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What's good family,

Last week was fashion week here in Paris. An influx of brain-dead chic apparitions migrating around, congregating en masse at Chez Jeannette and Partisan Coffee—one can't help but be reminded of Walter Benjamin's collected materials on Fashion in convolute B of The Arcades Project, for instance:

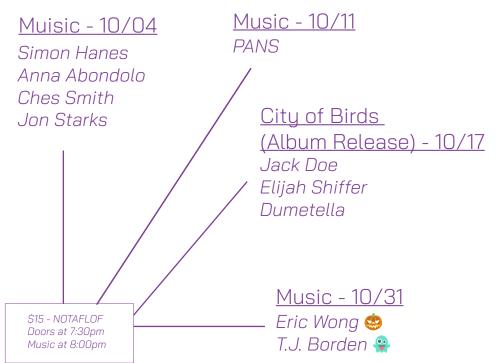
"Fashion was never anything other than the parody of the motley cadaver, provocation of death, and bitter colloquy with decay whispered between shrill bursts of mechanical laughter. That is fashion."

It's a hauntingly appropriate observation for this time of year. Fashion week bleeds almost seamlessly into the season of Halloween. The death-drive animates the desire to be seen, to stage oneself against decay, and to perform aliveness in the face of rot.

So come "be seen" at a CuteLab show this month, the only venue in NYC where you can rest assured that no one will be looking at you or your "haunt"-couture.

-M.A.

Arts & Leisure



Fashion Week

NAME: Jillian Olesen

AGE: 25

OCCUPATION: Trying to explain what Max/MSP is in as few words as possible

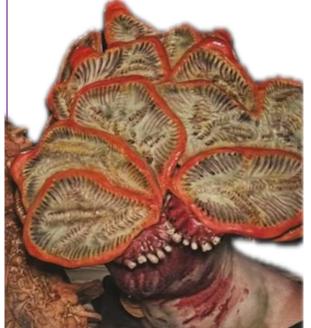
NEIGHBORHOOD: Bushwick

HOBBIES: Noise making, art making,

speaker-hoarding, etc.

Jillian rocks a Rick Owens white T-shirt and a Café Forgot arm cap, made by Café Forgot using ethically sourced human arms





NAME: Alex V AGE: 37

OCCUPATION: Composer and

Programmer

NEIGHBORHOOD: Park Slope **HOBBIES:** D&D, 3D printing,

miniature painting

Alex V. wears Maison Margiela double dentures, and a Junya Watanabe floral headband.