

FIRST-DEGREE BURNS

Vol.

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The search for fulfillment
You can travel to all corners
of the earth, searching for
fulfillment. You know it exists
and so* you go everywhere
looking for it. Until you realize
that it cannot be found in
any place, but within you. The
Search for fulfillment is
futile because you cannot find
it outside yourself. Yet it is
only through a long and
tiring search that you can
conceive the idea of looking
inside yourself. Then you realize
where life is. And you can be
fulfilled everywhere you go.
And life is then wonderful
and serene. - A Searcher from Brazil

Winning the Race

If I thought a moment
I could figure it out
But thinking is hard
and a moment is a long time

this city runs
on miracles!

WE BUILT THIS CITY ON MIR-~~A~~-CLES

I was told to expect anything and everything and although I
came here expecting just that, what I have experienced was and is more
than I ~~feeling~~ ^{feeling}. People stepped up to make what was almost a terrible
experience to a beautiful one. ~~Thank you~~ ^{Thank you} Harley Brown 

The most beautiful, loving, sharing
wonderful people in the world meet
here every year. If you haven't
been then you've never been
HOME!! Burning Man 2011!!

MAY EVERY BARBIE
DIE A GRUESOME
DEATH!

MORE HORRENDOUS-NESS!

I left a dying father to
come back for a few days
at HIS request (and words)
It's hard to join the play
this year. The Temple will
be way more real next year
but is the ghost of Christmas
Future today. I'm scared, sad
but relieved. I'm happy to
be back, but I'm not here yet.

