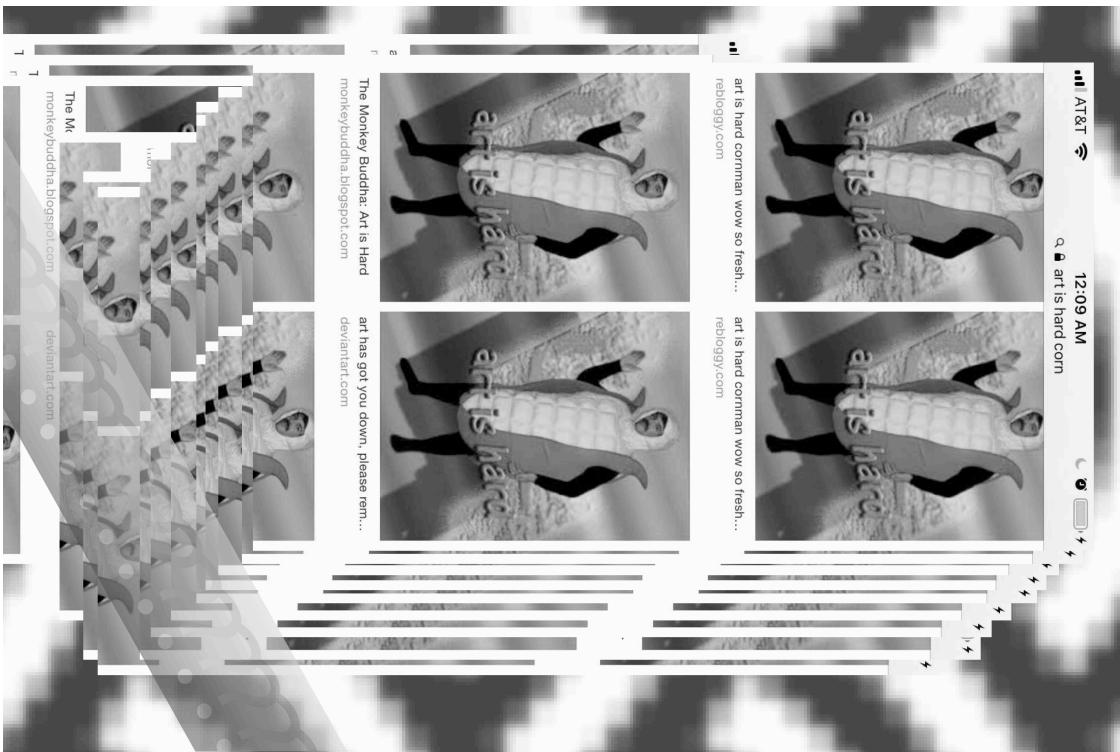
That's another important XOXO lesson. You don't have to do it alone.

This is the unofficial XOXO zine, a celebration of the festival in Portland, the community on the internet, and the stubbornly independent self inside us all—the self who wants to make cool things and share them with other people.

Not everyone gets a chance to join the festival in person. But that doesn't mean you don't belong here. This zine is a piece of XOXO we want to share with you, a piece of the city, a piece of the feelings, a piece of the connections which hold us together.

This is my internet. We're gonna bring it back.

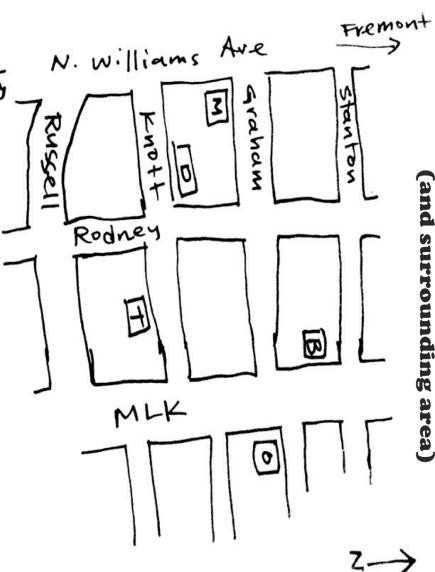




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(and surrounding area)



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Used books, wise owner, marginalized
used books, Mon-Mon afternoons.

[D]ishman Community Center

Accessible public bathrooms
Swim, waf, hot tub,
open 24 hours.

