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Capstone - Graphic Design

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Artist Statement:

When I looked up graphic design, Google search defined it as “the art or skill of combining text and pictures in advertisements, magazines, or books.” So even though people often attribute graphic design to digital media, I like to think it has a wide range of mediums. Because of this, you’ll find that not all of my work is digital media. I do like to render things digitally first though, whether thats a sketch in Photoshop, Illustrator, or Procreate before making physical art. I will use free imaging to render something realistic, create something on my own, or mesh the two together in the Adobe Applications for all of my digital works. For example, I loved working for The Rocky Mountain Collegian Student Newspaper as a Page Designer, where all of that work was created in InDesign.

In my body of work, you’ll find a lot of class assignments, with sprinkled-in professional projects. I have loved being able to explore my interests in art for the last 3 years since I became an art major at CSU; which is why I feel I don’t have an art style or medium yet. I have love for sculpture, drawing, and animation. I’m a very conceptual person and am grateful to have been able to learn a plethera of new skills to allow me to make my ideas phyisical. Rather than drawing inspiration from other art or art styles, I like to draw on my identities and experiences. I am a Black woman from a low in-come, single-parent family. These identities heavily impact who I am and how I show up in spaces. They influence how I see and experience the world, the topics I find interesting, and the struggles I face. When I can’t find the words to express my thoughts, art has become an effective medium for communication.

Though my overall work doesn’t directly tie to one another, I think its variety in materials, concepts, and execution show how engrossed I am to learn art- not just graphic design. I want to be a lifelong learner; meaning I’ll allow myself to change and grow overtime, taking my art along with me. Consequently, I hope my portfolio shows how expansive graphic design can be and how much I’ve learned as a CSU art major.

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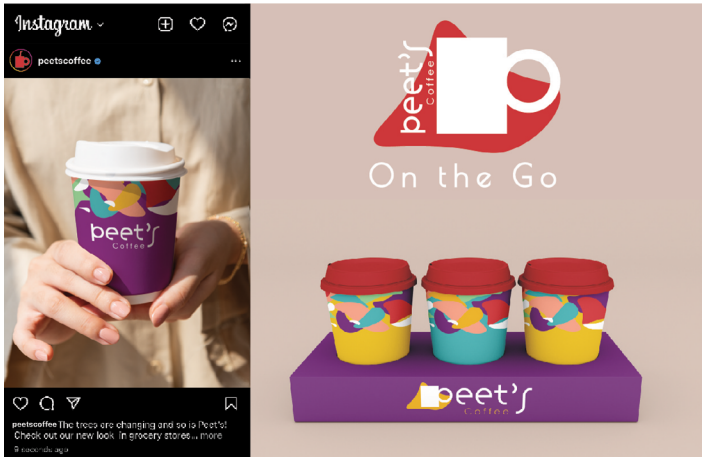

