

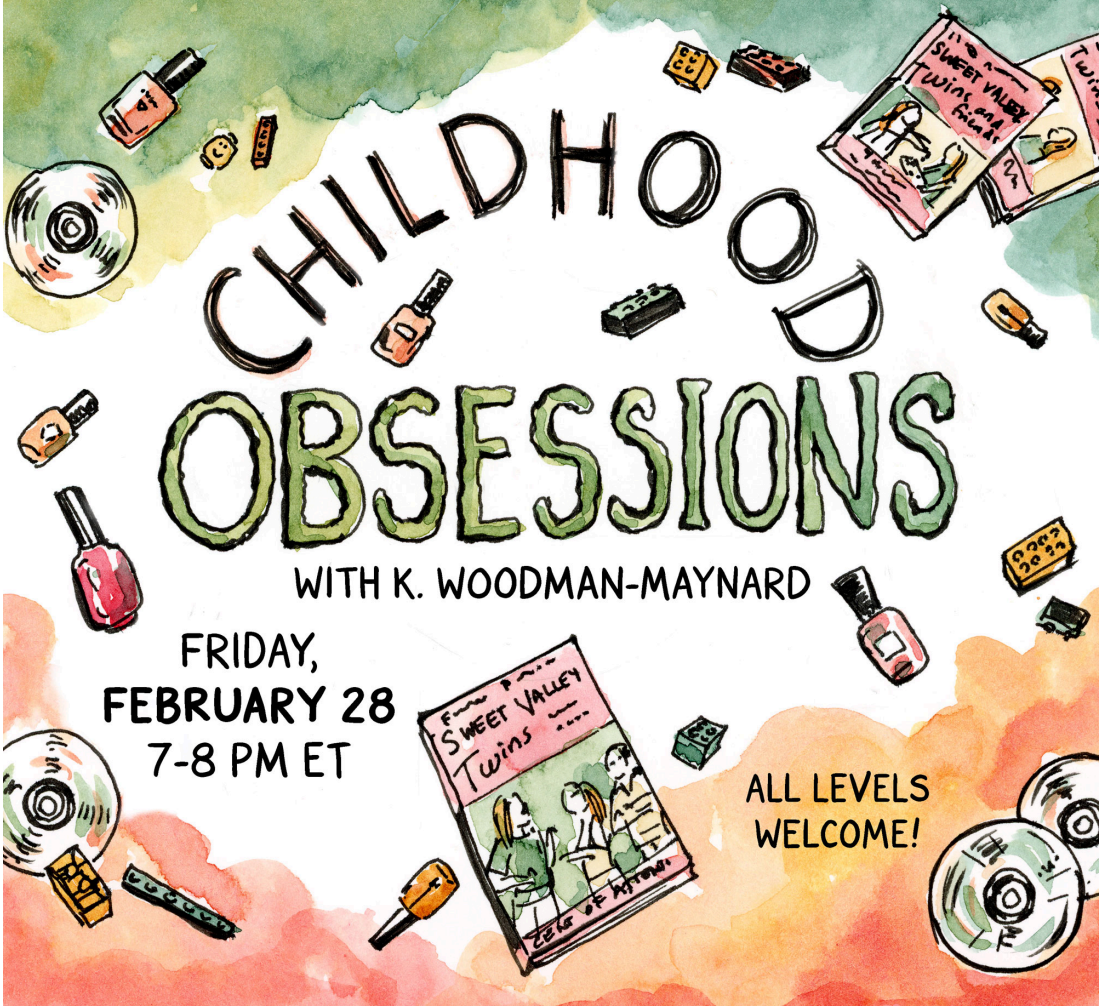
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CHILDHOOD OBSESSIONS