[M]icrocosm Bookstore

Tues-Sat, 11-5

Empowering nonfiction books
#4115037992299 for accessible entry

[O]pen Signal Community Media

Art exhibit - 2 floors, accessible
Most store requires a membership,
locals check it out!

**[W]ittle Wave - sells retired library
books. ★ wheelchair accessible**

Mon-Sat, 10-4 (or 6)
by Elly Blue

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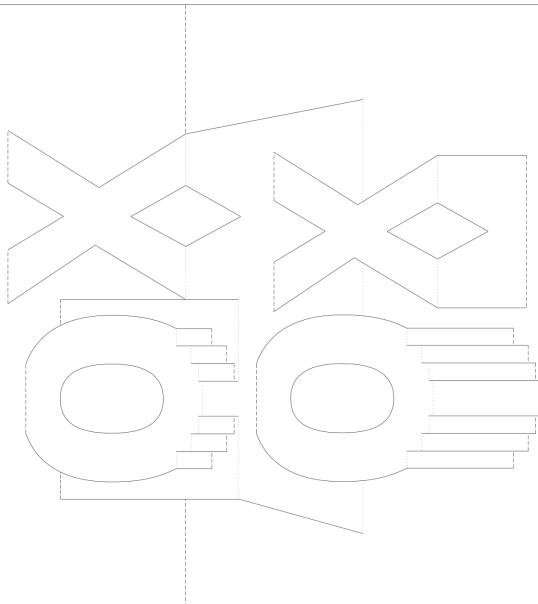
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bawler	starstruck	forever young	incognito mode	exit, pursued by a bear
heyyyyy...ooou?	heroes	drink water	lunchgames	hiya neighbor!
all star	new fan	eat and greet	put a bird on it	linguist
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To play the game, go to xoxo.bingo



Make an XOXO Pop Up Card!

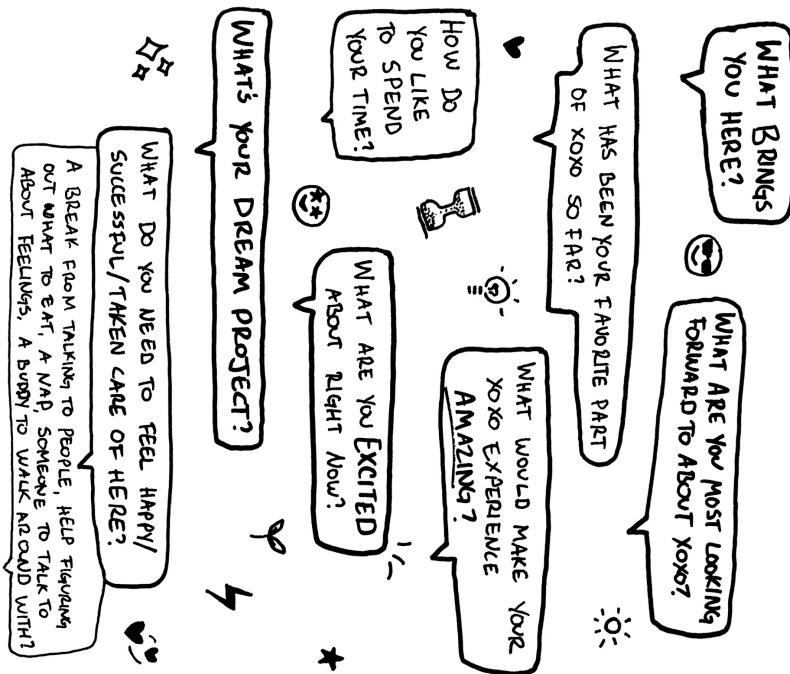


- Copy, print or trace the pattern onto card stock.
- Score the mountain fold lines on the front.
- Score the valley fold lines on the back.
- Cut the solid lines.
- Gently fold into shape!

Mountain Fold
Valley Fold
Cut

More detailed instructions & SVG
download at:
<https://EvermoreStudio.io/xoxo-2019/>

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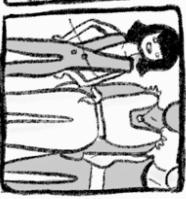
How to MAKE FRIENDS at XOXO

1. Be totally intimidated.



NOW

2. Call your partner.



3. Party with your new friends.

