

GOT TIME FOR MORE?

St Stephens Benefit Show Dec 17th

The legacy of DC punk benefit shows lives on to this day. On Dec 17th, St. Stephens Church will be hosting a benefit show with local band Bed Maker. Expand your psychogeographies experience! Going to the show is as close as you can get to this month's story

(without a time machine)

learn more about the history of DC punk and hardcore

Visit the MLK Library Punk Archive

dclibrary.org/punk

Or Check Out These DOCUMENTARIES:

An Impression: Dischord Records

Co-directed by Psychogeographies contributor & Rorschach Company member Kylos Brannon

vimeo.com/8599786

Punk The Capital

punkthecapital.info

Salad Days

saladdaysdc.com

Check out these songs on the platform of your choice to enhance your DCPG experience!

Ignition - So Moved

Embrace - No More Pain

Government Issue - Where You Live

Fugazi - Promises

DISSONANT CITY
SOUNDTRACK

At Home Experience

If you choose not to leave home right now, or you live far away, find an open space, crank up some rebelliously loud tunes, grab your favorite candy, and jump and dance around as you lose yourself in the song. Are you now all sweaty, energized, and ready to take on the world? Excellent.

Break the seal inside the box. Begin by exploring the items in the order described in the "WHAT TO DO WHEN YOU ARRIVE".

Watch the video here as you read through the notes and fliers:

rorschachtheatre.com/pgdc-home



All Souls Church Unitarian
1500 Harvard St NW Washington, DC

Your starting point to exploring underground concert venues in Columbia Heights and Mt. Pleasant



what you need to know

Bring your Chapter 2 box.

Leashed dogs are welcomed on your outside walk but please make sure to clean up after them.

For those using car/metro, keep in mind that this chapter's path will not lead back to your starting point so factor in time to circle back to your starting point if needed.



HOURS

Dawn to dusk daily but please be respectful of church service times.

GETTING THERE

Metro - Take the Green/Yellow line to Columbia Heights station, walk two blocks south on 14th St to Harvard St and turn right, then walk on block/cross 15th St and the church is on your left.

Parking - Parking is readily available on the nearby streets, but please pay close attention to parking signs.

IF YOU'VE BROUGHT A YOUNG (OR YOUNG AT HEART) RORSCHACHER ALONG

Powell Recreation Center (3149 16th St NW) has a great playground on the right as you head north on 16th Street from All Souls. Warm up with a cup of hot chocolate or hot apple cider at Elle's (3221 Mt. Pleasant Street) or for those hearty souls unafraid of the cold, grab some ice cream at Mt. Desert (3110 Mt. Pleasant Street) run by DISCHORD Records Alums Melissa & Brian.



Hungry? All of these locally owned establishments have contributed to the culture of Mt. Pleasant for a variety of lengths, but are indicative to the cultural richness of the neighborhood.



Accessibility

The journey consists of paved pathways with minimal inclines. Some areas of the sidewalk may be uneven, so please pay attention.

DON'T MOVE THE REFRIGERATOR* NOTES



As always, remember to show respect to all those you encounter at the church or on your walk.

* "Don't move the refrigerator" is a shorthand phrase invented in the early days of Rorschach to mean-- "This should be so obvious we don't think we have to say it...but we're saying it anyway."

What To Do When You Arrive

When you arrive at the **All Souls Unitarian Church** take a moment to sit on the steps and absorb the view from this unique location. All Souls has a long history of hosting punk and hardcore shows. From the steps you can see The Washington Family Church National, Rabault Park, a view up into Mt. Pleasant, and the National Baptist Memorial Church.

Once you've absorbed your surroundings, examine the contents of your package, but wait to read Pia's letter to her mother. This location is where Cupid and Pia got off the bus and began a journey that would lead Pia from her religious background to a new community. When ready, travel north on 16th Street toward **St. Stephen's** (1525 Newton St NW). Take in the sites as you explore the half mile walk they took to get to the show. Consider how much history is within the structures you pass and how dense the presence of religion is on this particular walk. Take note as you pass the **Shrine of the Sacred Heart** (3211 Sacred Heart Way), and across from it, the **Mt. Pleasant Library**. On your way, consider a detour by taking a right on Columbia Rd. and visiting **Casa Del Pueblo/Calvary Methodist/Sanctuary Theatre** (1459 Columbia Rd NW*), a church with a long history of hosting shows like the one Pia will attend**.

When you reach Newton St, take a right and rest for a moment to look at St. Stephen's Church, site of a life changing night of bands, for many, but in particular for Pia. Read through her letter to her mother, have a candy break, put on the button, and then continue on your way.

Now travel west on Newton until you reach 17th street, taking note of the neighborhood along the way. After a left on 17th, you will be moving south into Mt. Pleasant and eventually come to **La Casa Community Center** (3166 Mt. Pleasant St), Pia's place of residence as of the writing of her letter.

*some longtime **Rorschach** fans may recognize this location as the company's home from 2002-2007)

This particular concert and its headliner, **The Redlined, are fictional, but the other bands are real and worth exploring on your own.

A GREAT PSYCHOGEOGRAPHIC EXPLORATION INCLUDES:

Wandering as you explore your physical world in a leisurely way

Subverting your everyday relationship with the city through a fresh perspective

Discovering the present through the prism of the past... and maybe a dash of the occult.

As you explore the present, past and fictional world of **DISSONANT CITY**, think about where these ideas converge. If you're moved to snap a photo, sketch a vision or jot down a moment in time--do it.

And as always you can share your unique perspective with us at info@rorschachtheatre.com or tag us on social media

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