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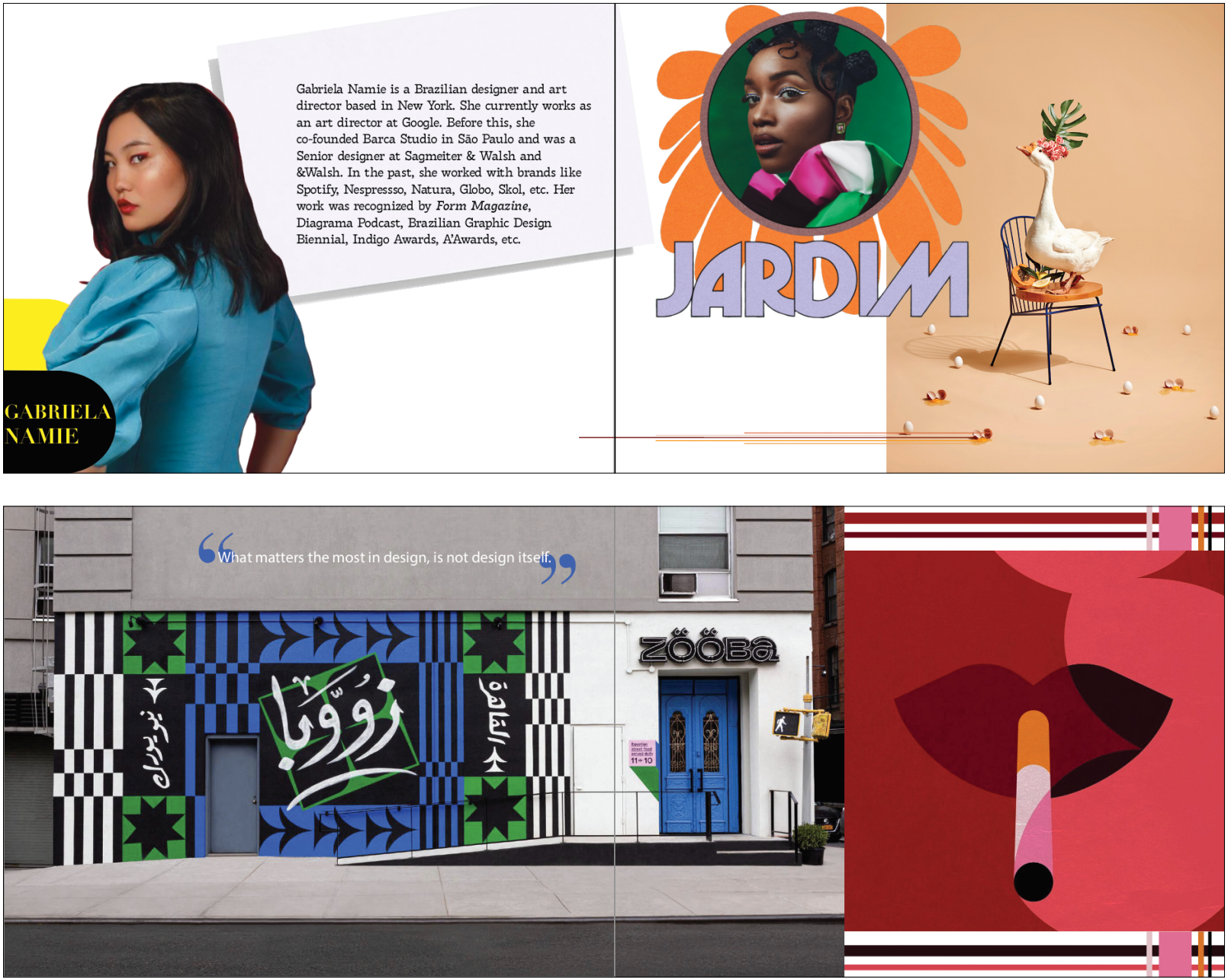