Tom Gordon
- Reno

The Virgin Bunnies
from Lake Havasu City, AZ
"Sparkline"
Good times! ♥

I can't
really
write
With nice
my

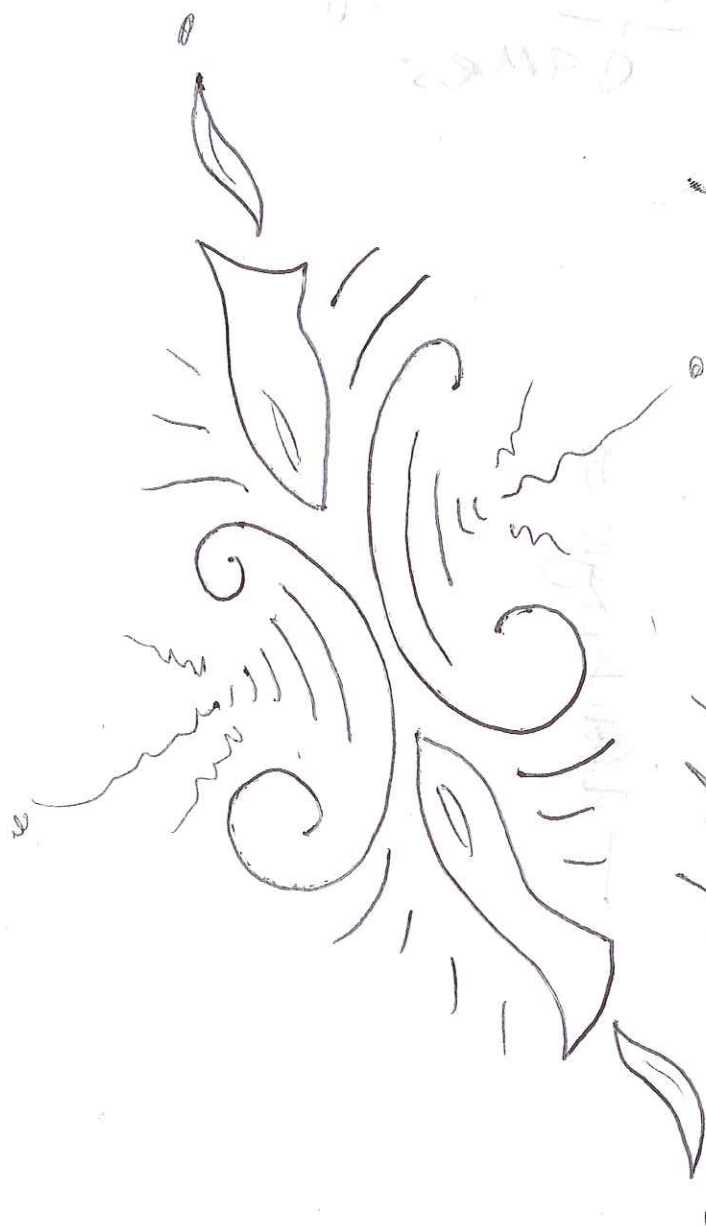
NEXT TIME TRY

THE  RIGHT HAND

PENIS

~~left~~
PENIS

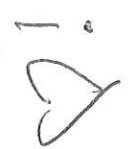
- - amazing, wonderful, unbelievable,
a most experience in life —•



Lady loam
from Off 70

So much more to learn
cried tears of joy @
the beauty last night
- James

I lost myself...
If you find me, please keep me here
until I get back...



and... I'll kick your ass
if I see you again

— ~~Anonymous~~ Anonymous

I love coming to burning open.
The experiences, the people, the art
the love, the expression... words
cannot do justice to this life
changing event! ① + ♥ + ②

My name is Mike but I am going by M. George
for now. It's your job to see you larger experiences
when they appear. You're going through
them and I love & the most
much love



I CANNOT BELIEVE I LIVED 23 YEARS WITHOUT THIS IN
MY LIFE, PLAYS IS HOME, PLAYS IS DREAM, PLAYS
IS EVERYTHING, IS NOTHING, ITS A PLACE I DON'T
WANT EVER TO LEAVE. THE MEN BURNS TONIGHT!

SICK..

PROBABLY FROM BARBIE DEATH CAMP
AND WINE BISTRO

Self censorship is my love

Happiness my wish.

Every body has something to offer.

AND YOU?

This is a wonderful episode in my life.
I wish my wife were here. She's not.

AND YOU?

You are beautiful!
never change,
This place is your
let go of life,
this has change
my perspective
greatly!

||
♡ Kitty Bunny ♡

has anyone seen Killroy?

He owes me a significant amount
of money.

¡Chupa mi panocha!



My heart won't stop exploding ♡ ♡
-emob: 88

There's No Place Like Home!

-Rosie

It's a thousand percent different
than you could Imagine

It shatters my entire universe!
-KDoll ♡

Hearing the details doesn't do burning
man justice. Everyone needs to experience
this emotional event for themselves!

♡ LOVE
CASS

"I looked one way + I almost
had a handful of inappropriateness
on The playa"

"My favorite"

As my mind conceives
My spirit believes
My hands create
and my reality responds

So, where have you been
ALL MY LIFE?!! — DARKNESS of's you

It's A Real City!

Neighborhood... ALL WE TRULY NEED!

Celebrate 11/11/11:11!

Except the dust

And the one that controls
the spice,
controls the universe

Ranger Tested...
Ranger Approved...
Beauty & Rat Bastard
Radio Electro 89.9 FM

"It only gets
bigger from here on at"


Wed-2011

"The harder you hit it the more it runs!"
Wed-2011

Big Money on Playa
2011

Make it happen
Anything can happen
if you burn man
Rose ~~is~~ ^{was}

We all ^{try} want to
learn
When all we have
to do is to
Remember

Breezy's Lovin the Playa!
BRC Virgin 2011 

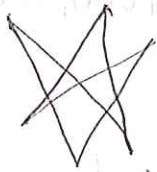
My favourite
time of day!

Do Kumbhini!
Have a spiritual orgasm!

