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Huh, Hey, Baby

People Are Weird

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Tarot Cards designed by students and artist mentors for the Mid-Year Makings Art Exhibit on Valentines Day 2014.
Guy-maly Pierre

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Long hair
don't care

Natalia Rossi
Cheese makes me shout
These drawing are from a game among students and mentors. Each person draws a character and passes it to someone else who adds something to the character to build a comic.
Dana & Alyssa - still from stop motion animation with Lisa Frank Unicorn’s.
Father

Hey Dad, I think we need to talk...
Please don’t lie to me anymore,
I can tell whether or not you tell me the truth,
You say “Everything will be okay. This is the last time.”
How can I be so fucking sure?
You can be the vindictive, abusive and envious man
I am used to it...
Whenever I get a beating it tickles,
My three square meals I get each day: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner.
The feeling of a leather belt in rapid speed, hitting my back, legs, arms, chest and my skin three times a week.
It tickles, creeps up on me more, over and over but with steel hands.
Father, I love you, but I can’t do this anymore.
We are growing apart,
You distorted my feelings as to how I think a father should be.
I thought you can be the protective strong guy I can rely on, and play catch with me during the weekends.
But instead you became a real torture machine, torturing not only me but the rest of the family.
I hope you understand what is on my mind, please don’t you cry, I need to be honest.
You put us through hell and back for the past couple of years,
With the drunken arguements you had with my mother,
Objects are thrown at you. And readily returned back,
This is an undocumented war that no one knows about but your kids.
But there were times where you made me smile,
I appreciate the little things you have done for me, like helping me with simple addition and division no matter how much our family is divided.
We move on and carry on as time flies.
You weren’t the perfect dad, but you are worth it.
Just didn’t put enough work into really loving us, we had to learn to love ourselves before you attempted to show that you care.
I am trying to understand you, hopefully you can do the same for me.

Naomy Gutierrez
Vuthy Lay
This is how You Lose Me

I wanted to express how I truely feel you know?
I never thought you would be that way towards me, not so much as to feeling that way...
You would always come to me with your problem.
Usually relationship problems.
Involving the Elmer Fudd of a lover who only wanted to do one thing and that was to shoot his load of bullets into your inner Bugs Bunny,
Opening your body with fresh wounds as the color red appears.
Red is the color of love,
As well as blood.
I remember how close we got,
I enjoyed the times we’ve spent.
I’m glad you’re happy, I’m glad you’ve enjoyed it. Now learn to remember it.
You have a souvenir,
The necklace I gave you.
Nobody has ever bought you anything, but I wanted to change everything.
Whenever you’re with him, do you think of me?
I feel like whenever we would talk, you would talk to him at the same time.
You’ll hate him, then want me, then miss him and hate me.
All I wanted to do was something that he never accomplished.
We never spoke after this,
I woke up a new person, less stressful. You used to be my potential part time lover, now you’re foreign to me like an extraterrestrial.
Sorry if I made you feel more ugly than how I thought you were on the inside.
Yeah, you’re right. I can do better. But you could’ve done amazing.
Have fun with the piece of scum who only wants fun with you when it’s dark and bodies are covered in bedsheets.
I won’t be there to save you.
And this is how you lose me.

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