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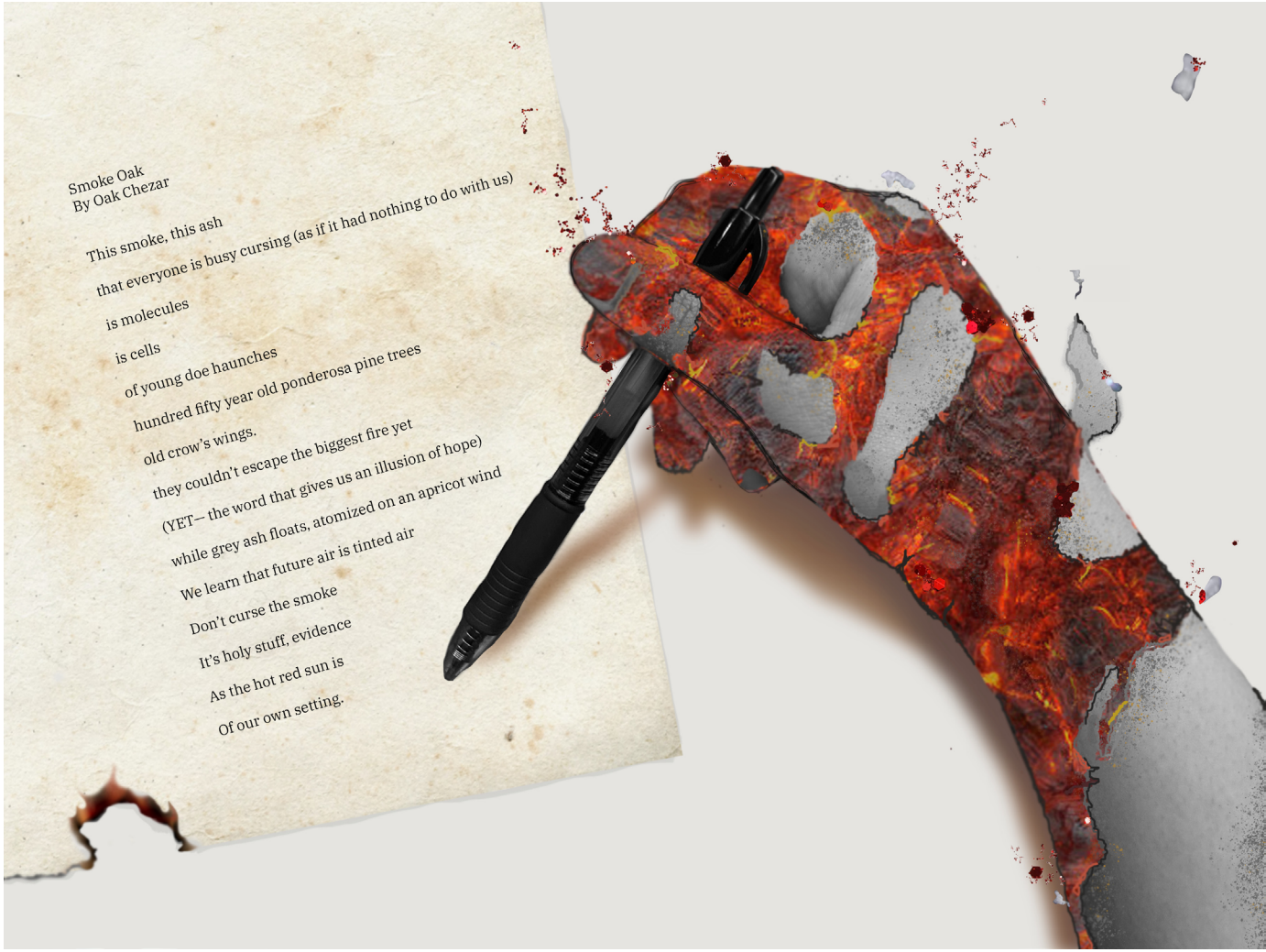

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Figure 8: *Goonies* Movie Poster ReDesign

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TRASH TALK

2022 Denver Broncos draft profile: Nik Bonitto

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The 2022 NFL Draft certainly did not offer the same high level of intrigue for Denver Broncos fans as in years past. This is due to the fact that almost all of the Broncos' premium picks for this year's draft were sent to the Seattle Seahawks in the trade blockbuster deal to acquire Russell Wilson.

Nonetheless, even without their first-round pick in this year's draft, the Broncos had nine picks to try to further bolster their already overhauled roster through the latter rounds of this year's draft.

As Broncos fans know better than most, the importance and potential of both mid- and late-round picks are often grossly underrated.

Without the presence of key players such as Emmanuel Sanders (third round), Derek Wolfe (second round) and Connor McGovern (fifth round) on the 2016 Super Bowl team, the Broncos would not have defeated the Carolina Panthers for their third franchise Super Bowl title.

Having said as much, it's abundantly clear that for top-tier teams in the NFL, strong contributions from mid- and late-round draft picks are an absolute necessity.

With the Broncos once again poised to compete as one of these top-tier teams, it was imperative that general manager George Paton was able to select a true difference-maker somewhere within his nine draft picks this year.

Fortunately for Broncos fans, I believe the Broncos did in fact find a diamond in the rough with their second-round selection of Nik Bonitto.

A 22-year-old outside linebacker from The University of Oklahoma, Bonitto possesses a rare combination of speed and size that allows him to excel as a pass-rusher.

