

## THE WAR ON FUN Part 2 (fun is dangerous)

Gatherings have a power that systems of control fear. People come together form a community of shared purpose. that is why property owners regulate and control this power. Sports fans, concert goers are known to let their joy or anger to spill over to threaten the people in power. In fact Soccer hooligans were instrumental in overthrowing the Egyptian state.

The government makes it hard to get together as a community by shutting down venues, repressing protests, and making generally everything we do costly, illegal, or both. We are tired of waiting to earn enough money to have a night of fun. Permits are required, and cost money along with paying rent if its a venue, and insurance. On top of all of that, we must deal with noise complaints and the cops shutting down our events. We deserve the right to express ourselves, whether that be through music, protests, or festivals without the harassment of the police, or anyone else.

Having no need to ask for permission or more importantly no desire. We are determined to get together and enjoy ourselves in a community of autonomous resistance outside of the seemingly strict market confines of consumption and production, buying and selling. Being involved in a subversive culture creates a sense of responsibility and involvement in those that help organize a house show or cook at food not bombs for example.

We will continue to express ourselves freely and openly protest in the empowerment of joy unrestrained by police or property owners.

In July and August 2011 and August there were several outdoor all ages, generator powered shows. These were organized through the collective effort of the Humboldt punk scene. people helped by bringing equipment to share (even standing in for a mic stand!) making fliers and spreading the word as well as booking bands. Money was involved but it was more of a donation to the touring bands so they could be there and make it to their next show without issues. So ya money was spent but it went straight to the entertainers no middle-men and no one was turned away for being broke. Food and drinks were shared in the summer shine with loud and raucous bands forming the backdrop. There was a pillow fight in the mall of commerce, the Baysshore mall a pretty dull spot where you herd yourself from one shop to the next under constant surveillance from security cameras. Not to mention the scrutiny some of us face due to problems like racism and class hatred from the staff. It was decided that the mall needed some livening up and what better spot than in front of Gottschalks the city approved future site of Wal-mart. Friends and strangers strolled awkwardly through the mall pillows in hand until we burst with excitement and bashed each other with two or three minutes with pillows, amusing those that came to shop and infuriating the management. All it takes is an idea and a few friends. Halloween, new years, any day we choose, resistance is everywhere. (mobile dance party)

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The police are watched for at almost every party, when they come it usually ends. We need to throw parties that the cops watch out for, like Tahir Square or occupy Wall Street. If it can be Organized for then it will be done, some events require planning and some festivities are best when spontaneous. The privatization of life or perhaps the commercialization of life seems to be everywhere. the shirking avenues and prescribed ways of coming together for free expression are tightening so that those who weren't paying attention are starting to feel the pinch. Even traditional protests are controlled so they have no direct effect on the world, just stand there and wave your sign maybe hope a car will honk, gatherings of that type if successful are evidently becoming unacceptable to the System. Occupy Wall street protesters have been maced, bullied, and arrested by police. They refused to leave, they inspire and their influence grows, in fact they aren't even breaking any "law" that is on the books. A clear sign that the established order is afraid of the power that we all can and do collectively hold.

We can't stand for this boredom, this passivity it seems near violent. The youth, we need something, anything with excitement! No more mind warping TV and video games, enough! A life worth living is within our reach, We must get off our couches to party in the streets!

# Need a Reason

## +oAct?!

IT'S A WAR  
ON WOMEN AND A  
WAR ON THE POOR!  
WE HAVE TO  
FIGHT BACK!

WE ARE STILL ONLY PAID 75¢  
ON THE DOLLAR FOR EVERY DOLLAR  
MEN MAKE FOR THE SAME JOB...  
RIGHT WING NUTS CALL US SLUTS  
IF WE AREN'T ASHAMED SO  
THEY CUT REPRODUCTIVE HEALTHCARE,  
INCLUDING BIRTH CONTROL,  
...WHILE WOMEN ARE KILLED AND RAPED  
FIGHTING THEIR WARS  
THEY'RE TRYING TO CUT  
SOCIAL SECURITY AND MEDICARE,  
THAT MY GRANDMA NEEDS!!

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