

“I’VE GOT SOMETHING TO SAY!”:
FAN VIDS, FAN PLAY, &
PARTICIPATORY CULTURE”

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WHAT IS A FAN VID?



- VIDEO CLIPS CUT TOGETHER AND SET TO MUSIC;
- VIDEO CLIPS WITH ORIGINAL AUDIO CUT TOGETHER, MAYBE ALSO SET TO MUSIC OR NOT;
- “CRACK” COMPILATION VIDEOS;
- VLOGS OR VIDEO DIARIES;
- RE-ENACTMENTS OF STORY ELEMENTS;
- ACTING OUT NEW STORIES BASED ON FAVOURITE STORIES;
- VIDEOS MADE BY FANS

HISTORY OF THE FAN VID

- 1975 — KANDY FONG — SLIDES
[HTTPS://CRITICALCOMMONS.ORG/MEMBERS/FCOPPA/CLIPS/KANDY-FONGS-FIRST-SLIDESLOW](https://criticalcommons.org/members/FCOPPA/clips/kandy-fongs-first-slideslow)
- “PRESSURE” — HOW FAN VIDS WERE MADE IN THE 1980s



Figures 12–15. Images from Sterling Eidolan and the Odd Woman Out's fan vid, "Pressure" (1990), showing the technological requirements of vid making.



Figures 8–11. Images from Sterling Eidolan and the Odd Woman Out's fan vid, "Pressure" (1990), showing the vidders creating a vid.

