Bryn Mawr College

Scholarship, Research, and Creative Work at Bryn Mawr College

Women's History in the Digital World

Women's History in the Digital World 2013

Mar 23rd, 12:05 PM - 1:20 PM

DYKE, A Quarterly: Blogging an Online Annotated Archive

Liza Cowan Independent Scholar

Follow this and additional works at: https://repository.brynmawr.edu/greenfield_conference Let us know how access to this document benefits you.

Cowan, Liza, "DYKE, A Quarterly: Blogging an Online Annotated Archive" (2013). *Women's History in the Digital World*. 13. https://repository.brynmawr.edu/greenfield_conference/papers/saturday/13

This paper is posted at Scholarship, Research, and Creative Work at Bryn Mawr College. https://repository.brynmawr.edu/greenfield_conference/papers/saturday/13

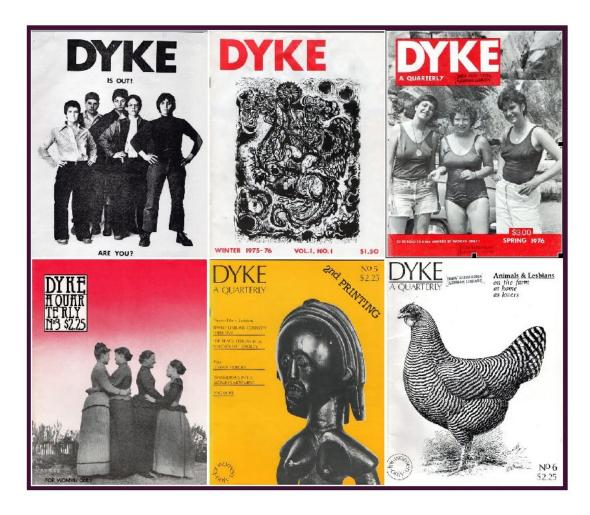
For more information, please contact repository@brynmawr.edu.

an annotated online archive of the issues, letters, ephemera, and some side trips

A MAGAZINE OF LESBIAN CULTURE AND ANALYSIS 1975 - 1979, TOMATO PUBLICATIONS, NYC

from print to an online digital archive

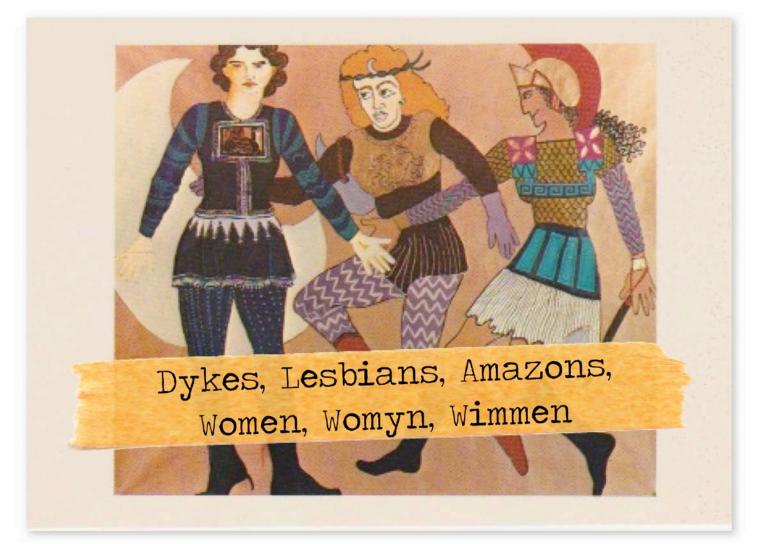
DYKE, A Quarterly Published in print from 1975-1979