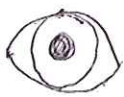
Angels are Real

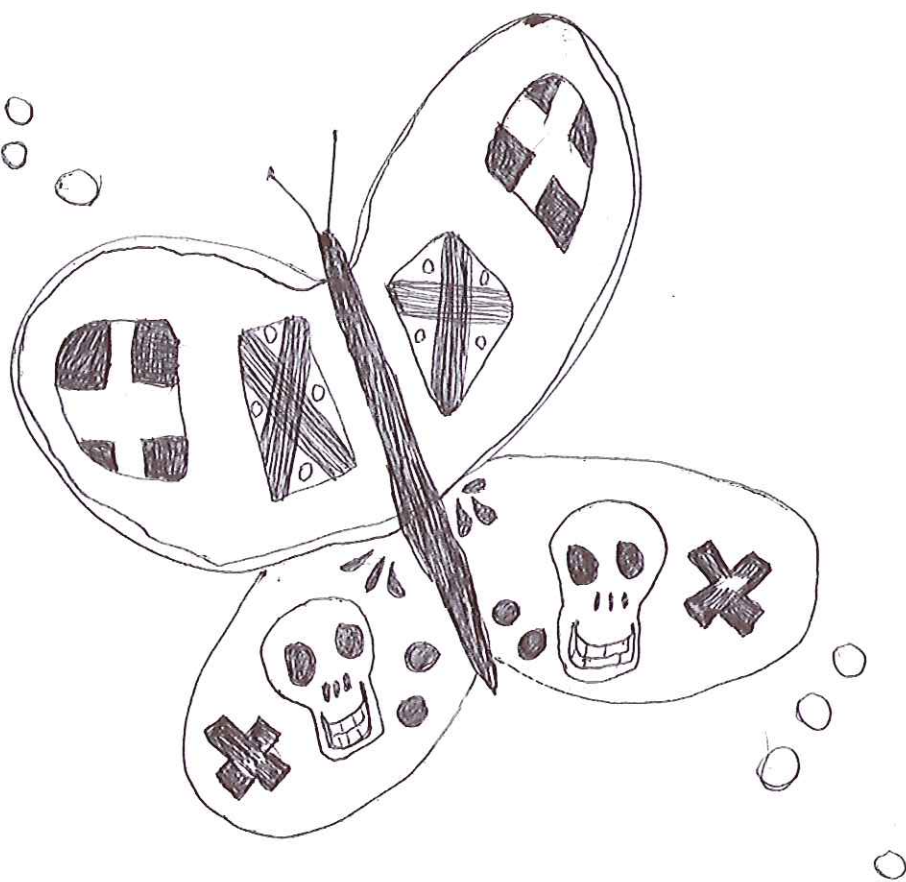
A WOMAN TOLD ME THE PLAYA HATES ME
BUT THE PLAYA LET ME FIND HOME.

I support myself. The universe blesses me
with great health and financial abundance.
I live in a beautiful place, a part of a wonderful
community. Peace and love prevail among my family.
I am happily married to a beautiful kind body of
a man. I sing freely and allow the goddess to
express herself through me. I now connect with
drummers, bassists and guitarists and play live shows.
I tour around Canada and the United States. My life is
love. I practice as a music therapist, therapist and
help/facilitate people release their creativity and
live present, clear, grounded lives.



Love is the law. Love under will.





you Bitches fucking Rock.
FAVE spot to hit on the playa
DOUG 'N SHAWNA - Here at your
camp every fucking day.

You have the gift, recognize it,
empower it. You are the movement.
Love, Me

Burner Virgin, now a citizen,
lots of love to everyone at 11:11

Peace and Be Free

-Beau

11:11!!!, Rockin MY DUST EVERY Morning
Thank you SO MUCH, I can't wait to
help out MORE NEXT YEAR, ...
I'll BE back for 2012 much
LOVE. • ZIS & F GYPSY MONKEYS
Chewbacalypse AKA

Rafael Lozano

My 9th burn - next year I'll get my 10 year
participation pin when I arrive at greeters - ha!
The easiest year ever - full of pleasantness -
ease all around - ALTHOUGH I had money stolen
the night of the burn from my tent and my
pack with my nighttime stuff taken out on the playa
as well + several people I know had their bikes taken.
There's a shift in the playa - more of a gap
between the old school guard (who seemed to be in
abundance over with us at 11:11 as exemplified by
Camp Walter of the giant VW bus, the Tuna Guys,
Camp Flattery, the amazing copper snail (front
pack + new dragon cars hanging out together)

and what seemed to be the rawley the
playa as spectacle + we are here to be
entertained crowd on the other side of the
city.