WITH K. WOODMAN-MAYNARD

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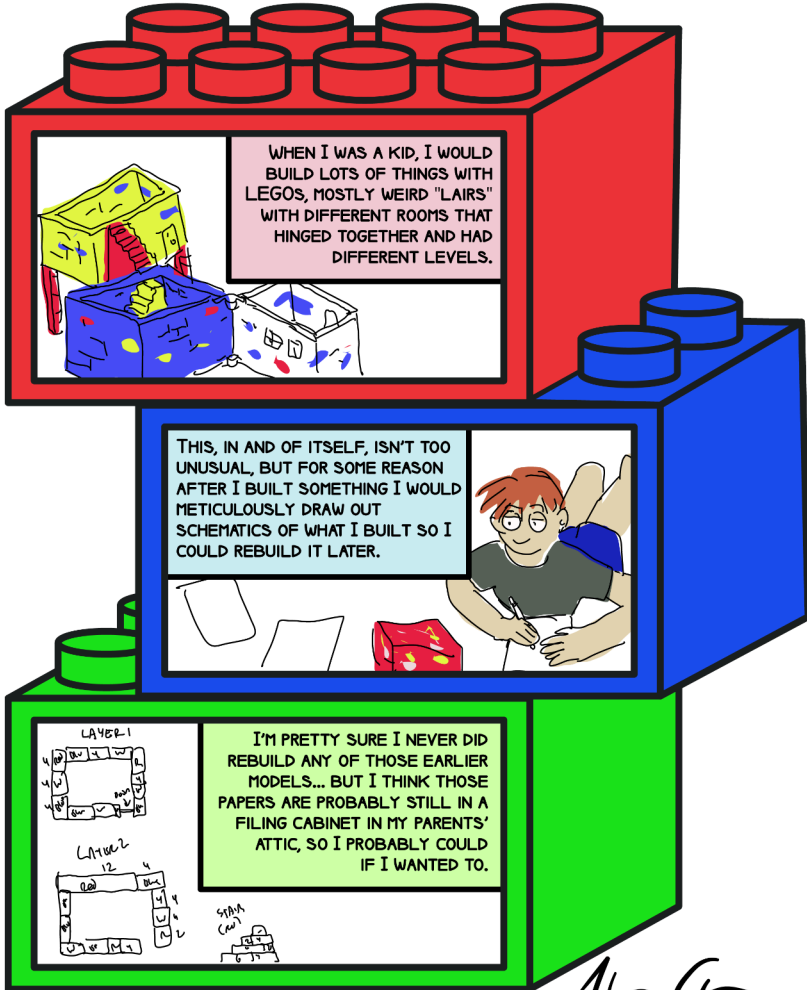
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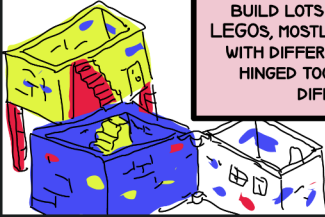
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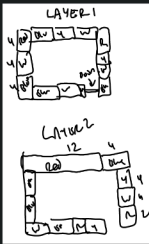
WHEN I WAS A KID, I WOULD BUILD LOTS OF THINGS WITH LEGOS, MOSTLY WEIRD "LAIRS" WITH DIFFERENT ROOMS THAT HINGED TOGETHER AND HAD DIFFERENT LEVELS.



THIS, IN AND OF ITSELF, ISN'T TOO UNUSUAL, BUT FOR SOME REASON AFTER I BUILT SOMETHING I WOULD METICULOUSLY DRAW OUT SCHEMATICS OF WHAT I BUILT SO I COULD REBUILD IT LATER.

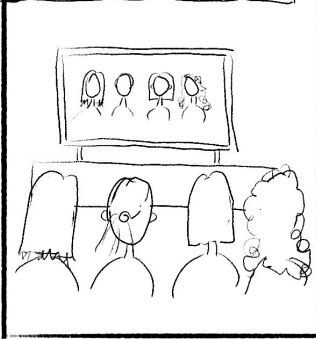


I'M PRETTY SURE I NEVER DID REBUILD ANY OF THOSE EARLIER MODELS... BUT I THINK THOSE PAPERS ARE PROBABLY STILL IN A FILING CABINET IN MY PARENTS' ATTIC, SO I PROBABLY COULD IF I WANTED TO.



The CW

When I was little,
my best friends and
I were obsessed with the
sisterhood of the
traveling pants



We even got our
own pair to share



← from Abercrombie +
Fitch



We had a journal
to write what
happened when we had
the pants

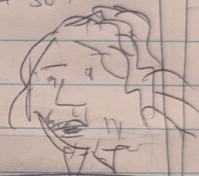
they really felt
like magic



I loved King Kong, the
primal energy atop the
two towers! Breaking
civilization into two!



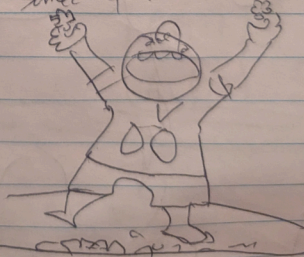
Chewing helicopters
snapping the trains!
squashing the cops
only Jeff Bridges knew
the truth! He's just
like you and me
except more so!