Liza Cowan and Penny House publishers + editors



DYKE was for and about



DYKE, A Quarterly was



educational



beautiful

these same start start start start start	and all inter
» DYNE A Quarterly James No.3, pp. 45-47, Reviews Main DYNE A Quarterly, no.3, 1976, pp. 34-43, Alice Austen.»	Dubothcia.maier
April 15, 2012 DYKE A QUARTERLY Issue No. 3, 1976. pp	A SUPE TO WRITE TO UTER A DUARTIBLY ARCHIVE
44,45 Emotional Life Insurance	Adaptions where
	Centers
Contraction of the owner of the transformer of	GROUP: Chicago Humori's Graphics Collective
	GROUP: Inwa, City Women's Press
Transferrer Transferrer	Illustrations
	Damain AL
Supervised Street Street	Internet. et al
	lamo es
	Terrer 4.4
	Terrent #3
Construction of the section of the s	Terrers Ad
	LESIMAN BURNENS DIAM
Emotional Life Innurance Certificate	Press

entertaining

that then their their their their their the	So. 4 (the + res
GROUP: Iowa City Women's Press -	Childrentin in a comber
Online 16,200	
BYKE A Quarterly, No. 2. Correspondents-	A DESCRIPTION OF THE OWNER
lowa City	A OCARTERLY ABORD T
iona city	Adv. Investations
CORRESPONDENTS	Cantho
Management Constant of the	GRUCES Chicage Warmer's Amaginia Californian
First Statements Community of State	SROOM Invit Dis Numeria
INCOMPANY STREAMENT	2mm
the scheduler and shakes the	Illustrations.
while with Harponish-	Becom, etc.
withinity publication	income and
TATION OF A DURING A	Terrer 14
PROFESSION AND AND ADDRESS AND	france of
PROFESSION CONTRACTOR	James 12
Print & Branchester	LEMMAN BUILDING DIAMA
The A REVERT	Znue
- A Harry	Setters
· A store water	Mail TELELA Abril Balant
and the second sec	TOTAL About Sector
	PROFILE Also Denne
DEKE & Quarterly, No. 8, p. 86, Correspondence and ada	TOUTLE Rathers links
click on image to enlarge. Edited test in grey, below	PEOPLE Bullin Aven Maxim
We would like to have correspondents from communes and	FillE & Card Crosse
semimonities all ever the sountry. We would like to hear	Fill Full Charle Can
about what books Dylaw sw reading, what movies they are	PEOPLE Public Descholar
ming to, how they are printed their shifthan, how they are	PROPER Characteristics

community building

then more that that that that that t	Sec.4 a taken a pas	2
stroke A Samtha, mai, and ma parama Making A Sanaka I, Candi Tan Madi HU, Tan Making A Sanaka I, Candi Hu, Hu Maran J, annumak A, annu Barthana, ang A, Barthan T, annumak A, annu Barthana, ang A, Barthan T, annumak A, annu Maran Maran Marana Marana Canada Maranaa Marana Maranaa Marana Marana Marana Marana Marana Marana Mar	Contract Con	A If you chose "B" then DYKE magazin may be for you. DYKE! A new maga zine of Lesbian culture and pol- itics. Subscription \$8.00. Send check to Tomato Publications 70 Barrow St. New York, NY 10014.

"DYKE is more personally honest in print than most people are in conversation. DYKE has wit and intellect and guts." Gaia's Guide, 1977

Archived ephemera What is DYKE?

from No. 1, p.5, Introduction

WHAT IS DYKE

We want to publish a magazine that fulfills our need for analysis, communication and news of Lesbian culture. We believe that "Lesbian culture" presumes a separatist analysis. If Lesbian culture is intermixed with straight culture, it is no longer Lesbian; it is heterosexual, or heterosocial because energy and time are going to men. Lesbian community--Lesbian culture--means Lesbian only. DYKE is a magazine for Dykes only! We will speak freely among ourselves. We are not interested in telling the straight world what we are doing. In fact, we hope they never even see the magazine. It is none of their business. If they chance to see it, we hope they will think it is mindless gobbledeegook. We are already thinking in ways that are incomprehensible to them.

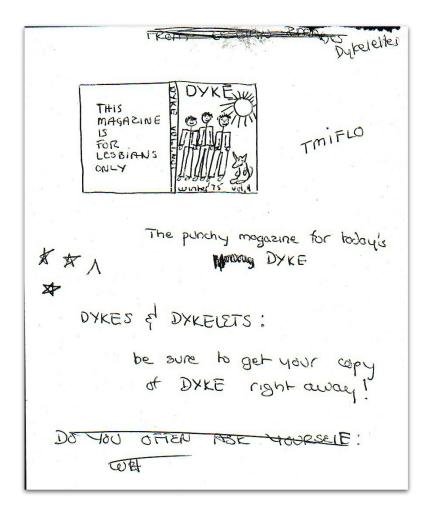
exerpt from press release: DYKE folds

WHY WE LOVE DYKE

We are proud of our work. It was innovative, readable, provocative and beautiful. The essays were highly personal, based on the feminist technique of consciousness raising. We chose and wrote articles that would give the reader a frame of reference: who was the author, how, did she come to her ideas, what was the relevance of the subject to her own life and to Lesbians in general. We believe that any subject can be relevant and interesting to