I worked at The post office + I'd guess
that a good $3/4$ of The people I served at
my window were either foreign ^{and} virgins.
People from all over: Russia, Brasil, South
Africa, France, Australia, Singapore -
stunning.

Heartbreaking beauty of the temple +
The Earth harp being played at sunset
with the moon rising in the background.

~~The~~

So much other utter loveliness.
Good will, open heartedness + a good jolter
lots of punning.

enduring memories of being served hot -
fresh out of the oven chocolate chip
cookies at the front porch while some
guys played old timey music + The LED

Lights of the playa blinked all around with
the deep earth resounding thumpety thump.

I saw a large blue beetle at the
temple + a goldfinch (!!) pecking at
the ground in camp under someones shade
structure.

Oh... my personal rite of passage - I
did ecstasy for the first time!

Thurs. night felt like burn night +
was crazy crazy 360° of surround sound +
blindsight energy.

Virgins a few rows behind me at the man
burn shouting "You're gonna die motherfucker,
burn the man," and someone
saying "Burn the man, my drugs are
wearing off."

Thank you everyone + good luck with
this book!

And so it begins. . . . Currently
every one is a little tired and
cranky and I'm feeling antisocial
so I figured that I would start this
off. Yesterday we came in and it took
us waaaay too long to put up the
structure and I got major head stroke
so I didn't start ^{this notebook} ~~it~~ on time. Yet even
through the irritation and personality
clashes the promise of BunningMan
is in the air and getting into every pore
along with the playa dust. I saw the
sun rise above the playa and I knew
that I was home and free and all
was beautiful. I saw the night with
lights and sounds and joy and I
knew I was surrounded by family.
so let us howl at the sunset and
let our souls begin a new adventure.

Kathy
(Pretentious Fox)

First Post!!!

- love,
The Internet (LOL)

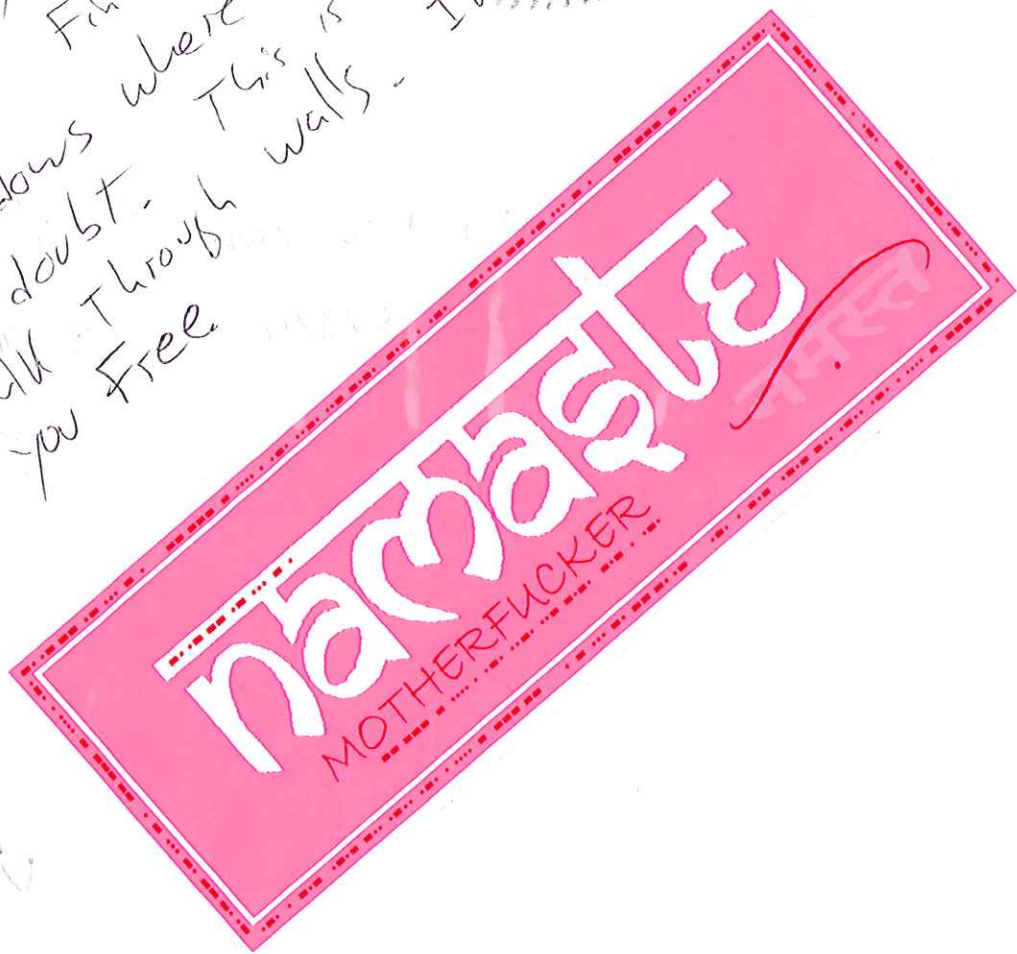
Burning Man and beyond make me
smile, ~~but~~ this is the first time with
the fr bros, and next year perhaps
the better together.

