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Imitation is...

By: Fatima Rabihi

Imitation is suicide. Sometimes being yourself can be difficult. It's so because we might feel afraid of facing judgment and face self doubt. Though, I believe achieving our great potential means to have the courage and confidence to be ourselves. It's ok to be different. It's ok to love science or math or theater or anything. It's 100% ok, to be passionate about something and follow that passion without regard of what others think. It's important to not care about what others think and only focus on how you view yourself. The number one regret of the dying, reported by a nurse in The Guardian is, "I wish I'd have the courage to live a life true to myself, not the life others expected of me."

We should show up every day with personal honor and dignity, realizing our worth and allowing others to do the same. We should show the world what we are made of and continue to no matter what. We should follow our inner guidance. We should listen to the voice within us because no one can tell you what's right for you, expect for you. Shakti Gawain says, "every time you don't follow your inner guidance, you feel a loss of energy, loss of power, a sense of spiritual deadness."

One of my favorite quotes which was a response a

famous world best dancer gave to another dancer that wasn't happy with the way she danced. Martha Graham says, "There is a vitality, a life force, an energy, a quickening that is translated through you by action and because there is only one of you in all of time, this expression is unique. And, if you block it, it will never exist through any other medium and it will be lost. The world will not have it. It is not your business to determine how good it is nor how valuable nor how it compares with other expressions. It is your business to keep it yours clearly and directly, to keep the channel open. You don't even have to believe in yourself or your work. You have to keep yourself open and aware to the urges that motivate you. Keep the channel open. There is only a queer dissatisfaction, a blessed unrest that keeps us marching and makes us more alive than the others."

Getting by in life, isn't enough. We have to embrace that divine dissatisfaction. We have to be selfish and do what makes us personally happy. There is no need to compare yourself to others, just improve yourself and be you, unapologetically.

2020 Is Coming: Political Opinion

By: Agung Wongso Putra

#TrumpShutDown and the DACA Crisis

On January 19, 2018 at midnight, senators on Capitol Hill decided for a government shutdown. Despite having weeks to figure out a budget that would work for all Americans, Republicans chose partisanship. Further, Republicans who control the House, the Senate and 45 himself decided that DACA Dreamers are not an urgent issue facing this country. Even though this problem was started by 45 who repealed an Obama executive order on DACA. This was a program that gave temporary legal status for those who came to this country as kids, grew up in this country and now contribute to our expanding economy. However, even though 45 promised that he would work with both parties to solve this crisis, unfortunately he lied and stood quietly as he watched a government shutdown unfold that night.

have also been a part of the Democratic agenda and for them to turn their back on this is disheartening and may disfavor them going mid midterms.

Republicans were so willing to throw Dreamers under the bus, that they did not stop the government shut down, even on the eve of 45's one year anniversary in office. The Democrats took a firm stance that they would not vote for any funding until they had an opportunity to fix the DACA crisis. How did all of this eventually end? Even with 2020 coming soon, the Democrats caved under a promise from Mitch McConnell that there will be an opportunity soon to address this issue. The issue of comprehensive immigration reform and DACA



A family has taken sanctuary at Church of the Advocate on 19th and Diamond. They face violence and abuse if they are deported. The four children just started back to school this week.



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Albums You Should Check Out

By: James Hillyard *I prefer not to judge a book by its cover, but what about an album? If the album cover is not animated or a crisp photo I'm even not looking at the tracklist.*

Maxo Kream- Punken Maxo provides a nice break from all the “woke” music that I listen to daily, replacing bars about issues in society with real tales from his life. Recommendations: *Pop Another, Grannies, Roaches, 5200*



Ab-Soul- Do What Thou Wilt Ab-Soul is the spiritual leader of TDE, where as everyone else dabbles in the hidden knowledge Soul dives in head first with us holding the rope. Recommendations: *Raw (backwards), Threatening Nature, D.R.U.G.S*



David Banner- God Box David Banner is a platinum producer/rapper who has given us more hits than I can name here. The God Box is his gift to a world that is constantly battling good and evil, and this album tips the scale. Recommendations: *My Uzi, AMY, Marry Me*



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