Archived ephemera: sketch for an idea



Archived ephemera: promotional filer

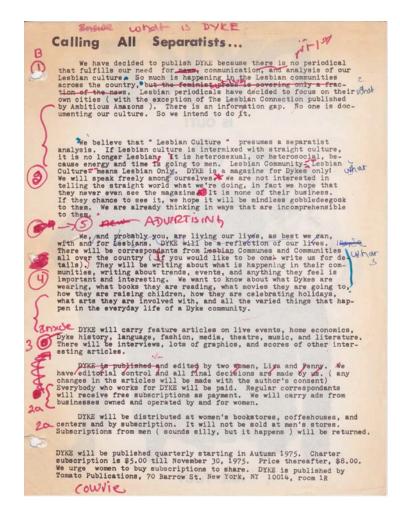


our first flier

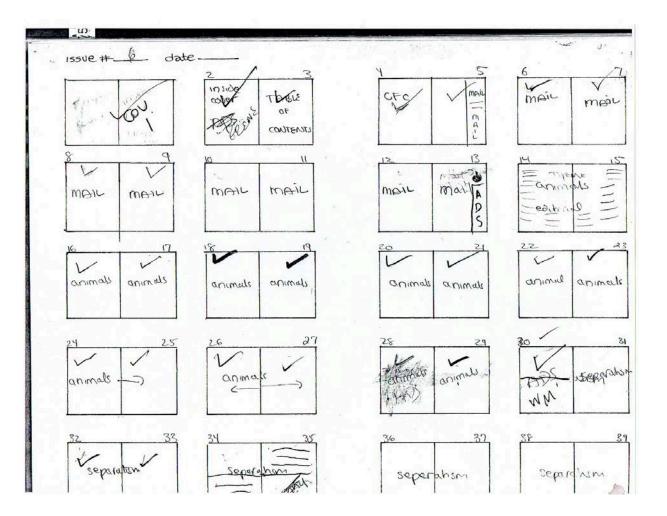
Archived ephemera: contact sheet from photo shoot



Archived ephemera: announcement flier/marked text

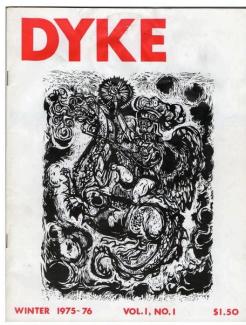


Archived ephemera: layout sheets for No. 6



DYKE No. 1 winter 1975

DYKE, A Quarterly: ISSUE No 1: Cover by Marlene Miller



DYKE, A Quarterly, Issue #1, Winter 1975-76. Illustration by Marlene Miller

You might also like:



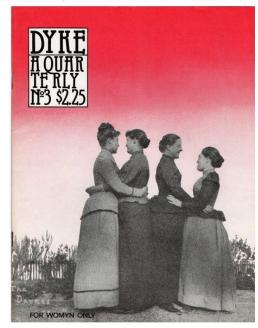
DAQ: screen shot cover of No. 1

DYKE No. 2 spring 1976



DYKE No. 3 Fall 1976

DYKE A Quarterly, No 3: Cover, Alice Austen



DAQ: screen shot cover for No. 3 photo by Alice Austen

DYKE A QUARTERLY ISSUE No.3, Photo on cover by Alice Austen. Design by Liza Cowan

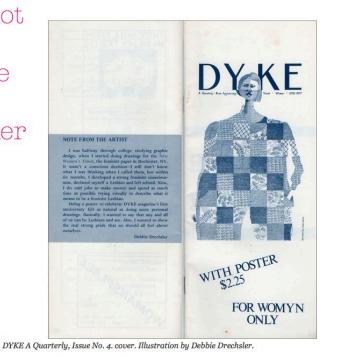
We probably first saw Alice Austen's photographs at an exhibition of her work at Richmond College in Staten Island, NY. Alice was a pioneer 19th Century photographer who was born and raised in Staten Island. By now everyone pretty much accepts <u>that she was a Lesbian</u>, or a woman who loved women. *DYKE A Quarterly* was the first periodical to write about her as such.