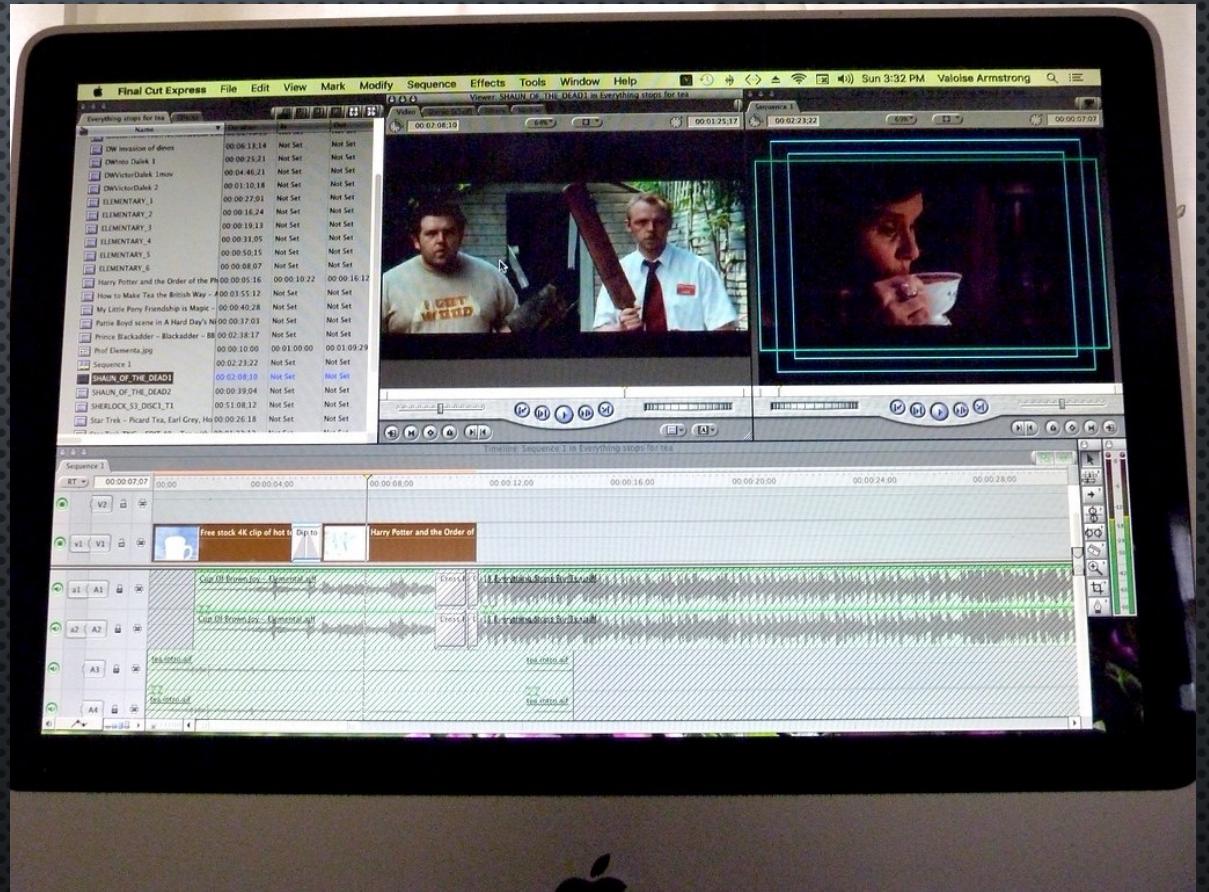
EARLY AFFORDANCES OF FAN VID TECHNOLOGY

- EXPENSIVE
- NOT READILY AVAILABLE
- REQUIRED MULTIPLE USERS TO OWN & OPERATE
- EXTENSIVE STORYBOARDING & PLANNING
- SHARED IN ONE-TO-ONE RELATIONSHIP & (MOSTLY) SHARED PHYSICAL SPACES
- CREATED COMMUNITY
- MENTORSHIP
- BOTH ENDURING AND EPHEMERAL MEDIA CREATION
- GENERALLY ADULTS ONLY



AFFORDANCES OF MODERN FAN VID TECHNOLOGY

- EASY ACCESS
- CHEAP (RELATIVELY SPEAKING)
- MULTIPLE SOURCES FOR LEARNING EDITING TOOLS
- SHARED ONLINE COMMUNITY (FOR THOSE IN ISOLATED LOCATIONS)
- SEARCHABLE DIGITAL LIBRARIES OF VIDEO AND AUDIO CLIPS
- CENTRAL GLOBAL PLATFORMS FOR SHARING
- NOT AGE-RESTRICTIVE



“MYTHCONCEPTIONS” ABOUT PLAY

- CONTESSA SMALL: “MYTHCONCEPTIONS” (2016)
- 1. “TRIVIALIZATION” OF PLAY
- 2. DECLINE OF PLAY
- 3. DESTRUCTION BY POPULAR CULTURE
- 4. REPLACEMENT OF ARTIFACTS WITH MEDIA