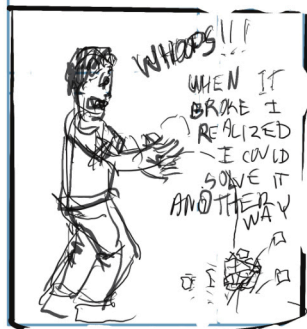
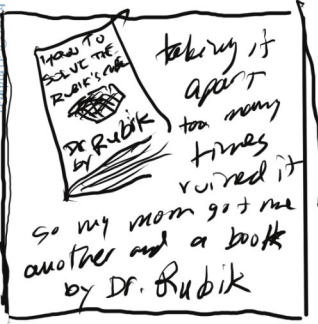
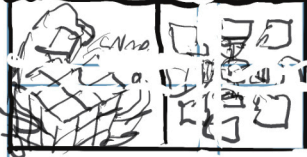
We all wish we
could be KONG! Free
like Kong, Alive like
Kong, Hauling like
Kong!!



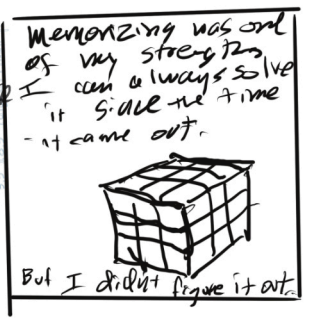
I'm 6 years old, putting
puzzle pieces of Kong together
A foot, a toe, a hairy
hand, and an arm but
someday I will haul!



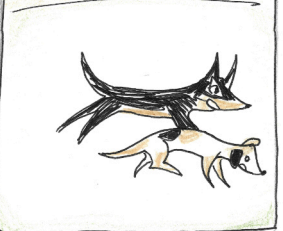
I loved King Kong! The primal energy atop
the two towers. Breaking civilization
into two! Chewing helicopters snapping



WHEN IT BROKE I REALIZED I COULD SOLVE IT ANOTHER WAY



When I was ten,
I was obsessed
with dog breeds.



None of that knowledge
remains.



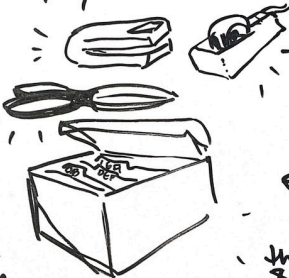




Recently, while reaching for a pencil, I suddenly remembered a childhood obsession...



... For office supplies!



Especially an index card filing box.

I loved flipping through the files & creating new one...

It triggered in me a new to organize things



My dad must have noticed because he would regularly give me items he didn't need anymore.



I cut pictures out of the TV Guide magazine of the main characters of a soap opera we watched called *Santa Barbara*.



	Name: Lois Smith
	Home: Santa Barbara
	Loves: Bob
	Notes: her sister's husband because he has a mustache

How to summon my magic powers so Trump's burger and Coke diet can do its job

If I refuse to blink



If I ask God pretty please

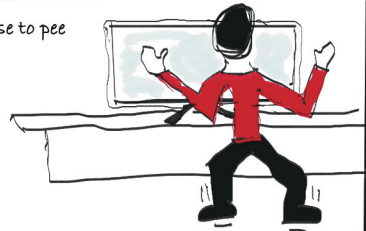


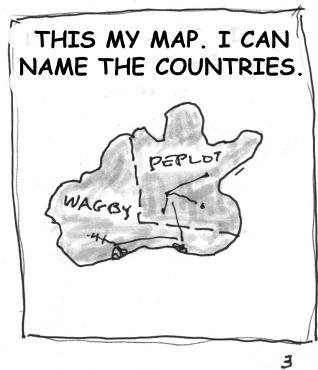
If I summon Extra Sensory Perception

Sssh!
I need focus!



If I refuse to pee





DAVID BELSON
CHILDHOOD OBSESSION

As a kid, one of
My favourite things
was drawing...



I drew on place mats, scraps
of paper and on the back
of my school quizzes before
handing them in.



Especially with my novelty
multi-coloured pen

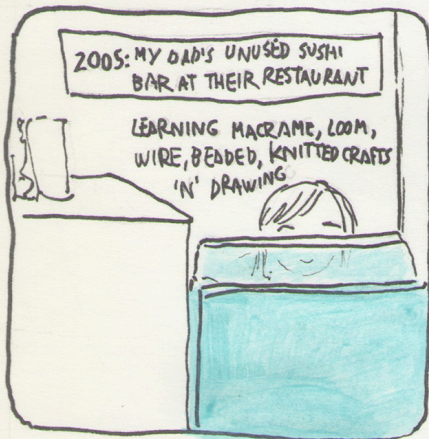
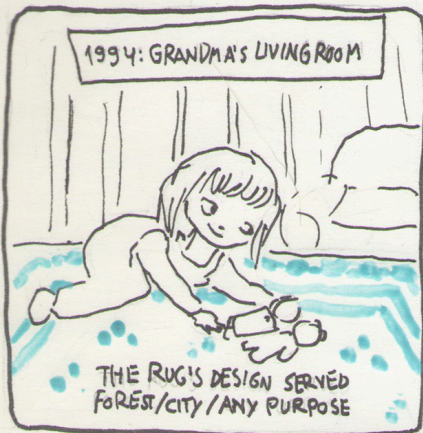
But I never kept them

