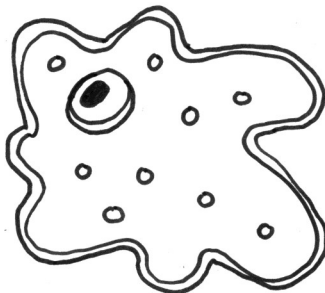


Asexuality is more complicated than I thought!



Asexual: a person who does not experience
SEXUAL ATTRACTION



about the zinemaker

In the spirit of responsible sociological methodology, I believe transparency about my subject position is very important. I am by no means an authority on sexuality, nor should this zine be viewed as the final word on or ultimate guide to asexuality. I definitely didn't cover everything about asexuality even goofed some stuff up. I'm human and my work is colored (though it be in black and white) by my perspective and experiences.

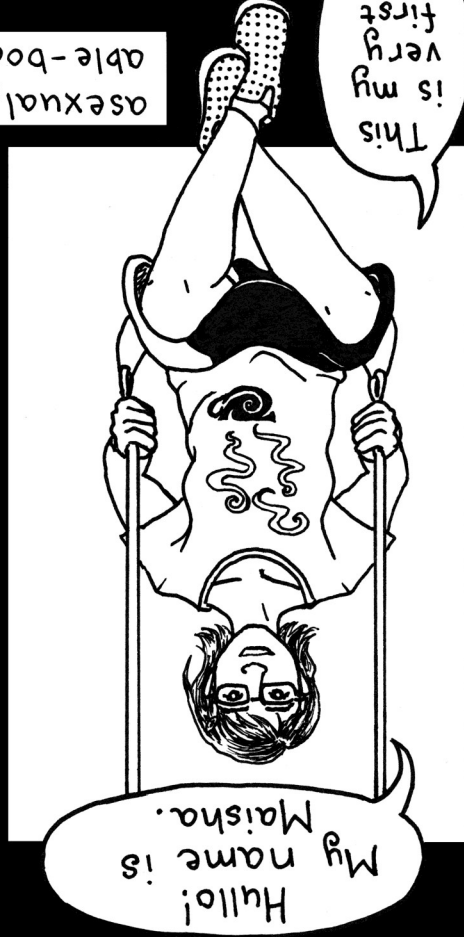
• age: 23
at the time of this writing:
I am not a vampire and I do age.

• location: Portland, OR

• assorted identity tags:

asexual, queer, cisgender, white, able-bodied, femme-ish, female

GRAB BAG: social justice, tea, dinosaurs, kids, crafts, webcomics, chocolate, bicycling, singing along very badly, vegetarian cooking, gardening, communing with tomatoes



OTHER WORKS of the ILLUSTRATED SORT

-Sex Talk: a comic about communication, consent, & getting it on online at tingurl.com/sextalkcomic
-Lifelines (an autobio webcomic that updates at random) tingurl.com/maishacomic

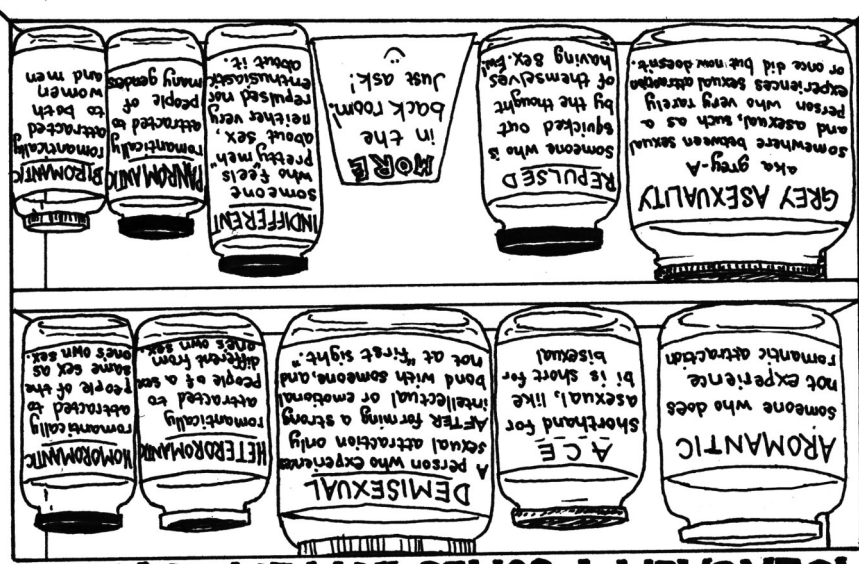
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Asexuality
!S...
considered a
sexual
orientation
(or lack thereof)
totally
normal!
a spectrum
& an
umbrella
about 1% of people
identify with in the
asexuality community
term

a
label
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ASEXUALITY COMES IN A LOT OF FLAVORS



RESOURCE LIBRARY

LOVE FROM THE ASEXUAL UNDERGROUND asexualunderground.blogspot.com	SHADES OF GRAY grasexuality.wordpress.com	ASEXY BEAST theonepercentclub.blogspot.com	ASEXUAL FEMINISMS acefeminisms.blogspot.com	ASEXUALITY ARCHIVE asexualityarchive.com	ASEXUALITY STUDIES asexualitystudies.org	ASEXUAL EXPLORATIONS asexualexplorations.net	ASEXUALITIC: asexual dating site asexualitc.com	ACEBOOK: asexual dating site ace-book.net	APOSITIVE a sex-positive asexual forum apositive.org	AVEN: Asexuality Visibility and Education Network asexuality.org
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ONLINE COMMUNITIES