DYKE No. 4 Spring 1977

DYKE A Quarterly, No. 4, front and back covers

In issue No. 4 we broke form to publish a poster instead of a magazine. Along with the gorgeous 4-color poster, designed by Debbie Drechsler and printed by Tower Press, we sent a magazinelette, envelope sized, with letters and responses. Our readers were baffled.

DAQ: screen shot cover for No. 4 the poster issue drawing by Debbie Drechsler



TOPI

TOPI

TOPI

TOPI

TOPI TOPI

TOPIC VENU

VENU

WRII

DYKE,

face

Promot

RECE

amaz SIDE DYKE Assur

WHA

WILL SIDE

DRES WHA

DYKE

NOTE FROM THE ARTIST

DYKE No. 5 Fall 1977

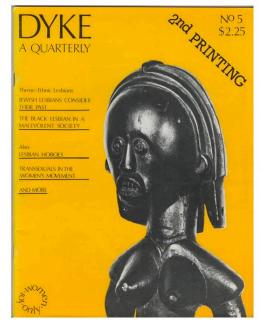
 IDPIC: fashion, TOPIC: women's presses and publications | Permalink | Comments (0) | TrackBack (0)

 Image: Tweet Q +1 < 0</td>

 Pinut
 Image: Tweet Q +1 < 0</td>

 Save to del.clo.us

DYKE, A Quarterly, No.5 Cover

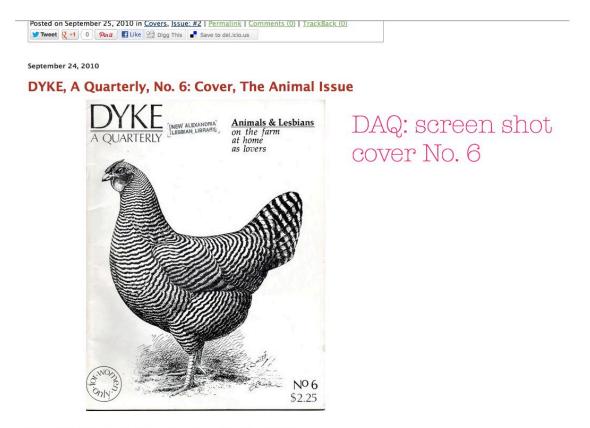


DAQ: screen shot cover No. 5

You might also like:



DYKE No. 6 summer 1978



DYKE No.6, Cover. Illustration from early 20th Century Farm Encyclopedia.

You might also like:



Archived ephemera: 1979 DYKE ends print publication

press release/ letter to subscribers



DYKE, A QUARTERLY, FOLDS

It is with a mixture of sadness, relief and anger that we announce the folding of DYXE, A Quarterly. When we conceived of DYXE four years ago we decided that we would give it a few years to become self supporting. We have been publishing now for three years and the magazine still does not support itself. Clearly, we lack a large enough audi-

ence.

Tomato Publications, Ltd. published six issues of DYKE, a magazine WHAT WAS DYKE, A QUARTERLY of essays, interviews, history, art and politics. Our first two issues featured among other articles, the highly controversial C.L.I.T. statements, a major Lesbian separatist analysis. Issue #3 presented a portfolio of Alice Austen, a Lesbian photographer from the turn of the century. Issue #4 was a beautiful four color poster by Debbie Dreshler which came along with a small magazinelette. Issue #5 featured essays about ethnic Lesbians, also a history of Lesbian hoboes during the depression, and an analysis of transsexuals in the women's movement. Issue #6 featured articles about Lesbians and animals, and a symposium on Lesbian separatism.