The secret about transitions
is that at some point
during your struggle,
you suddenly start becoming
aware that you're already
there. Love each other
love yourself, and give all
of yourself. The rest
is easy.

- Lil' Red

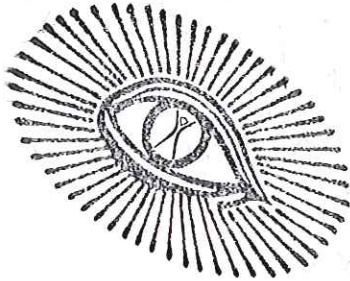
Thousands of years from now when the legacy of
mankind is evaluated, the remnants will
speak of destruction, sadness, and agony, and
the beauty, the essence will be lost among
the ruins of the corrupt devils who
run the memory into the ground. And
the universe will regret the angelic
experiment; ~~but~~ the earth will register
the process of creativity and the product of life.

Shake up the
BOTTLE of
a metaphor we find ourselves
sometimes in a state of stationary equilibrium
This elemental mind of constant equates
to a crazy finds oneself in a room without
where one finds we wisely want what we
doors or windows where this is the + a month time for
don't dare doubt. This is the essence of interaction
one to walk through walls. In essence, interaction
will set you free.



TODAY I SAW TWO DWARVES
ON MINATURE SEGWAY SCOOTERS,
TOTALLY NORMAL. TOTALLY BEAUTIFUL.

THE DUKE
2011



The best Beer you can find
here ☺ YOUR MUNICH FRIENDS !



