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Small Talk: Who are we?

Small Talk is simply that, a zine dedicated to getting to the point.

We feature writers, poets and everything in between all for the promotion and from the inspiration of YOU.

Need we say more?

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From the Editor:

Welcome Tribe!

Who knew if you wanted to have your own magazine that you just had to create it?

It's funny how we put our dreams in the hands of people we find unattainable. My journey from a thought to completion has been full of a lot of doubt and stress, but in the midst of a pandemic, I'm trying to use my time effectively with Girtellme.com, and now, [Small Talk](http://SmallTalk.com).

[Small Talk](http://SmallTalk.com)'s intention is to highlight some of the favorite writers and poets from Girtellme.com, sprinkled with some funny and inspirational vibes. All for the intention of bringing people together and inspiration towards the completion of achieving your damn goals; yeah I said it.

So MOVE OVER Anna Wintour, there's a new bitch in town and she comin' with good vibes and healthy tribes!



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Regular Degular Horoscopes August

Aries

Take a moment to breathe and cool off the fiery vibes. People will come around you more once you relax and let the universe do what she do. OKCUR!

Taurus

Stop self sabotaging already! Girl, we're tired of hearing about that toxic ex as much as you're of tired talking about him; pick up golf or hell, a book.

Gemini

Quarantine has been hard Gemini, we know. I don't have to look far to see your pockets have been hit the most; take it easy on the Etsy this month and invest in you.

Cancer

Follow your intuition. Now, before you start to plot your revenge on whatever is going on, take this time to plan the shit out so you don't get caught!

Leo

If you don't go to the damn DMV already and renew your license. That's all the universe has to say to you!

Virgo

Quit telling people you want to lose 5 pounds; its been 4 years. Come to terms with your own goals; eating.

Libra

You are too codependent on The Housewives, Theresa, Bethenny and Vicki are not going to help you. They just as lost, but with bigger pockets

Scorpio

You nasty.

Sagittarius

If we hear ONE MORE TIME YOU WANT TO TRAVEL; girl, travel all you want, just make sure to keep your ass home 14 days after.

Capricorn

You are beautiful, kind, perfect and have nothing to ever fear for YOU are the shit...

*Please note: The author/ editor is biased.

Aquarius

Retrograde is in a rising something which means you are going to be even more cranky after next week. Go take a nap and dream that mood out.

Pisces

You can be so closed off sometimes; be open. The moon in Venus is doing some shit. Try a new food, hairstyle or even some samples at Costco.

A Story.

Does that sounds okay? Is that the right word?

I love this, I am the next Roald Dahl.

I hate this, I'm such a fake.

I really want an agent.

Those 5 statements are usually the process of me writing every day. I went to school to be a special education teacher, but 3 years ago at a writing workshop, I found my life for the written word again. When I started writing again, I was almost in a sense of euphoria that my words were flowing and that I was actually writing a novel. Now, 2 years later, I am currently sending out my first novel in hopes of getting an agent and have already got 5 denials. Sometimes, I honestly want to pull my hair out and throw my laptop out the window. I also struggle with the fact that there are way more talented people out there than me. But I know I can't stop. The sleepless nights, voices in my head at times, and pulling off the side of the road to write make this all worth it.

People always ask me, "How do you come up with ideas?" With more than 3 stories swimming around in my head at all times, I can't pinpoint one thing in particular. I've read that the author of Twilight, Stephanie Meyer, came up with the sparkling vampires in a dream. Like most writers, I deal with insomnia and the fact that something could come from a dream, frankly, doesn't work for me. However, my first novel idea came from listening to my teen parent clients and their issues with growing up with a baby and issues at home lead me to a young adult story.



With these Corona crazy times, I have learned that now more than ever, the world needs each of our stories. Even when flipping through Netflix, you can see documentaries of worlds that most of us aren't in. This weekend, I noticed that there are is a documentary about transgender people in film, a non-binary fortune teller named Walter Mercado who made strides for Latin communities all over the world, and white people pulling pranks in an office. All of them provide a much-needed escape, sometimes laughter, and proof that we all have something to say. I am going to keep writing stories that provide insight to people who have mental illness since I do, too in hopes that someone will 'get it' and feel less alone. Writing feels like a tug and nearly an obligation, that these voices demand to be heard until the very last word. My words may be too much for some people, but in the long run, they don't matter.

I know I need to keep writing these beautiful characters and pray for them to keep whispering me tidbits into their souls.

Finger Snap Series Presents... A Poem.



Do you ever feel silenced by the
world around you?
When you're in a crowded room,
and everyone makes you feel
so small,
so lonely.

Like a piece of trash.
When you're wishing on a star but
nothing comes of it,
or you're about to cross the finish
line but someone does it first.
They so quickly take away
your glory,
your moment,
your chance
to finally rise up from this pebble
you call a life.
Someone pushed you in the deep
end.
You drowned,
but
never
came
back
up.

The world may never know that
feeling of defeat,
but it still *lingers* with me.



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Sh*t
Go.



MOTTO
OF THE
MONTH.

Let Shit GO.

Now, let this be as you look at your phone debating if you should text that toxic ex. YES! The sex was good, but was anything else? People don't change and if you are not together it was for a reason. So put your phone down and read a book, take a shower, or start an etsy shop for socks; I don't care. Just find new ways to thrive, instead of wasting energy that deprives.

Girl, Bye!

Honest Advice; Drama included.

I'm having issues with my boyfriend's child's mother. She's said some things that make me uncomfortable about my boyfriend and I'm starting to hate her. What do I do?

Setting *healthy* **BOUNDARIES**

Hey Girl,

So, realistically his child's mother is waiting for you to leave and her life to go back to normal; remember she has no loyalty to you. The level of comfort she has around you says her level of respect for you and your relationship with her man (in her mind). Be sure to establish healthy boundaries, but also talk to your man about instilling those similar values and respect for the relationship. If you want this to change, it will happen from him. Understand her intentions and step back; it has nothing to do with you. Protect your energy queen.

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A round of applause to the beautiful, inspirational women who helped inspire, motivate and come together for the first Small Talk's debut!



Cydney Brown is the author of "Daydreaming". Daydreaming is a collection of poems that are split into 4 categories "Coexisting with the world", "Thinking about you", "Uplifting my Blackness", and "The thoughts floating in my head". This book goes on a journey of self-reflection, and explores where you go while "Daydreaming". She is a Junior at Abington Friends School and has been writing poetry since the 5th grade. She is the clerk of Poetry Club and co-clerk of LitMag. Cydney was the spotlight performer at The Beyond the Seams open mic and loves to perform spoken word poetry. When she is not writing poetry, she is working on her business @the.noble.collective, baking/cooking in the kitchen, playing tennis, or posting on her poetry account @cydtalks. Cydney wishes to inspire people to be grateful for life. For more information, go on <https://cyderella8.wixsite.com/cydtalks>. To buy her E-book go on <https://payhip.com/b/h4vs>

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