

# DEAR EATEN FISH



An artistic open letter of love, defiance and solidarity from Australia to Manus Island

Compiled by Jini Maxwell

**ABOUT THIS PROJECT:** Cover Illustration by Rachel Ang

Eaten Fish is a 25 yr old Iranian comics artist on Manus Island. He has complex PTSD and severe OCD. He has been on Manus for 3 years.

Fleeing a country that refuses to accept anyone who is forcibly repatriated, and having suffered ongoing sexual harassment and assault in detention, Eaten Fish began a hunger strike on the 31st of January. As of the 11th February, it is ongoing.

DEAR EATEN FISH is a collection of illustrations of fish from people all around Australia— and from around the world— as an open letter of love and solidarity to Eaten Fish. We want him brought here. We do not believe in indefinite detention. We do not support the torturous offshore processing centres. We see you. We stand with you.

It has been an honour compiling these contributions. I think the love that went into it from every contributor is evident.

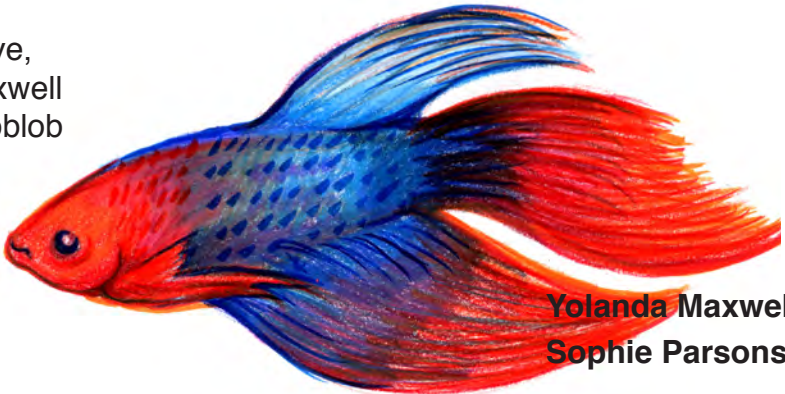
All proceeds from the sale of this zine will go to the Refugee Art Project.

Bring them here.

[www.eatenfish.com](http://www.eatenfish.com)

[www.meaa.org/campaigns/bring-them-here/](http://www.meaa.org/campaigns/bring-them-here/)