Luke

From FLA TO BNC

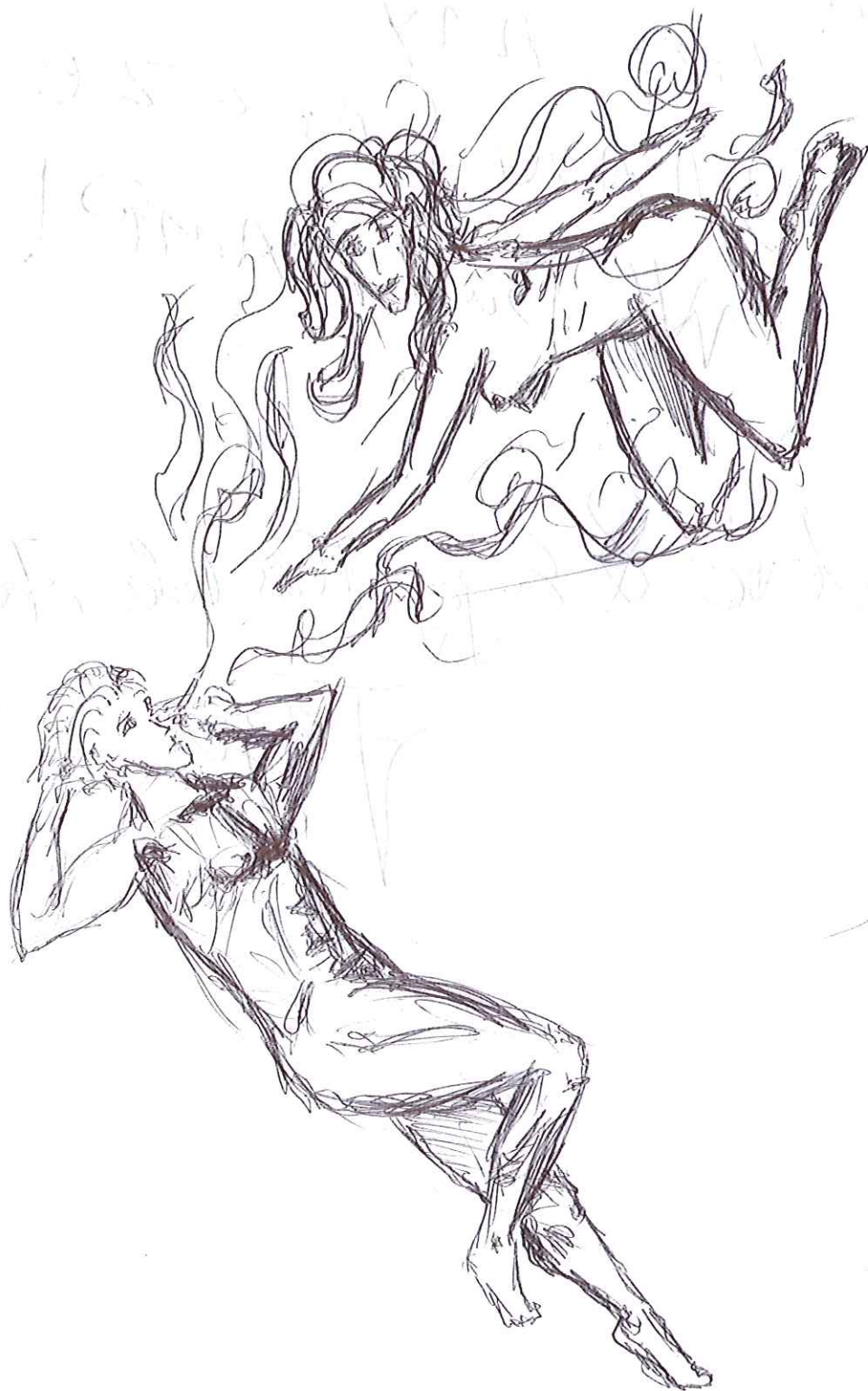
LOVE, RAY

BRAIN FREEZE!

W/ BUS CAMP!

Love & Enjoy this life, Today

Tazo



"If you experience The Truth, that's
The Truth; The same thing believed
is a lie. In Life, understanding is
the baby prize"

~ W.E.

"The one condition of unconditional
love is itself. The duality exists, but
the choice to love & be loved is
clear" ~ Tom Moki Gallagher

"So choose AGAIN. Choices in life
don't run out. Only your decisions
make you run out of choices."

~ Tom G.

And just enjoy yourself!



Sammy
rocks



Gemma
is a

Godless



The Playa.....

best playground

EVERRRRR!!! XX
The
Findes

A strange space port
of humanity. Wonderful, playful
and full of joy. I love it - speaks

Wherever you go,
there you are. -Walter

Lovely to be back in the playa.

Next year my gift to BM is to
make white out a thing of the
past. Me and one of my other

Mexican friends are bringing
leaf blowers to blow all the
dust off the playa! We just
need to decide where to start!

I think we should just start

in one corner and

go from there

Rexy Ramon

I'm staring at a blank page. It is no longer blank.

ТАААА

Here to forget, remember and burn, so grateful
for the people I've met and the people that
took me into their home. I don't even know
what home is anymore, but for 4 days
it was here. Galactique!

