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CuteLab Monthly

with
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Recently, as a little treat to myself, I saw an osteopath. Apparently over the last decade, my right foot has amassed quite a bit of tension that thankfully has now been (somewhat) resolved. Yet ever since this visit, I can't really walk anywhere without thinking about what the initial cause of this tension might be. Every now and then, I'll try to step forward in varying and increasingly idiosyncratic ways, hoping to stumble upon something in my gait that I might be completely disregarding...

We can only hope that CuteLab's September happenings are as 'idiosyncratic' as the periodic placement of my right foot on the pavement. We have a jam-packed month to look forward to: a whopping four concerts including an all-cello Uptown Mainstream show on 09/05 and some funky fresh visual stimuli on 09/28 . What's that now? Do I also hear word of a picnic in the parc? Ask a punk and ye shall find out...

With warmth and idiosyncracy
-M.A.

Arts & Leisure

Music - 09/05

Ana Gamboa
Rocío Díaz de Cossío
T.J. Borden

Music - 09/14

Austin Wulliman
Levi Lu
Natacha Diels &
Charlotte Mundy &
Alex Sopp (Trio)

$15 - NOTAFLOF
Doors at 7:30pm
Music at 8:00pm

Music - 09/19

David Grollman
Brandon Lopez &
Sabrina Salamone
and more!

Music - 09/28

R. Luke Dubois
Permian Strata
Kastakila
Janie Jaffe
and more!

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Op-Ed

Thirty-Second Short Story by Sam Tarakajian

I considered my options. Beyond the large man and his five children, I could just see my favorite chocolate snack, nestled lovingly at the end of the aisle next to a platter of candied fruit. If I were more confident, I could walk up to the man and say something menacing like "Excuse me, could I get by?" Alternatively, I could will myself down to a two-dimensional plane and skirt behind him and his excessively numerous family. Finally, I decided on the simplest option. Furrowing my brow and pressing my ankles together, I passed myself through a Fourier transform and entered the frequency domain. Vibrating along the aisle, I finally reached my snack. But when I went to pick it up, I found that the snack and I were out of phase. Our waveforms met, and as our amplitudes crashed together, we dissolved together into emptiness.

Max's September Picks

Owning Manhattan *-- If you're like me, you regularly and willingly submit yourself to a sinister and masochistic form of entertainment known as real estate reality TV. Owning Manhattan is a particularly painful variation on this theme that's quite literally "too close to home." I watched the entire series this month while furiously making plots and figures for my masters thesis, and if I were to proverbially "plot" the cast of this show, I suppose I'd place these psychopaths in the null space.*

An Elephant Sitting Still *-- To detox from the Netflix garbage above, I plan to rewatch the four hour masterpiece known as 'An Elephant Sitting Still,' director Hu Bo's final film.*

Average Duration of Each Shot
Owning Manhattan - 3 seconds
An Elephant Sitting Still - 3 minutes

Equations Of The Month

$$\mathbb{Q}_p = \bigcup_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{p^i} \mathbb{Z}_p$$

Cardinality of the p-adic rational numbers

Random Shoutout Endnotes

*Shout out to **Regan Bowering** for filling in last minute at the August 31st show! Shout out to **Hemo's Spot** on 3rd ave and Union street for having the most hardcore smoothie selection in NYC.*