In fact, this unique skill set led to Bonitto being named Pro Football Focus' Big 12 Defensive Player of the Year in 2021. Adding to this impressive accolade, Bonitto recorded a staggering 16 sacks in his final 21 games with Oklahoma.

Having run an impressive 4.54 seconds in the 40-yard dash at the NFL Combine, Bonitto solidified his place as a second-round pick. The reasoning behind Bonitto not being up for first-round consideration is entirely due to his lackluster production as a run-defender.

At 6-feet-3-inches and 248 pounds, Bonitto isn't drastically undersized as an edge rusher. With that being said, it's clear the No. 1 priority for Bonitto should be to put on some more weight. If he's able to get stronger and improve his technique, there's no reason to believe Bonitto cannot become at least proficient as a run-defender.

For now, Bonitto will serve as a rotational piece behind Bradley Chubb at the weakside linebacker position. With his exceptional pass-rushing abilities, he'll likely be on the field for all third downs and other passing situations.

In a year or two from now, if Bonitto is in fact able to improve enough as a run-defender, I believe he will unlock the ability to be utilized as somewhat of a Swiss Army knife for the Broncos' new defensive coordinator, Ejiro Evero. Evero would be able to switch up defensive formations by alternating Bonitto between both outside linebacker positions and occasionally defensive end.

Assuming he reaches his ultimate potential and improves in the run game, my NFL comparison for Bonitto would be the Philadelphia Eagles' newly signed star linebacker, Haason Reddick. Reddick is eerily similar to Bonitto in size, stature and strengths.

Like Bonitto, Reddick entered the league as an undersized pass-rushing specialist. After five years in the league with the Arizona Cardinals and Carolina Panthers, Reddick has heavily improved in defending the run and, as such, has become the defensive Swiss Army knife that I could someday see Bonitto developing into.

If nothing else, Bonitto is a relatively safe pick thanks to his already NFL-caliber pass rushing abilities. If he fails to develop in the run game, Bonitto will serve as a useful rotational linebacker at the very least.

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BEERS AND BALL GAMES

FoCo's top bar and grills to watch CSU, Colorado sports

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Fort Collins is known for many things, but when you're not out at Horsetooth Reservoir or at a dispensary, you might find yourself looking for a good spot to watch Colorado's professional and local sports. Whether you're in Old Town or cruising the city, here are a few spots in FoCo that provide Colorado and Colorado State University sports while definitely not disappointing in the drinks and food service.

Mo Jeanx's Bar & Grill

If you're looking for a compact and comfortable environment, Mo Jeanx's Bar & Grill is your spot. Located at 820 City Park Ave., it's closer to CSU's campus than Old Town, making Mo Jeanx's a central location for off-campus students on the west side of the University.

Mo Jeanx's is one of many restaurants around the area that offers several on-tap local draft beers from New Belgium Brewing Company and Odell Brewing Company. You can head over between 4-7 p.m. for a daily happy hour and grab a nice glass of '93 Shilling Ale or a classic Old Aggie Superior Lager.

If you're looking for more than just a beer while playing table pool in the back of the building, Mo Jeanx's offers numerous slow-smoked BBQ plates if you're trying to get your hands messy. If you're wanting more traditional bar food, the kitchen presents a classic Ruth Burger with bacon, guacamole and cheddar.

Whether you're on the lookout for a cozy hangout spot to watch a game or celebrate with your friends, Mo Jeanx's is your spot for a casual and low maintenance outing.

Brothers Bar & Grill

If you've been in Fort Collins for a while you've probably made your way to Brothers Bar & Grill in Old Town. It's one of the largest bars on our list, with maximum seating options for big or small parties, and it has several pool tables and arcade games sprinkled throughout the bar.

If you're wanting more of an energetic and loud environment, Brothers should be your go-to. With about 30 TVs spread across the bar, you'll never miss a drink from basketball star David Roddy.

Alongside several inside seating options, Brothers offers outside seating while also pulling up their garage-style windows when the Colorado sun decides to come out. Whether you're immersed by the TV lights or out enjoying the sun, you can find many drink deals any day of the week.