-Ilya

Second time to the bus... I contemplated
for a while... why am I going? Is it for
the party? is it for the art? is it for
being a part of something that doesn't exist
anywhere else in the world? amazing
music? bringing back great pictures and
exciting stories? having a good time with friends?
Now that I've seen the man come down for
the second time - I realize... it's none of that at
all, but the deep emotional change that is
triggered in you, and the deep connections that
you create with people. Whatever the means,
whatever it takes - drugs, or no drugs, heat,
cold, dust... ~~whatever~~ burning man ^{are} left
realizing out of your life and all you ~~are~~ left
with is what's inside, which is true and pure.

The conversations that you have are ones
that rarely happen in real life - there is
no time, there are too many 'real' problems to
worry about, ~~the~~ fear of being honest and vulnerable,
and more than anything, the preconceived notions
and opinions that you artificially form about people
around you.

But the key is - to remember those conversations
and that feeling of purity the next morning,
to keep the momentum going and to not let
that door close for as long as possible,
because burning man ~~happens~~ happens only once
a year, but the afterglow can last the other 358 days,
if you let it. ~~~~~ ♥ ~~~~~

First I spent almost a decade just wanting to come to BM. Then I was either too scared, too busy, or too broke.

Finally last year we decided, fuck it, it's crazy, difficult & expensive, but it's a once-in-a-lifetime experience, so we went.

It was really the night of the burn that I realized what a mistake we made. How can anyone handle doing this only once??

Once you feel it, see it, experience it, it becomes a way of life. A way to strive to live.

And since experiences like these are so rare in real life, and it's so easy to get jaded or caught up in the day-to-day, we need this to remind ourselves ~~of each other~~ that we're all family and are capable of achieving amazing, incredible things if we work together with love.

Thank you to my amazing friends for making all my dreams come true for the 2nd year in a row! I love you so much and I'm soooooo lucky to have you in my life!

-2011 01/17/11

Walls. I feel as though all the people in world
live within them. We build structures where we
feel safe, don't take risks, and don't let the
people we should in. Burning Man has no
walls. There are no windows, where you can
look in... you are simply part of the family.
You are who you are, you howl at the moon,
you worship humanity and the wonderment of
man. I look forward to coming home yearly.
I miss my family away from my family,
and the incredible potential they all
have. Open love, group hugs, enough affection
to make you feel as though your chest might burst
outwards radiating joy and warmth. I take
from here the intention to take down a few
walls each year. To appreciate the amazing
spirits within the homes, and to have the courage
to occasionally walk up to a door, ring the doorbell,
and to ask to be let in. Burning Man has taught
me how to love with complete abandon again.
and that life is incredible if you simply let
go...

Jessica aka, Thecca
2011

It's my first Burning Man and has been my wet dream for a number of years now. It has exceeded all my wildest expectations and thoughts/hopes.

I spent first few days in sheer amazement loving every second of it - from art to people I met, to spending time with friends, sharing with strangers, riding in Critical Tits, playing ping-pong, dancing and of course reflecting by the temple.

I am still overwhelmed, taken aback but ~~the~~ my take on this world has change dramatically post BURN. The clarity, care and understanding of the finality of this world has sank in.

BM is a microcosm of our bigger world: build up phase, love and care for humanity phase,

complacency and happy carelessness,
and finally its end - "apocalipsis" - the
bureu. Each world has to come
to an end - and so, everything
will end, and other will begin.
It will all be different and
it will all work out.

No longer a BM-VIRGIN,

Julia (aka Audrey

Hempden^u)

My second burn... Been going back and forth on my own feeling of homecoming and being treated like a non-virgin Burn pro. After a few days the personal definition of Burn virginity has settled in.

Virginity at the burn means that a person witnessing this apparent psychocircus has not yet had an opportunity to take home the experiences and emotions upon which significant self-reflection and 'change' propagation could have taken place.

For me, the ~~break~~ Burn separation lasted 3 years. In those three years, much has changed, and some of those underlying forces that drove the change can certainly trace their origins back to the 2008 Burn.

I'm not a virgin because I took something back to the other world to plant the seeds of personal change for the more caring, and for the more centered, and the more hopeful.