WHY WE LOVE DYKE

We are proud of our work. It was innovative, readable, provocative and beautiful. The essays were highly personal, based on the feminist technique of consciousness raising. We chose and wrote articles that would give the reader a frame of reference: who was the author, how did she come to her ideas, what was the relevance of the subject to

her own life and to Lesbians in general. We believe that any subject can be relevant and interesting to

PRESTON HOLLOW, NY 12469

/ by George F hed by Play-

St, Toronto,

It Plays: The

catre Review

versity, 4700

)N, M3J 1P3.

erlag of West

oems entitled

om Catalyst

. Scarborough.

atest anthology

y Karla Jay and

t in a bargain-

Trucx, a musi-

al life raid and

of patrons of

x, is now

Jove

shed a bilingual

petry). The book

now available in

lagner, who has

as edited two an-

Canada's Lost

They are avail-

available in script form for \$3.50 through the Nova Scotia Dramatist's Co-op, Box 3608, Halifax South Post Office, Halifax, NS, B3J 3K6. •Dyke, the American radical lesbian

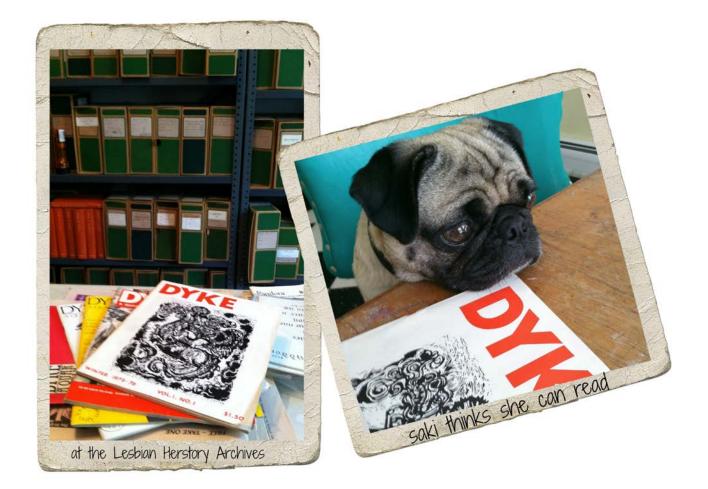


quarterly, has folded. The editors have offered an analysis of why the journal was unable to support itself: "We were never afraid to take risks, to take a controversial stand. Our title, which we thought was amusing, was to many aggressive, provocative and repellent. The mixture of radical lesbian separatist politics and slick graphics was too confusing for many women to take in. Our courage to voice the opinions that most women would only confess in the secrecy of their own living rooms was painful for many. Our passion for revealing our intimate thoughts was just too threatening. Each issue of the magazine lost money. Our demands were too high to publish poorly: we wanted the magazine to reflect the high opinion we have of lesbians and we wanted it to last years. We accepted advertising only from women-owned businesses, and since our circulation was so small, it was hardly worthwhile for the few women-owned businesses that exist to advertise with us. We were also committed to paying for all work - a costly commitment. The

Taking a stand

notice in Canadian gay publication The Body Politic

Until 2010 DYKE was available only in private collections, small libraries and some Lesbian's homes.



DYKE goes to the Library

DYKE A Quarterly issues at Musuem Of Modern Art Library



Issues + ephemera Schlesinger Library on the History of Women in America



online annotated archive debut September 2010



ohome osboutus oNo.l oNo.2 oNo.3 oNo.4 oNo.5 oNo.6

ABOUT DYKE, A Quarterly

DYKE, A Quarterly was created by Liza Cowan and Penny House. We had been best friends since we were four years old and had both recently come out as Lesbians. In 1975 we were in our mid twenties. Liza had moved to a farm in upstsate New York and Penny was living in New York City, where we had both grown up.

All over The United States Lesbians were getting together to make culture: music, literature, theater, art exhibits, film, poetry, and all kinds of media. We were right in the thick of it, enjoying every minute, and decided that making a magazine

Subscribe in a reader

o rss

CATEGORIES

oside

trips

A: HOW TO WRITE TO DYKE A QUARTERLY ARCHIVE

Ads: from others

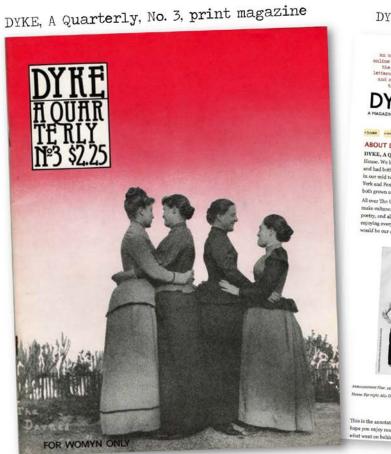
Covers

<u>GROUP: Chicago Women's</u> <u>Graphics Collective</u>

GROUP: Iowa City Women's Press

illustrations

From paper to pixels



DYKE, A Quarterly Online Annotated Archive



DYKE, A Quarterly was created by Liza Cowan and Penny House. We had been best friends since we were four years old and had both recently ement on an abeliann. In 1970 we were in our mid twenties, Liza had moved to a farm in upstante New York and Penny was living in New York City, where we had Ad over The United States 1 - ables.