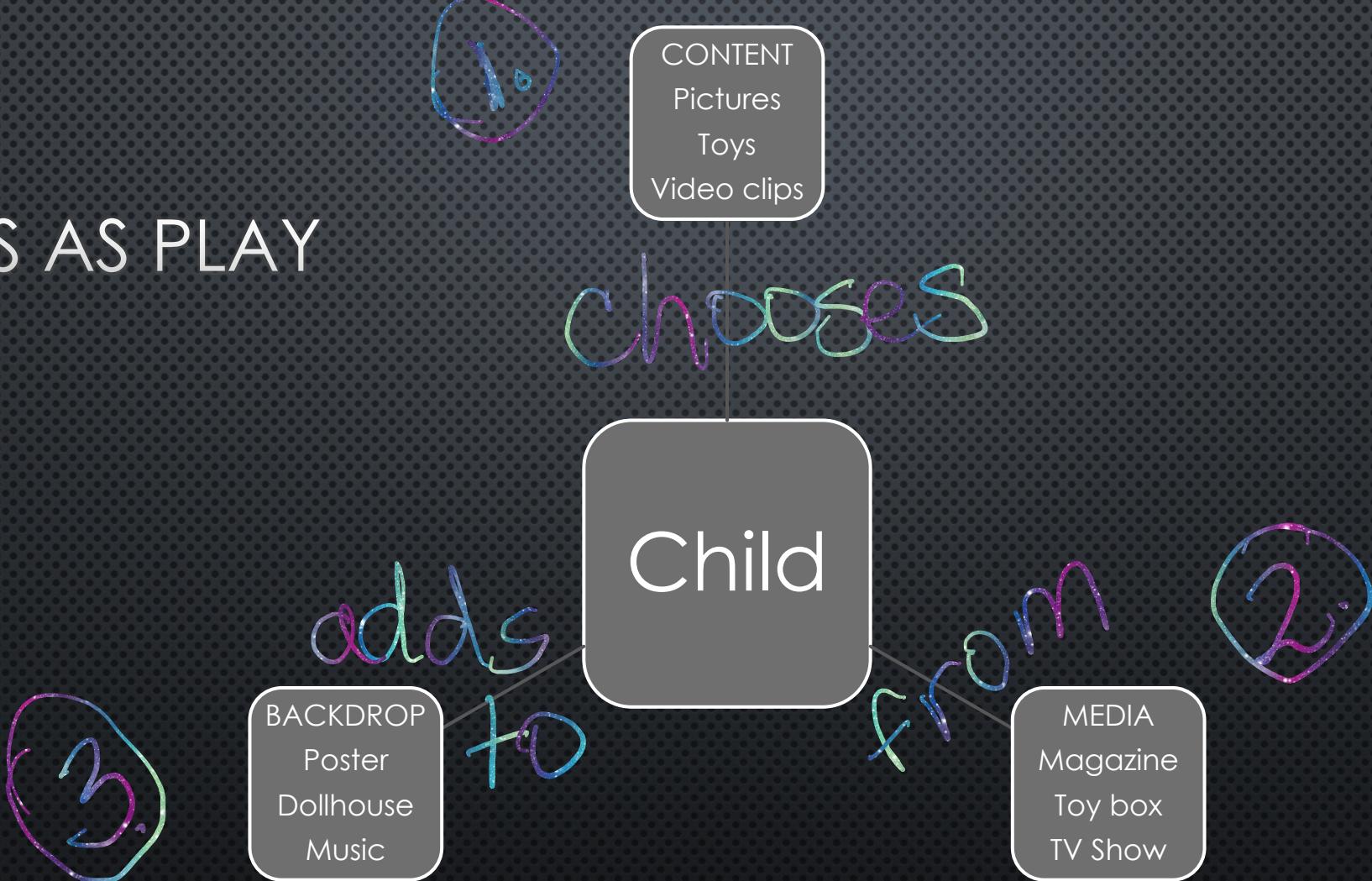
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- LIVE ACTION CRACK [HTTPS://youtu.be/shLj5t_jRAM?si=_jGZoPsQABDQoT2n](https://youtu.be/shLj5t_jRAM?si=_jGZoPsQABDQoT2n)
- LIVE ACTION RECREATION [HTTPS://youtu.be/EKSNw9WQC-8?si=1-CQ591GGrk7KOpM](https://youtu.be/EKSNw9WQC-8?si=1-CQ591GGrk7KOpM)
- THEVIDEOBIRD VLOG [HTTPS://youtu.be/vCupbgMpyP0?t=109&si=Y_7JB2uv6EPauzuY](https://youtu.be/vCupbgMpyP0?t=109&si=Y_7JB2uv6EPauzuY)
- HOW-TO VIDEOS [HTTPS://youtu.be/qwh7NfPIv8c?si=rsNxzcouxEouptb0](https://youtu.be/qwh7NfPIv8c?si=rsNxzcouxEouptb0)
- VLOGS [HTTPS://youtu.be/x8a0In5XeaY?si=dOOGif5ddx79jY89](https://youtu.be/x8a0In5XeaY?si=dOOGif5ddx79jY89)
- MULTIFANDOM & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
[HTTPS://youtu.be/14i0ejVdov4?t=91&si=DGn8UwNWfO4F40_6](https://youtu.be/14i0ejVdov4?t=91&si=DGn8UwNWfO4F40_6)

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Replies

@susansalmon1585 • 5y ago

I'm 19 and an alcoholic. None of my family knows, I keep it myself trying to control it. I used to go through two large bottles a night alone while taking Pain killers just to take the pain away. I used to burn and cut myself since I was 13. Bad childhood when I'm drunk or taking pill or smoking in that moment I don't feel anything the pain the things that haunt my head the ones my parents are Disgusted by. I've sober for a day and no one knows. Taking each day at a time

85



Add a reply...