If you're out on the town on a Saturday night, you can ask for $5 Ram Slammers or special $3 Green Tea Shots on Tuesdays. But their Monday through Friday 4-7 p.m. happy hour doesn't withhold from their always available tasty menu.

You can expect just about every kind of bar food when it comes to ordering from Brothers, as they offer nachos, jumbo pretzel sticks, wings and burgers.

A customer favorite is the Smokehouse Burger, but many take a second glance at a different bacon delight: Cator Balls. But don't worry, they're much more appealing than Colorado's infamous Rocky Mountain oysters. With chicken wrapped in bacon and stuffed with pepper jack cheese and jalapeños, you can't find these anywhere else in FoCo.

Road 34 Bike Shop & Tavern

Coming in at No. 3 with no actual ranking place is Road 34 Bike Shop & Tavern at 1213 W. Elizabeth St., which is right near Moby Arena. Not only is this bar a great spot for local drinks but they also serve as a bike shop six days a week.

Because most people are currently interested in the things you can devour, Road 34 offers weekend and happy hour specials. With a 4-8 p.m. Monday through Saturday and all-day Sunday happy hour, you can get a dollar off any core draft drinks and fried food.

Their menu presents an organized look at the sandwiches, salads and appetizers they offer. One meal that Road goers can order is the Naked Homeless Man. The BBQ-smothered chicken topped with provolone and bacon is great paired with the bar's house cajun chips.

The overall surroundings of the bar are welcoming, with a smaller personal bar sitting area and pool tables. Road 34 seems to steadily have a line out the door and is a friendly area to occupy for watching local games.

Trailhead Tavern

To close out this standing of local bar and grills in Fort Collins, our last stop is Trailhead Tavern. Located close to campus in central Old Town, this is your typical local bar scene.

With a full-service bar upstairs and downstairs with football and shuffleboard, this large bar attracts locals and tourists. Although its abstract layout is different from an open floor plan, many gather to watch Colorado athletes compete while enjoying a cold drink.

The Tavern offers daily specials from the drink and food menus, like $6 burger baskets on Tuesdays, along with all-day happy hour Mondays followed by noon to 7 p.m. happy hour the other six days of the week.

If you need something more filling than a beer, Trailhead provides a full-scale bar menu with a list of apps and sandwiches. The bar follows trends similar to Mo Jeanx's with themed bangers, showing the Brown Burger with sautéed jalapeños, pepper jack, mayo and all the classic burger toppings.

While just about every bar offered to the Fort Collins community is planning to their customers, Trailhead Tavern and the other three listed here will supply just what you need to enjoy CSU and Colorado sports entertainment.

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Guests at Brothers Bar & Grill in Old Town play pool in the back of the venue April 10. PHOTO BY MICHAEL GILES THE COLLEGIAN

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BACK ON THE FIELD

Rams football shows out in Green and Gold spring game

By Braidon Nourse
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The new Colorado State University Rams football team was in action this weekend for the Green and Gold spring game. The intrasquad scrimmage was the conclusion of a weekend that consisted of tailgating, the inaugural Grit 5k run, a free youth football camp following the game and much more for the Ram football community.

The non-traditional format of the game included the White Team, consisting mostly of non-starters, starting the game with 21 points, giving a challenge to the Green Team, mostly starters, to mount a comeback. Also, the defensive units were not allowed to tackle any quarterbacks, as him to the quarterbacks were limited to two-hand touch.

The beginning of the first quarter was all about defense. The first series by the White Team ended with an interception, and the very next series ended with a three-and-out. Later on in the quarter, quarterback Clay Millen of the Green Team was picked off by White Team defensive back Brandon Gutman, who took it to the house to increase the lead to 28 following kicker Jonathan Terry's extra point.

With around 30 seconds left in the quarter, Millen found wide receiver Melquan Stovall on a 37-yard fade pass to put the Green Team on the board. The much anticipated "Fort Air Raid" offense did not seem to be in full effect, as the wind at Canvas Stadium was steady around 30 miles per hour with even harder gusts.