All over The United States Lesbians were gotting logether to make calture: music, literature, theater, art exhibits, film, poetry, and all kinds of media. We were right in the thick of it, enjoying every minute, and decided that making a magazine would be our contribution.



Announcement Plan. 1876. Second from Lyb, Llau Counce. Second from right, P House. Far right, Alix Doblin. Photo by Michelle. Design by Lisa Couum

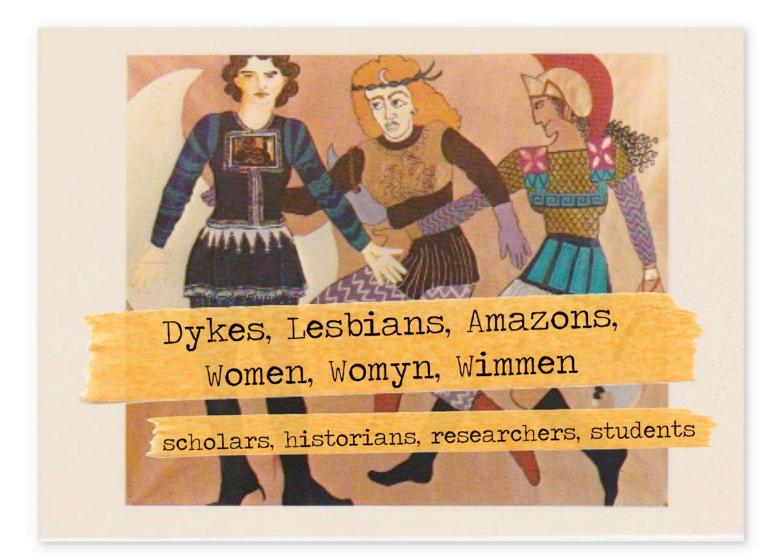
This is the annotated archive of the magazine we created. We hope you enjoy reading the issues and taking a peck at some of what went on behind the pages: the sketches, ideas, layout Subscribe in a reader SATE CONTES AUTOVIOUNTETO DYNE AUTOVIOUNTETO DYNE AUTOVIOUNTETO DYNE AUTOVIOUNTETO DYNE AUTOVIOUNTETO DYNE GROUPE Contesting GROUPE Contesting GROUPE Contesting GROUPE Contesting

Illustrations



PEOPLE Robit Ann Menor PEOPLE Robit Ann Menor PEOPLE Conferences Roberts Linker Conference Roberts Linker Menor Roberts Linker DAQ: screen shot of archive as blog

DYKE online archive is for



Archiving with new technologies



to this



Digital archive as blog

Subscribe in a reader

A: HOW TO WRITE TO DYKE

A OUARTERLY ARCHIVE

GROUP: Chicago Women's Graphics Collective

GROUP: Iowa City Women's

CATEGORIES

Ads: from others

Covers

Press

illustrations

Issue: #1

Issue: #2

an annotated online archive of the issues, letters, ephemera, and some side trips DYKE, A MAGAZINE OF LESBIAN CULTURE AND ANALYSIS 1975 - 1979

ohome oscoutus o No. 1 o No. 2 o No. 3 o No. 4 o No. 5 o No. 6 o side o res

ABOUT DYKE, A Quarterly

DYKE, A Quarterly was created by Liza Cowan and Penny House. We had been best friends since we were four years old and had both recently come out as Lesbians. In 1975 we were in our mid twenties. Liza had moved to a farm in upstsate New York and Penny was living in New York City, where we had both grown up.

All over The United States Lesbians were getting together to make culture: music, literature, theater, art exhibits, film, poetry, and all kinds of media. We were right in the thick of it, enjoying every minute, and decided that making a magazine would be our contribution.