Replies

1

@inesliljestrand3157 • 2y ago
16 and an alcoholic and I have no idea how I will stop

1

M @michellecake5021 • 1y ago
I'm 22 now but this reminded me of my 16 year old self, please get clean now ❤️, trust me in the long run you will be so happy.. DONT go down that dark path.. there is no way out sometimes.

1

C @carly7123 • 11mo ago
my addiction started at 15 it's been a struggle ever since, I hope you're doing well and you're clean ❤️

1

V @valeriejagram9225 • 6mo ago
You got this

1

itsemmyluv • 3mo ago
@cole4220 hey girly. how's it going

1

Replies

@augustquast8934 • 5y ago

15 years old and a addict but 2 weeks clean
guess it's something

315

@lexia9464 • 4y ago
august quast I'm 17 and an alcoholic we'll get through this

15

@robloxfan768 • 4y ago (edited)
Rose Martin-Wood same age big problems also not clean

4

@ranancuelabarbaoa5049 • 4y ago
@Rose-yu6pt what nicotine?

2

@cole4220 • 4y ago
3 days clean, 13 years old

7

@addyurdaddy2851 • 4y ago
I was 13 :(

4

@normalperson8638 • 4y ago

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&/OR
UNWORTHY
OF STUDY

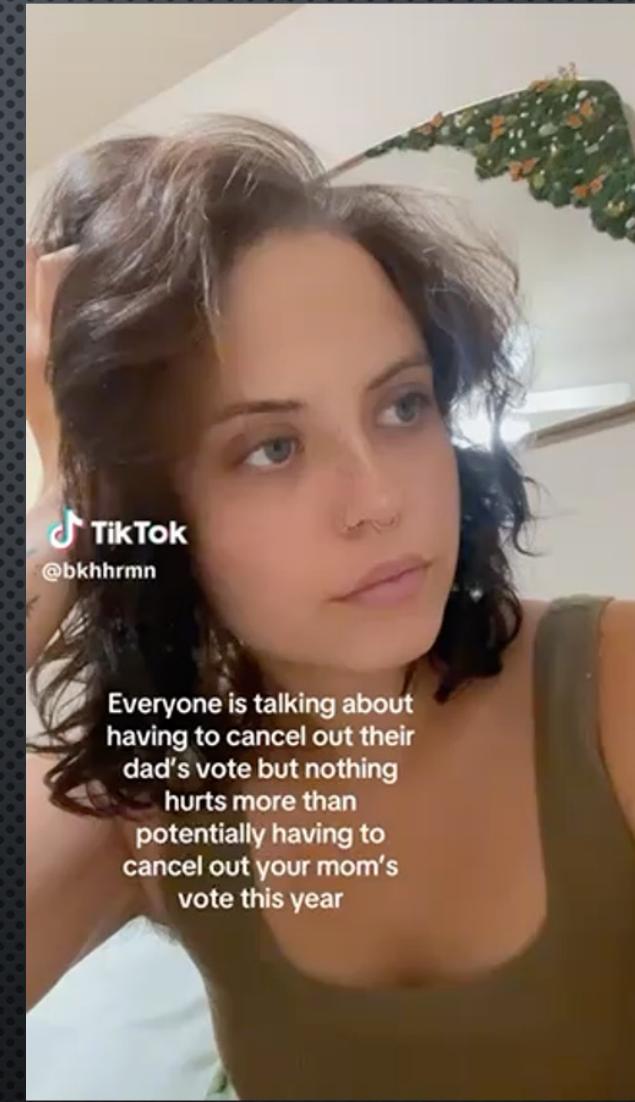


DESTRUCTION OF PLAY BY POP CULTURE & ITS ARTEFACTS

- [HTTPS://YOUTU.BE/C9B5FPZXG_Q?SI=LExQBDsG0FR6-2I7](https://youtu.be/C9B5FPZXG_Q?si=LExQBDsG0FR6-2I7)



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