... UNTIL my favourite Auntie
Gave me my first sketchbook
— And my life was changed!



OBSESSION NOOKS

A TRIBUTE TO
PLACES WHERE
I USED TO ENJOY
BEING CREATIVE



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CHILDHOOD OBSESSIONS:
PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS
FROM THE DETROIT
AUTO SHOW



WHEN I WAS YOUNG, I WAS DRAWN TO OLD FASHIONED COCA COLA MEMORABILIA.



IT MADE GIFTING FOR ME QUITE EASY. ANYTHING COKE-THEMED WAS FAIR GAME.



FROM CHILDHOOD TO MY TEEN YEARS, I AMASSED AN IMPRESSIVE COLLECTION.

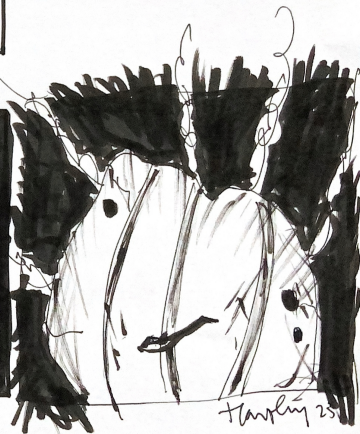
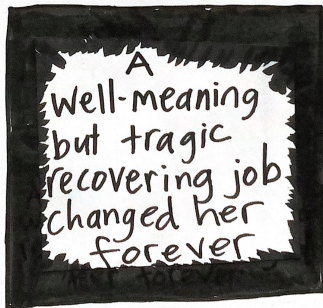
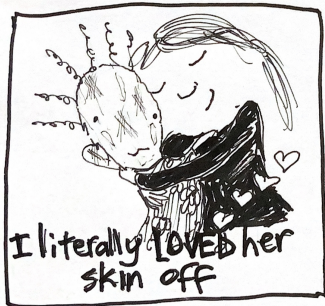


UNFORTUNATELY, THE OBSESSION HAD SUBSIDED LONG BEFORE WELL-MEANING GIFT GIVERS GOT THE MEMO.



CHILDHOOD OBSESSION

Margaret Hartley



I GUESS I'VE ALWAYS
BEEN A LITTLE BIT
BOY CRAZY.

BUT NOTHING BEFORE THEN OR SINCE
COMPARES TO THE TOTAL AND ALL-
CONSUMING ADORATION I FELT...

IN 7TH GRADE, I
HAD POSTERS OF GAVIN
ROSSDALE AND LEONARDO
DICAPRIO ON MY CEILING.

...FOR

ANGELINA

FRI NITE
COMICS
KRISTYN
28.2.25

POURING FEM
TOURISM
SIA
SISTER

MY MOM DROVE ME
ALL OVER OUR CITY
TO DIFFERENT VIDEO
STORES SO I COULD
WATCH HER ENTIRE
BODY OF WORK...

AS A BABY FEMINIST, BEING BOY-
CRAZY WAS REALLY SORT OF TABOO,
BUT ANGELINA REPRESENTED MORE
THAN THE AVERAGE CELEBRITY
CRUSH. DID I WANT TO BE WITH HER
OR DID I JUST WANT TO **BE HER?**

LEO AND GAVIN FELL BY THE
WAYSIDE TO MAKE SPACE FOR
WALL TO WALL ANGELINA.

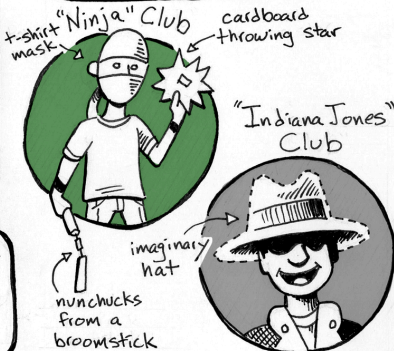
WILD, TUMULTUOUS, AGGRESSIVE,
TORMENTED, UNABASHEDLY SEXUAL
SHE WAS ALL OF THE THINGS I
COULDN'T BE, ALL OF THE THINGS
I FELT I HAD TO HIDE. I TOOK
THE SHAME AND OFFERED IT UP
TO HER. "A PRAYER FOR THE WILD
AT HEAVE KEPT IN CAGES."