INFORMATION

BLOGS (NON-TUMBLR)

ASEXUAL EXPERIENCES asexual-experiences.tumblr.com	ACE WATCH acewatch.tumblr.com	ASEXUALITY-EXISTS asexuality-exists.tumblr.com	YOU KNOW YOU'RE ASEXUAL WHEN youknowyoureasexual.tumblr.com	ASEXUAL EDUCATION asexual-education.tumblr.com	ASEXUALITY EXISTS asexualityexists.tumblr.com	GRAY-ASEXUALITY gray-asexuality.tumblr.com	DEMISEXUALITY demisexuality.tumblr.com	CAKE YEAH ASEXUALS cakeyeahasexuals.tumblr.com	ASEXUAL AXOLOTL asexualaxolotl.tumblr.com	ASEXUAL ADVICE asexualadvice.tumblr.com	ACE SECRETS ace-secrets.tumblr.com
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TUMBLRS

VIRGIN #1 and #2 alchemistscloset.org/virgin.html	ASEXUAL FEMINISM	ASEXY LIFE available from microcosm publishing	(A)SEXUAL: Not everybody's doing it artsengine.net/asexual	THE ASEXUALITY CHRONICLES blip.tv/theasexualitychronicles/	THE DAPPER ACE youtube.com/user/TheDapperAce/	ACESOMNIACS youtube.com/user/ACESOMNIACS/	HOT PIECES OF ACE youtube.com/user/HotPiecesOfAce/
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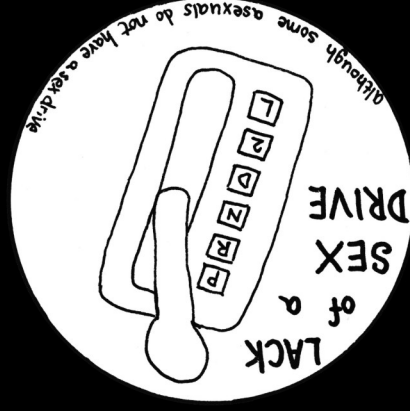
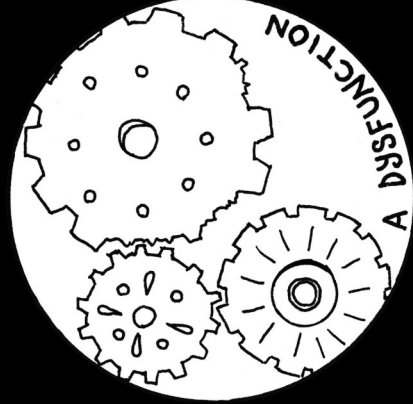
DOCUMENTARY

ZINES

ADD YOUR OWN!



ASEXUALITY IS NOT:



How to be an Ally to ASEXUALS

1. Listen and believe us!

Everyone is the expert of their own experience.

2. Educate yourself about asexuality.

Lots of resources exist. Use them!

3. Ask before asking.

Not all asexuals want to be your asexuality encyclopedia. Make sure an asexual is open to questions before asking.

4. Advocate for asexual visibility.

Asexuality gets left out a lot. Include it!

Support projects that make asexuality visible.

5. Move up, move back.

Know when to talk about asexuality and when to listen to asexual voices.



TIPS for SEXUALS DATING ASEXUALS

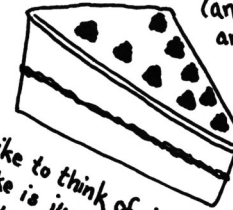
a guest page authored
by Melissa Sweet

- ~ YOUR PARTNER'S ASEXUALITY is not a reflection of a "failure" on your part to "make" them be sexually attracted to you. You also can't "make" them be sexual. But you can...
- ~ UNDERSTAND that you might not understand each other's different sexualities but talk about it often, and talk to other people about it when it's appropriate. You both need supportive listeners!
- ~ ENCOURAGE your partner to connect with an asexual community.
- ~ CONSENT and OPEN COMMUNICATION are key to an awesome relationship - talk about what sex means for both of you, what you feel like you need in order to be with the other person, and most importantly, be HONEST about what you need and be willing to compromise - but know when you can and can't compromise.
- ~ JUST BECAUSE YOUR PARTNER isn't sexually attracted to you doesn't mean you're not a SEXY BEAST. Your partner's attraction to you isn't indicative of how the world sees you. Appreciate and recognize ways that your partner feels closest to you, which is likely to be nonsexually.
- ~ READ and TALK about asexuality and find good resources to be a great partner and ally.



resources

Cake is used to welcome newcomers to AVEN, the Asexuality Visibility & Education Network (an online forum and community, asexuality.org)



I like to think of it this way: cake is just as good - and maybe better than - sex!



represents the spectrum of sexual attraction, with black being asexual (at the bottom) and white being sexual, with shades of grey in between.

$53x + m^3 = \emptyset$
can be read as
sex + me = no result



ASEXUALITY
FLAG

black stripe represents asexuality
grey stripe represents grey asexuality & demisexuality
white stripe represents sexuality
purple stripe represents community



Aces represent asexuality because asexuals often call themselves "aces" for short. Ace of hearts and ace of spades are particularly used.