The only points in the second quarter for the White Team came from the leg of Terry, with two field goals under 40 yards to push the lead to 34-7. Then, as the half came to a close, Millen found wide receiver Dante Wright for a touchdown, cutting the lead to 34-14 going into halftime.

Junior Avery Morrow (25) stiff arms oncoming defensive lineman during the Green and Gold spring game April 23. PHOTO BY REUEL INDURKAR THE COLLEGIAN

"Rams fans should expect the connection between Millen and Stovall to be a special one this season."

Offensive lineman Dontae Keys (52) walks onto the field of Canvas Stadium to play in the Green and Gold spring game April 23. PHOTO BY REUEL INDURKAR THE COLLEGIAN

Colorado State University wide receiver Logan Flinta (U) catches a pass as defensive back Jack Howell (17) attempts to tackle him April 23. The intrasquad scrimmage was the first opportunity for newcomers like Flinta to play in a game-like scenario at Canvas Stadium. PHOTO BY GREGORY JAMES THE COLLEGIAN

Right out of the gates in the second half, Millen used the high wind to his advantage and found receiver Tony Horton for a deep score. Kicker Michael Boyle's extra point cut the deficit to 34-21. Then, on the Green Team's next series, Millen tossed to another receiver on a screen pass for an additional score, making it a one possession game at 34-28.

With around four minutes left in the third quarter, Ajou Vivens ran in a short touchdown to take the lead for the Green Team after Boyle drilled the extra point, 35-34. On the next Green Team drive, Millen threw another interception, this time to defensive back Langston Williams, to set the White Team up for a chance to take the lead back. The White Team went on to run a 37-35 lead thanks again to a Terry field goal from under 40 yards out, closing out the third quarter.

Vivens struck again for the Green Team nearly halfway through the fourth quarter on another short run to score a touchdown and take the lead back again from the White Team, 42-37. Later on in the quarter, it was quarterback Giles Pooler for the Green Team who found receiver E.J. Scott to push the lead to 49-37.

This was the last score for either team, as the Green Team was able to surmount their 21-point deficit to win by 12.

Millen looked undoubtedly comfortable in the pocket with his new offense. Despite the two interceptions he threw, the whole unit of starting offensive players looked confident. The mishaps on offense on both teams could be attributed to the unusually powerful wind and are likely not going to be commonplace come time for the regular season.

Rams fans should expect the connection between Millen and Stovall to be a special one this season, and it will all start Sept. 3 when the Rams travel to Ann Arbor, Michigan, to take on the University of Michigan to begin the 2022-23 campaign.

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FOOD AND DINING

The Fox Den brings a zero waste future to Fort Collins

The Fox Den: No Waste Cafe & Roastery in the zero waste cafe Fort Collins didn't know it needed. As one of the newest additions to the Fort Collins food and drink scene, The Fox Den has created a unique dining experience. The Fox Den opened in mid-March and is a cafe Fort Collins has never seen before.

The Fox Den is committed to running a zero waste operation. This means when you order a coffee, tea, beer, wine or any other beverage served here, it is served in a reusable glass.

If you are just stopping by to grab a drink and wish to take it with you, you are encouraged to bring your own cup or pay a deposit for a to-go jar. The deposits are $1 for cold drinks and $1.50 for hot drinks, which come with a fabric sleeve. All to-go glasses are refunded when customers bring them back.

"Within our first couple of days after opening, about half the customers were bringing in their own cups," owner Patricia Acheson said. "I haven't had anyone who has been really mad about the deposits we charge for the to-go cups."

When you enter The Fox Den, you are met with reclaimed decorations and furniture. All furniture pieces within the shop are part of their zero waste philosophy. The cafe is filled with local artists' work, bright vintage furniture and the smell of freshly brewed coffee.

There is a small part of the cafe where you can buy things like bags of their No Waste Coffee to take home and brew yourself, which is also available at Lucky's Market near Colorado State University campus. If some of the prepackaged coffee grounds are what you want, you can check out their coffee bean refill station. Bring your own jar, or use one they have to get your favorite coffee for home brewing. There are compost bins throughout the cafe, one for food and one for paper, to prove The Fox Den truly is a no waste cafe.