Announcement Flier. 1976. Second from Left, LIza Cowan. Second from right, Penny House. Far right, Alix Dobkin. Photo by Michelle. Design by Liza Cowar

This is the annotated archive of the magazine we created. We hope you enjoy reading the issues and taking a peek at some of what went on behind the pages: the sketches, ideas, layout

DAQ: screen shot of archive as blog

Issue: #3 Issue: #4 Issue: #5 Issue: #6 LESBIAN BUSINESS: Diana Press Letters Mail PEOPLE: Afeni Shakur **PEOPLE:** Alice Austen PEOPLE: Alix Dobkin PEOPLE: Barbara Grier PEOPLE: Bobbi Ann Mason PEOPLE: Carol Crooks PEOPLE: Cherrie Cox PEOPLE: Debbie Drechsler

PEOPLE: Elana Dykewomon PEOPLE: Irene Young PEOPLE: Jacqueline St. Joan PEOPLE: Janet Meyers PEOPLE: Judy Grahan PEOPLE: Linda Shear PEOPLE: Liza Cowan PEOPLE: Louise Fishman PEOPLE: Maggie Jochild

PEOPLE: Margaret Anderson PEOPLE: Margo Hobbs Thompson

Elements of the online archive

<text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text>

enlargeable scans of original pages

searchable text + hyperlinks



ephemera



annotation

DAQ: screen shot

commentary on

the magazine

article in

the best.

The following is commentary by Lisa Cowan written for this archive in 2011

Thirty five years later, I'm amazed by how much has changed yet so much has stayed the same.

Clothing

When I write these enarys in the sid reverties. I didn't have the vocabilary to write entrumi theory shout clothing. I show't been to college yet, have here than that, cultural studies didn't really enter the seadewy until the late sevenits. The idea of reading clothing as text we havely developed, and an interest is clothing use considered femiline i.e. develow. It's no wonder that ary theory was ministaneously culturestry and colleapons and I inderived that examining culturing in context of paver was a worthy endevor. We believed the femiliat creation the personal is political. Our readers, for the most part, found our interest in clothing specificial.

> Diss. Die Halt in Leve Ellinse, Rong Tylense of Labor Robinson 1981

side trips



reader comments

	Listed below are links to weblogs that reference DYKE A Quarterly, no. 5. Fall, 1977. Back Cover:	ERON BETW AND I
27.22	Comments	DYKE Separ
DAQ:	9 You can follow this conversation by subscribing to the	Parto
reader commer	comment feed for this post.	SIDE ' Revol
	How amazing to click on a link to this site that a Minneapolis friend posted on facebook and find a beautiful photo of the	by My
	first logo (on a T-shirt) I did for 'A Woman's Coffeehouse' in	1
	Minneapolis! So many decades ago and in a NY publication. What a blast (not to mention blast from the past). The first	-
	design I submitted to the coffechouse collective had short	LINK
	hair and they had me give her more hair so she wouldn't look too butch! Thanks for posting this archive. I look forward to perusing it more and remembering those times. What an interesting era it was to come of age!	Garoly Alice. HOT V Wome
	Posted by: Jymme Golden May 14, 2012 at 03:52 PM	Lesbis
	Amazing! I'm so happy that you found the site and that you wrote. I've always loved that t-shirt. The graphic is lovely.	NYC Old Ls Chang
	Funny about the hair. I like it though. Is this the first time	ELAN

Access to tools: blogging and image production



blogging platform: typepad



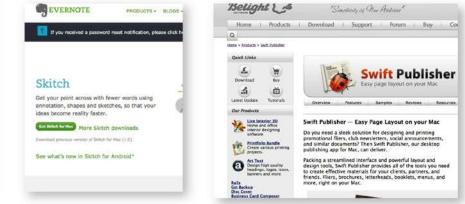
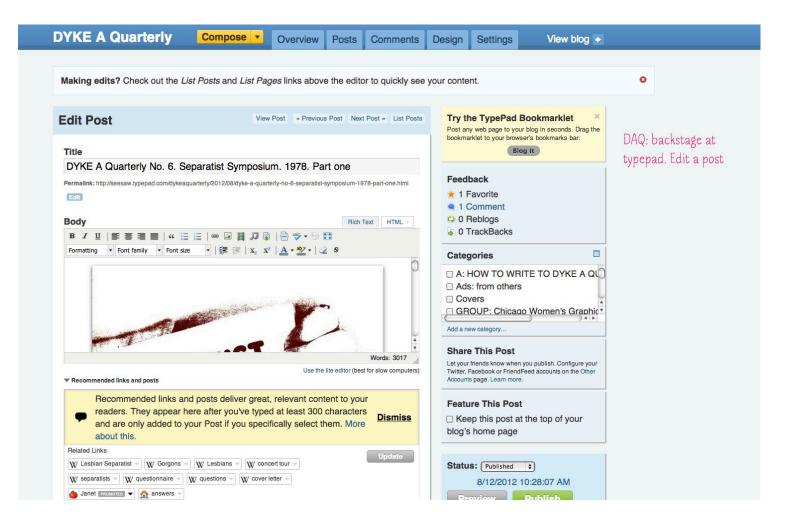