My friends and I obsessively played in a graveyard for most of third grade.



The regular playground held little interest for us.

We created clubs, and we would meet in the graveyard on a regular basis.



We would jump from the graves,



Hide behind them...



Even roll between them while others pretended to shoot at us...

Oddly, I don't think it felt spooky to anyone.



I was conscious of the dead bodies below, but I always imagined they enjoyed us being there.



(Katharine)
FNC with K. Woodman-Maynard
"Childhood Obsessions"
On Substack

2/28/25
Nicole Kerner - Quiet places in NYC

Brainstorm List:
Harriet the Spy
Elton John albums

Stevie Nicks
Witches

Starkley & Hatch
baseball



As a child I was
obsessed with all witches,
including all of Ruth
Chew's book witches.



And of course
Samantha Stephens
of "Bewitched".
I practiced
twitching my
nose & hoped
that magical
powers would
soon develop.
they never
did.

"you can fly, swingin' from
your
scarin'
people...
never
me...
oooh
a
bella
danna



When I got a bit
older, Stevie
Nicks became
my favorite rock 'n' roll
witch

I wore a scarf all
senior year of high
school, but it was a
winter scarf because
I didn't have any other
kind.



It did NOT
make me
look
witchy.

@gailjoitw

"CHILDHOOD OBSESSIONS OF MINE"

AT THE AGE OF FOUR I WAS RECOGNIZED AS AN EXPERT IN FUNGUS AND MUSHROOMS WHICH I CALLED "MUT ROOMS".



AT THE AGE OF NINE THE MOTHER OF MY BEST FRIEND, ROD MARCUS, GAVE ME A COPY OF THE BEATLES' FIRST ALBUM (ON VEE-JAY RECORDS) "INTRODUCING THE BEATLES"

I BOUGHT A BEATLE WIG!

I BOUGHT BEATLE CARDS

I BOUGHT BEATLE DOLLS

WHAT DIDN'T I BUY THAT HAD TO DO WITH JOHN, PAUL, GEORGE AND RINGO?



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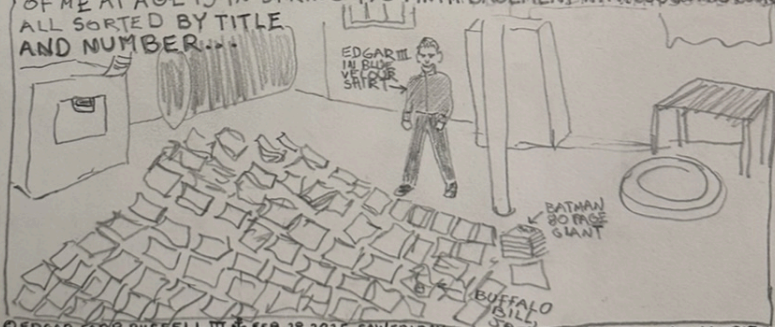


IT CULMINATED

IT CULMINATED IN ROD (PLAYING DRUMS), ME (PLAYING GUITAR), AND TWO OTHER BOYS ALL WEARING BEATLE WIGS, SINGING TWO BEATLES' SONGS FOR MISS LAUGHERY'S FOURTH GRADE CLASS! BUT THAT IS A WHOLE OTHER STORY WHICH, AMAZINGLY, GOES FROM 1964 TO 1988 TO TWO WEEKS AGO TO THIS EVENING... AND NEEDS ITS OWN PAGES!!

BUT MY FINAL CHILDHOOD OBSESSION HAD TO DO WITH **COMIC BOOKS**

I STARTED AT THE END OF THE 10¢ ERA, CONTINUED THROUGH THE 12¢ ERA, 15¢, 25¢ etc. I COLLECTED DC, MARVEL, CHARLTON, AGC TOWER, HARVEY, DELL, GOLD KEY, ARCHIE/RADIO, MIGHTY COMICS, WHAM-O, AND OTHERS. HERE BELOW IS MY DRAWING MADE FROM AN ACTUAL PHOTO OF ME AT AGE 13 IN SPRING 1967 IN MY BASEMENT WITH 500 COMIC BOOKS ALL SORTED BY TITLE AND NUMBER...





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