Each customer is encouraged to stay and enjoy their drink or pastry while they work or mingle with friends. When customers order, they are prompted to choose a mug hanging from the wall. All mugs and glasses are sanitized before being used to ensure each customer gets a clean and delicious drink. They have couches and chairs set up so customers can get comfortable while they enjoy their coffee. The Fox Den also offers food choices from pannini to pastries.

Acheson said she always dreamed of opening a zero waste coffee shop. Last year, on a bike ride around town, she found the vacated building of Microstar Laundromat and knew it was time for her dream to come true. She had owned and operated a couple coffee shops while she lived in California, but she wanted one where people could come sit, work and hang out. This year, The Fox Den was born.

"The response from everyone has been amazing," Acheson said. "(Fort Collins is) a really welcoming community."

With a cafe like this, there is no surprise that many people have already claimed it as their new favorite place to work and relax with a cup of coffee. You can check out The Fox Den off Laporte Avenue and support the no waste mindset Acheson hopes other businesses in Fort Collins will pick up on. To learn more, visit their Instagram page @nowastecafe_fonden.

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The Fox Den: No Waste Cafe & Roastery in the zero waste cafe Fort Collins uses reusable mugs and has no trash cans in the seating area May 4. PHOTO BY REUEL INDURKAR THE COLLEGIAN

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Katrina Leibee

"Though I am sad to be leaving *The Collegian*, I leave knowing it gave me my passion. It gave me belonging, work ethic, courage and resiliency. I like to think I gave it something too, and I am leaving it a bit better than I found it four years ago."

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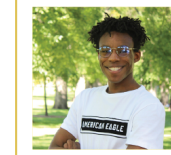

"This year has been the best one of them all. Seeing our editorial staff grow into the journalists they are now has truly been an incredible experience."

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MEDIA GRADUATE

PHOTO DIRECTOR

Luke Bourland

"Sure, my personal accolades have been highlights of my college career, but the truly incredible part of *The Collegian* was to see the beginning of so many blossoming passions and careers."

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NEWS EDITOR

Noah Pasley

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OPINION GRADUATE

OPINION EDITOR

JD Meltzner

"I came to college to major in English; I came with the goal of improving my writing and engaging with that community, and somewhere along the way that got lost. Joining *The Collegian* made me remember my love for writing."

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Sculpture in the Square highlights local artists

"It's really important in life, having that feeling of great beauty or having something that really detests you. It's really important to feel those things. It reminds you of being human because sometimes we forget."

AMANDA DEANGELIS
SCULPTURE IN THE SQUARE DIRECTOR

By Ivy Secrest
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Fort Collins is home to a strong community of artists and creatives who have beautified the city in a unique and enduring fashion. Fort Collins Art Week strives to give these artists a collaborative, public space to present their art.

As part of that effort, the Fort Collins Downtown Development Authority developed Sculpture in the Square. As of Saturday, April 23, Fort Collins' Old Town Square has been decorated with new elaborate creatures and towering structures that represent the growing art scene in the area.

This event offers that kind of opportunity for members of the community to experience the emotional pull of art and interact with their community in the moment. Sculpture in the Square is a juried show in which viewers can vote on their favorite pieces. This kind of interaction elevates local artists by allowing them to show and sell their work.

"I think people can connect to it — whether they really love it or really hate it, it's evoking some sort of emotion," said Amanda DeAngelis, Sculpture in the Square program director. "It's really important in life, having that feeling of great beauty or having something that really detests you. It's really important to feel those things. It reminds you of being human because sometimes we forget."

The DDA pays artists for delivering their artwork and having it on display for a year, during which it is for sale. This process supports both the DDA and local artists, which is essential in a growing art scene.

While Fort Collins isn't widely known for its art scene, that doesn't mean it isn't present. Between Art Week, the Art in Public Places program and the several theaters and museums that demonstrate local talent, it is clear the art scene in Fort Collins is, in fact, growing.