image + design: picmonkey

screen capture: skitch/ Evernote

design: swift publisher

Blogging DAQ at Typepad.com



DAQ stats are useful

home			lyke a quarterly	
general	Ba		by Deferrel Secret Words	
Summary	Ke		s by Referral Search Words	
Who's On?		Search		
Traffic Prediction	Detail	Words	Referring Web Site	
recent visitors		worus		
By Details	1		google.com	
By Referrals	2		thesexualrevolution.wordpress.com	
By Search Words	2			
By World Map			epochalips.com	
By Location		dykes in		
By Out Clicks	4	prison	search.incredibar.com	
By Entry Pages		women		
By Exit Pages	E			
visits	5 6 7			
Current Day	6		https:	
Previous 7 Days	7		smashesthep.wordpress.com	
Previous 30 Days		historical		
Previous 12 Months		the second s		
visits and page views	8	lesbian	google.com	
Current Day		photography		
Previous 7 Days		lesbian slide		
Previous 30 Days Previous 12 Months		show	isearch.avg.com	
moving average		011011		
Visits	10			
Last 7 days	11	lesbiana film	google.com	
Last 30 days	12			
Page Views			https://	
Last 7 days	13		https:	
Last 30 days	14		thesexualrevolution.wordpress.com	
referral ranking	15		thesexualrevolution.wordpress.com	
web pages ranked by		and a second second	anoockaan ovolation. worapi ess.com	
Visits		marlene		
Page Views		<u>miller,</u>		
Visit Length	16	equine,	google.com	
web sites ranked by		winter		
Visits		quarter farm		
Page Views	_	quarter lann		
Visit Length	17			
search engines ranked by	18		google.com.ng	
Visits Bage Views	19		facebook.com	
Page Views Visit Length				
search words ranked by	20			

Access to tools: Social Media





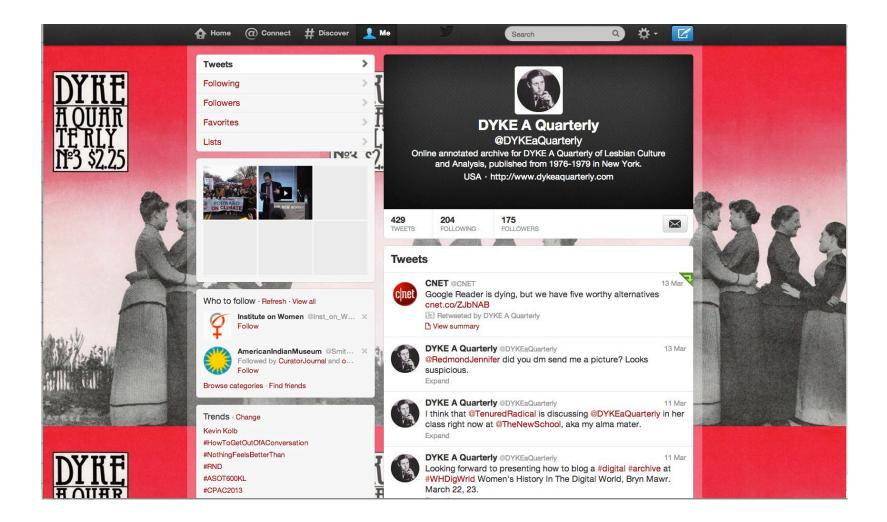
Pinterest



Twitter

Pinterest (as Small Equals)

DAQ tweets



DAQ on Facebook



Transcribing: there must be a better way