Burning Man is like fine wine much better after a few years of 'aging'.

Pasha Katsel
May 2011

I am here for the first time.
Had ~~hust~~ about it for 5 years, took me no time
to make my mind to finally come, since my
daughter tried it last year, and highly pushed it!
Just joking... she said you will love it, it's
a place for you.

I trust her..so I am here.
I am so overwhelmed! I came
from Russia 30 years ago, travelled the
world - there is no place like it!!!
Simple life style and Great minds.
Generouse hearts!!! You have me
for as long as I'll be able to come.
Looking forward to the next year of
fantastic art & sensitive people
surrounding. Wow !!! I hope
It will continue for a long time.
Lena, 2011 (From Chicago, IL.)

My second Burning man. Holy shit! What a wonderful place. It is a place of magic. A place where you can run into your friends in a random spot on a mesa. Coincidences happen all the time here. Burning man helps us see the good and the bad in humans. There is a connection between all the humans, a shared energy. This energy belongs apparent to everyone in Burning man. People are disconnected from the grid, stripped off the everyday thoughts and fears that keep us down. So much can be accomplished by people that are free. A lot of people take drugs to help them get to this 'free' state. Drugs or no drugs, lack of fear allows people to be who they really are. All of this disappears as quickly as it appears. This is also a wonderful illustration — everything ~~that is~~ material that ~~we~~ we create can quickly disappear so there is no need to try to hold on to it. Things that are inside of you, like love & friendships is what's important. Burning man is also a glimpse into the insanity of humans. Drugs allow you to suppress your mind but sometimes let the worst thing in ~~you~~ us come out — paranoia, jealousy, greed, anger, etc. For ~~very~~ many, burning man is just a huge party, without any spiritual meaning. Seeing these people at burning man messes with the energy of the place but it is also helpful to not let us forget that we come in on this world. Burning man ~~gives~~ gives us a glimpse of freedom and our small experiences.

Sergey 2011 (Chicago IL)

I wrote the first entry and I felt that I should write again. Everything is upside down and wonderful again. Our friends got to our camp in stages and we grew from seven to eighteen this week. I love all of these people. They piss me off, get in my face, argue, disagree, and don't let me push them around and I love them. Every year now a thought stays with me as I walk and fill the plaza - I'm amazed and humbled by the amount of thought, creativity, hard work and engineering genius that goes into everything that is here. I am humbled and full of appreciation. Yesterday the temple burned and there was a dust storm - I am so grateful. I realized that I don't tell people that I love, that I love them. I feel that most of the time they will just know - and that's not fair. I will try to bring back with me the openness which allowed me to tell them that I love them every day. I also realized that I can not change other people's opinions all the time and I should have more control over my negative reactions. The problem is with me - not them. I also experimented with saying "yes" to everything and participating more and it has been an amazing experience.

Finally, what brought me joy is bringing new people to BM and watching their experience. I love it here. I will come home in 51 weeks and counting the minutes.

Katy - "Katie" - The Katos - Feb

THIS IS MY FIRST TIME TOTALLY OVERWHELMED
BY IT AND DEFINITELY WANT TO COME BACK.
FELT LIKE BEING A KID, GOING TO DISNEY
LAND. MIND-BOGGLING EXPERIENCE THAT
MADE ME BELIEVE IN THE TRANSFORMING
POWER OF CREATIVITY AND WHACKINESS.
VERY GRATEFUL TO HAVE COME HERE.
WILL TRY AND CONTRIBUTE MUCH MORE
NEXT YEAR. BURNING MAN FOREVER!

YES, EUROPE

7 days, ~~no~~ extreme outfits, and no one called me a faggot
no one worried about getting kept a messages, no one worried
about their uniform their chains, I LOVE IT. you do spend
354 days thinking about my costumes, the dancing, the art, the sex
the friends, the MUSIC. and... the Love

The Love I still have lost
 in my body, I wish you were here w/ me
 Thank you Dono ~~August 1st 2011~~
 Monday Exodus 2011

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Thank God for John Craigie
He turned me around