Pieces like Jon Neumann's "Girl Hawk" and Annette Coleman's "Turtledove Chimera" are excellent examples of how events like this can bring local artists into the public eye.

"I think we have a lot of really talented artists; I don't know that we always know that they're there," DeAngelis said. "Part of what the DDA is doing is trying to call attention to those artists."

While Fort Collins may not be an art hub the way New York and Los Angeles are, the beautification that's been instilled in the community is an excellent example of why we need programs like Sculpture in the Square.

DeAngelis developed the sculpture on loan program with her husband, a sculptor who had been doing art on loan programs around the country.

"We noticed Fort Collins didn't have one," DeAngelis said. "The DDA saw what we were doing."

A Square speckled with statues is much more interesting than one without, and it would seem attractions like these pull people out into the public and create a sense of community. DeAngelis and her husband are part of the wider community interested in the production, preservation and presentation of art that Art Week showcases.

Sculpture in the Square is one of many highlights of Art Week's events. It has continued the tradition of beautifying Fort Collins and shows off just how artistic the city can be.

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Several sculptures sit on display in Old Town Square April 23. The Fort Collins art scene has been growing over the years, and the Sculpture in the Square event highlights talented artists and displays their work for all people in the Square to see. PHOTO BY SARA SNAVER THE COLLEGIAN

MUSIC

5 FoCoMX artists to add to your playlists this summer

GRAPHIC ILLUSTRATION BY CHLOE LELINE THE COLLEGIAN

By Maddy Erskine
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Colorado will never have a shortage of good local music, and the Fort Collins Music eXperiment is a prime example of what this state has to offer. FoCoMX is a two-day music festival in Fort Collins that features more than 300 local artists at 30 different venues.

Whether you had the chance to attend the festival or not, it's worth your time to check out some of these local bands' tunes. Here are some songs by local artists you'll want to know.

1. 'Alley's on Fire' by Bevin Luna

Based right here in Fort Collins, Bevin Luna's music is a grunge-covered, blues-inspired, rock 'n' roll wall of sound. "Alley's on Fire" is a great example of this genre fusion that will leave you the feel of classic rock. With heavy punchy drums, epic guitar lines and soaring vocals, Bevin Luna is not a band you want to miss.

2. 'Rat Jam' by Funscreen

True to their name, Funscreen makes music that I feel matches the vibe of a happy movie scene full of bright colors and adventures. In songs like "Rat Jam," Funscreen makes complicated riffs and melodies sound effortless and simple.

Lyrically, Funscreen creates sometimes comical scenes like none other, such as "Rat Jam." You likely guessed it — this song is about rats having a good of time sneaking around doing their rat things. And as a cherry on top, the members often dress up as wizards and knights for their gigs.

3. 'Roots and Wings' by Antonio Lopez

Antonio Lopez, currently located in Longmont, Colorado, is a hidden gem in Colorado folk. His music is both emotional and uplifting, smothered in beautiful acoustic tones. "Roots and Wings" is a song about getting your roots and learning from your family, a simple concept made captivating with warm and comforting instrumentals.

4. 'Barely Even Real' by Pink Fuzz

Pink Fuzz is a Denver rock trio made up of Forest Raup and siblings Luke and John Denzine. Don't let the size of the band fool you; Pink Fuzz produces an unbreakable wall of grungy, high speed, psychedelic sound.

"Barely Even Real" goes both super hard and super soft, giving you a minute to feel very sad before jumping back into the pit. If you didn't get the chance to mosh to Pink Fuzz at the Aggie Theatre this past weekend, they are playing at Hi-Dive in Denver May 21.

5. 'Sunday Dreamin'' by Frail Talk

Frail Talk is an indie-folk band from Northern Colorado that creates music perfect for sunny days and daydreaming. I am a sucker for some good trumpet, and "Sunday Dreamin'" has just that. Aptly named, this song transports you straight to a relaxing Sunday morning, sipping coffee on your porch and watching people pass by.

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Figure 9: *The Rocky Mountain Collegian* Page Designs

Figure 10: ***The Life of Py***

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