

RIOT GRRRL WORLD

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NEWS-

LETTER: HER-STORY...

"THE IDEA TO MAKE A
RIOT GRRRL WORLD

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BRAINSTORMING
ABOUT THE

POSSIBILITY. THIS
NEWSLETTER IS

SUPPOSED TO BE
PUBLISHED EVERY 3-4
MONTHS AND WILL BE
SPREAD ALL OVER THE
WORLD TO REACH AS

MANY PEOPLE AS
POSSIBLE AND CREATE

A RIOT GRRRL
NETWORK. HELP IS
ALWAYS WELCOME.
WE'D LIKE TO KEEP
THIS NEWSLETTER
SMALL. THE IDEA IS
THAT EVERY ISSUE WILL
BE

CREATE/COLLECTED
BY A DIFFERENT
PERSON OR GROUP" -
AN EXTRACT FROM
RGW ISSUE #2



Reclaim The Media...

As an addition to the *Take Back The News* article by Emily (RGW Newsletter, issue #2), I would like to mention a Seattle-based non-profit organisation that I have recently come across called *Reclaim the Media*. The group was founded in Spring 2002, and has dedicated itself to "changing media policy at the local and federal level, so that the structure of our media favors the public interest, rather than a powerful elite". I think that this is extremely relevant to the RG movement right now, as I have recently witnessed a huge rise in the number of grrrls I know becoming disheartened that the movement where they are seems to be at a standstill. I think that we need to get people listening again, and I hope that we can work collectively with independent media groups such as *RTM* to make this happen. I would like to see more RG chapters and collectives working together to add more

newsletters like this one to their agendas to make people take notice again. Let's give it all we've got to show everyone that the RG movement hasn't just gone away! If you would like to find out more about *RTM*, you can do so via their website at: <http://www.reclaimthemedial.org> OR you can also write to them at: Reclaim the Media, P.O. Box 22754, Seattle WA 98122-0754. You can also email them at: universaldeclaration@reclaimthemedial.org

I would really like to hear from any grrrls or bois who are interested in this independent media movement, and would maybe like to put a zine, website or newsletter together. If anyone is interested, you can email me (Ashleigh) at: lily_media2006@hotmail.com

Stitches For Bitches

Stitches For Bitches was founded by Danielle Marinovich in 2002. Her partners include Lindsay Roberts and Lisa Roberts, who have brought more than 25 years of experience in marketing and graphic design and 20 years of experience in operations (respectively) to the company. The creative inspiration of the company is fuelled by Danielle's experience in the punk, metal and rock 'n' roll scenes, and, after losing her sister to breast cancer, Danielle ensures that a percentage of the profits from all *SFB* sales go to the *Susan G. Komen Foundation*, to help the many men and women facing the challenges of breast cancer. Due to marketing limitations encountered by the company name, they also operate under the names *SFB* and *Who's Your Betty*, the latter inspired by the company's mascot (pictured right).

You can check out *SFB* products via their websites (<http://www.stitchesforbitches.com> OR <http://www.SFBinc.com>), write to them at: Stitches For Bitches, Danielle Marinovich, P.O. Box 5834, Berkeley, CA 94705 or email them at: info@SFBinc.com

Happy Shopping! ♀

Anti-Hero: Riot Grrrl Rockers

Suicide Girls

Anti-Hero, the female fronted, Ontario-based four piece, crashed onto the music map in May/June 2005 with their debut video shoot and the release of their debut album, *Unpretty*, and have been gathering momentum, and fans, ever since. The band is led by their incredibly photogenic front woman, Rose Perry (formerly of the all-girl pop/rock band *HER*, who became a phenomenon locally and nationally, and played for audiences of 20,000 rowdy fans), joined by lead guitarist Jesse Tomes, vocalist/bassist/guitarist Nicole VanHaverbeke and drummer Matty Cole. The only words that can be used to describe their sound are 'breathtaking', 'innovative' and 'completely original' to say the least, as they are like nothing I have ever heard before or am likely to hear again. With influences between them from everyone from *Pantera* to *Alicia Keys*, it's easy to see where their beautifully rounded and unique sound has come from. After becoming a victim to the astoundingly infectious melodies of *Anti-Hero*, I can safely say that this is a band who deserve to make it to the top, and if their beautiful, intelligent and strong-minded front woman has anything to do with it, they'll get there.

"We aren't going to stop until we're heard. We aren't just another rock band - we've got a message, we speak out for what we believe in, and we want to make a change." - Rose Perry

If you'd like to find out more about the band, bios, photos, tour dates and information on their debut album can be found on their website:

<http://www.anti-hero.ca>

You can email the band at: antiheroband@hotmail.com or if you want to write to them, the address is; ANTI-HERO, HER Records, 553 Adelaide St. N., Suite 3B, London ONT Canada N6B 3J6.



ANTI-HERO: (left to right) Matty, Nicole, Rose & Jesse

The SG website was founded by chief photographer Missy Suicide in the Summer of 2001 and has since become a controversial global phenomenon.

The aim of the site is to show pin-up style photographs of women who are not afraid to be different –women with tattoos and piercings who generally aren't represented in mainstream media. This shows people that women all over the world can be beautiful just for being themselves and not conforming to the polished, fashion magazine versions of how women today should look. Celebrities in support of SG include Courtney Love and Dave Grohl, who included sixty-six Suicide Girls in a promo video for his band *Probot*.

To find out more about SG, you can visit the website at:
<http://www.suicidegirls.com>

As editor of this issue of the Riot Grrrl World Newsletter, I would just like to say thank you to anyone who consented to feature in this issue, particularly Rose Perry and Danielle Marinovich, who helped out greatly. However, I didn't receive any stories for inclusion about the RG chapters around the world and this worried me. Really, I would just like to ask all grrrls and bois out there to stay motivated - without you this movement *will* fall apart; we need your support! So please don't be shy to contribute to or volunteer to edit the upcoming issues of the RGW Newsletter. If you have any questions, you can email me at: lily_media2006@hotmail.com, or if you would like to edit the next issue, email Nina at flapper_grrrl@yahoo.co.uk or nina@riotgrrrlbelguim.cjb.net Alternatively, you can contact her via the RGW website at: <http://www.geocities.com/riotgrrrlworld.com>

KEEP RIOTING!!!