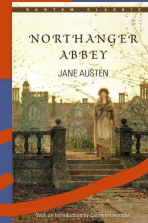
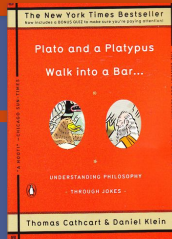


C) I have a lot of passions and interests, one of them being reading. Last year, in 2021, I ended up reading 42 books. Obsessing over book series, hating certain characters and reading the same books has brought me closer to friends who also share the interest. Some of my favourites by genre last year included Turtles All The Way Down which is young adult fiction, Plato and a Platypus Walk Into A Bar which is non-fiction, and The Princess Saves Herself In This One which is a poetry book. Right now I'm reading Jane Austen's novel, Northanger Abbey.



6) Hi! I'm Maile Yamaguchi and while I am a complex person that can't be summed up by a project, this Milanote is reflective of aspects of my identity, interests and values. Hopefully, you are able to learn something new about me.



<https://youtu.be/waOUNwZA4aQ>

[Why the US photographed its own WWII concentration camps](https://youtu.be/waOUNwZA4aQ)



A) My history and heritage are important to me, and over the course of the last few years, I've learned so much about my family. This video is about how the government covered up and construed media to influence the views of people during the second world war while Japanese Americans were being interned. It was very thought-provoking and was reflective of both the past and today. I have family that appear in some of the photos shown and on the left is a photo of my great-grandma.

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3) This video is from Technovation 2021, a tech competition I participated in last year. This video was an accumulation of many, many hours of work. We planned, coded and designed an app which we then marketed and tested. We had to create a business plan, pitch deck and then this video. While it isn't an award-winning short film, our team was proud of finishing it. This is also motivating, as we compete in the 2022 season it's a nice reminder that we actually did finish and complete everything last year and can do it again.



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B) Project 1907 is a non-profit volunteer organization that resides in Vancouver. It is run by Asian Canadian women for Asian Canadian women and works to amplify underrepresented voices in political, educational and social spaces. Personally, this is a topic that is very important to me especially with the rise in Asian hate crimes. I think that this website accurately represents some of my values and beliefs, I strongly agree with their mission and goals and almost did my work experience there for Science Co-op.



E) One really cool website is The Way Back Machine, it's a website that acts as an internet archive. You can essentially go back and access anything from any time since almost the creation of the internet. My class did a digital literacy and safety unit and this is one of the websites we looked at. It has stuck in my head ever since, it's very reflective of how digital footprints are never truly erased and content shared online should be carefully vetted before publishing.



<https://archive.org/web/>

[Internet Archive: Wayback Machine](https://archive.org/web/)

Due to a planned power outage on Friday, 1/14, between 8am-1pm PST, some services may be impacted.

5) I use a lot of different apps, one of my favourites for fun would probably be Instagram, but for functionality, PhotoMath is one of the best apps. Instagram provides a platform for me to connect with friends and keep in touch with relatives who live out of the country. I have a 'close friends story' which is a space to post random photos for a few of my friends which makes me feel more interconnected, both with me sharing things and viewing others. PhotoMath is an academic lifesaver, I use it while doing homework for math and sometimes physics class. You can take a picture of any mathematical problem or equation and it will show broken down steps



2) While my music taste is versatile and expands across multiple genres, I gravitate towards music I can relate to. Strawberry Blond by Mitski can be interpreted many different ways as art often goes, however, Mitski wrote it with the intention of reflecting on the longing and yearning for being a white person while growing up as an Asian American. The message resonated with me and I love the music style of Mitski.

4) An object that symbolically represents me and a part of my identity would be this mug, for multiple reasons. I think it has so much personality and is very whimsical, as well as including my favourite animal, which makes it representative of me. Additionally, it was a gift from my grandma and is a reminder of her love for gifting knick-knacks which I now share. Plus, repurposing it as a pen holder after it got chipped is a great example of the small sustainable acts that matter to me as someone who is invested in the climate crisis. While I understand that in the scheme of things this might not be impactful and that large corporations, lack of regulations and absence of major action are primarily to blame, I believe that taking small steps forward is better than taking any steps back. After that tangent, I want to finish by saying that many objects hold value for me, and I chose this one in particular because it can be unpacked in different and creative ways. I think the way I explained it was able to highlight some of my personality.

