POETRY FROM YESTERDAY
Introduction

For my first zine, I wanted to share some of my poetry. I’ve always loved to write but have never felt fully comfortable sharing my voice. Writing poetry has been incredibly empowering for me. There are so many badass women/femme authors, singers, songwriters that I look up to, and whose voices have resonated with me since I was a kid. So along with my poetry, I also made a playlist of some songs written and/or sung by powerful ass women or women led groups. I didn’t want a specific theme for this zine or the playlist I made. It may seem inconsistent, but I wanted this zine to exist in a way that was organic and free from structure.
shredded stars fall in between my thoughts
lonely sentences drip down from the ceiling
I never finish what I want to truly say, because of the endless amount of beautiful things that always find a way to interrupt me.
I am unfinished.
I am still rewriting what I want to be heard.
water- like words crash into me, but with grace
I never know how to translate them into a legible language for others to understand.
Words will not do me justice.
But I will still
Bend, Push, and reshape words
To forever try and fit them, to the wonder that takes my form.
wishes bound me  
to the wind
kisses ground me  
to my kin
the sun writes me  
a letter
rain droplets begin  
to tether
mountains shed  
their songs
the bees dance and  
hum along
this is how I know  
that magic is real

I am left feeling like a  
feeling that cannot  
be concealed
I watched myself through the eye of a window
in a place that was familiar and yet
too vague.
the world spun here in my hand,
and like a child picking grass.
I plucked the thorns out
from a young heart
that was too innocent to understand
the person looking back at them.

Using the clouds that circulated my mind,
I made a blanket.
I stitched and stitched until I myself became woven within the tiered threads.
Then,
I wrapped myself into myself
and fell asleep
into a peaceful nowhere.
playlist

1. MYSELF TO MYSELF- ROMEO VOID
2. WOMAN OF THE Ghetto PHYLLIS DILLON
3. MR. INTENTIONAL- LAURYN HILL
4. FOUR WOMEN- NINA SIMONE
5. SLEEP TILL THEY DIE- LA LUZ
6. MUJER MODERNA- FEA
7. OH BONDAGE! UP YOURS! - X-RAY SPEX
8. DISPARATE YOUTH- SANTIGOLD
9. 1977- ANA TIJOUX
10. HIVE- PLEASURE VENOM
11. TIBÚRON- LAS PIÑAS
12. I FOUND YOU - ALABAMA SHAKES