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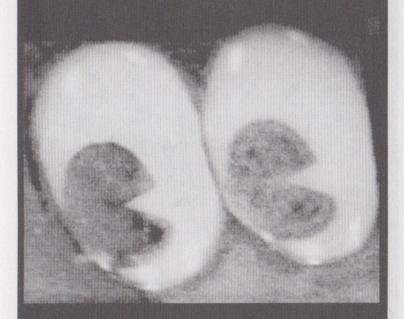
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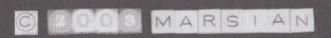
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FINNOCHIO



THE HOLIDAY CLASSIC





Once upon a time, we were the same.

One day, in the age of plastics & silicon breast implants, a fabulous boy-gyrrrl, named Finnochio was born.

When Finnochio was older, ze became an intern at Gapetto's studio. Finnochio had a crush on Pinocchio & secretly felt like a marionette trapped inside a boy-gyrrrl's body.





Gapetto found out about Finnochio's secret & was horrified. He told everyone in the village, got a restraining order & sent Finnochio to a puppet shrink. Finnochio got diagnosed with a serious case

of "puppet envy" or "Puppet Body Image Identity Disorder" (P.B.I.I.D.). The only FDA approved treatments at the time were xanax & a risky operation to get google eyes, but there were strings attached.

Later, while waiting in line at the pharmacy for the prescription, Finnochio met Jimmy, the talking cockroach with a mood disorder...It is Jimmy's big day. He is filling all of his prescriptions, each & every one: Adderal (for



PTSD), Wellbutrin (to quit smoking), Depakote (to keep him even), Geodon (because he's paranoid), Meridia and Topomax (to loose weight) along with Ambien, Trazedone & Seroquel (for sleep), an array of benzodiazepines, Demerol (for fibromialga), Ritalin (to keep him alert), OxyContin (for his sprained thorax), as well as Viagra. Jimmy was strung out & drunk & high as usual. He was wearing 2 patches, but smoked cigarettes anyway (Newport Lights, to be exact).



Jimmy turned bluish, passed out & had a seizure. Finnochio was at hir wits end and was about to overdose on xanax, hirself...When all of a sudden, a Radical Faerie, named Penelopee, appeared. She injected Jimmy with Naloxone, payed for his meds & helped him get into rehab even though he didn't have insurance. Then she told Finnochio that its alright to be fabulous & granted hir one wish...

... The wish to become a puppet.

Finnochio lived a long, happy, productive & eternal life, all the time passing as a puppet. Gepetto was arrested on child pornography charges. Jimmy got clean and went to twelve step meetings for a while and did yoga.



The End

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