with love,  
jini maxwell  
@astroblob



Yolanda Maxwell  
Sophie Parsons Cope



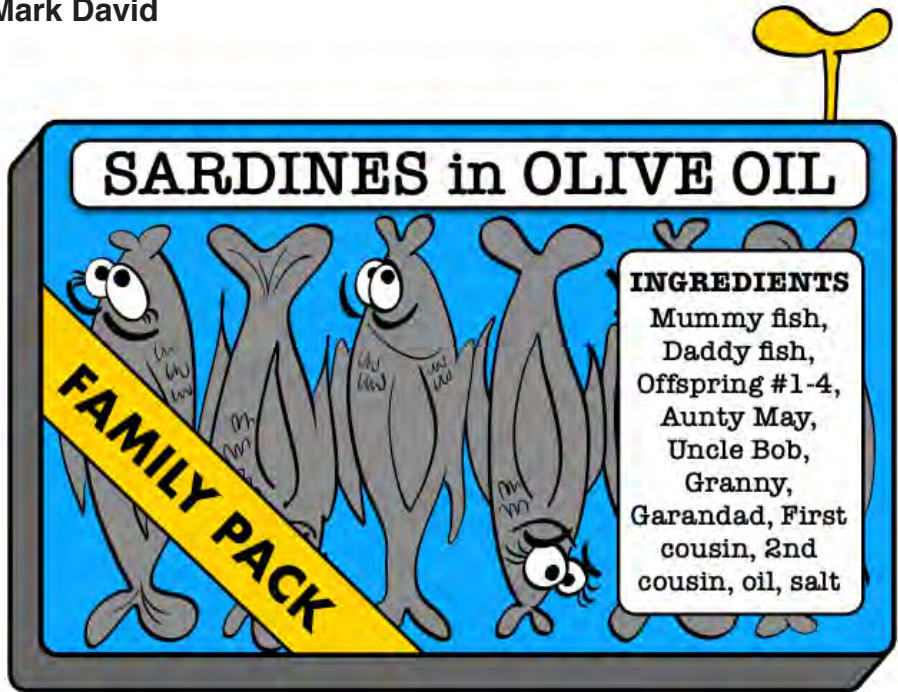


T0ad





Mark David



On closer inspection, the true meaning of 'family pack' was better understood

Martina Zeitler



Watercolorist: Kendra, age 8  
Drawing by Kendra's Mum 2020

**Kendra**



Maya



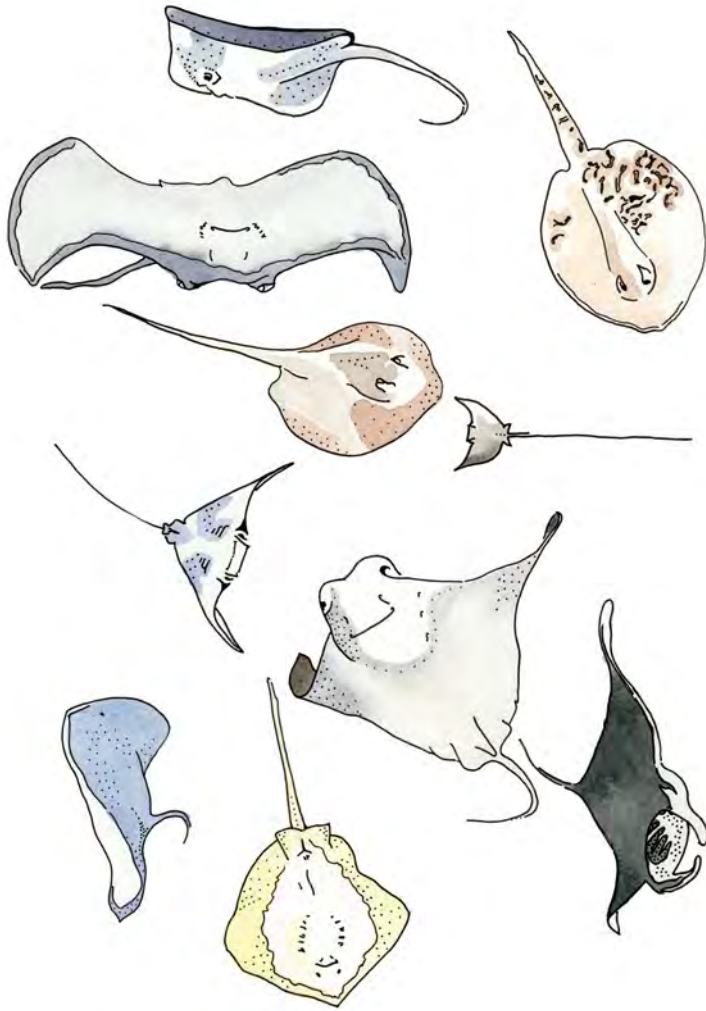
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Jane du Toit



Kim Ritchie



Chloe Vassallo



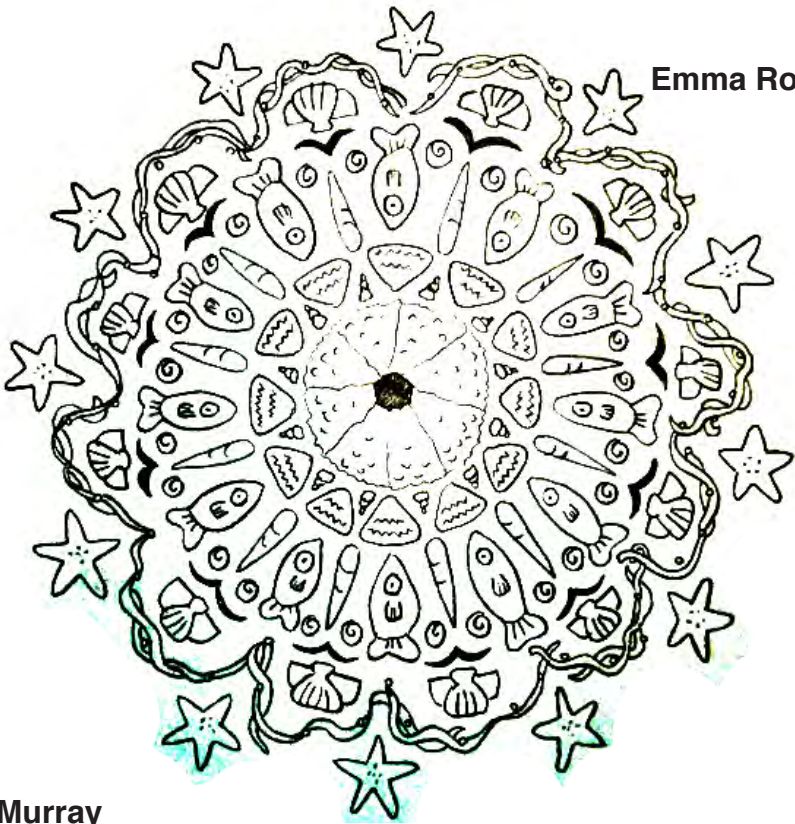
**Martin W King**

Sage Dufty-Miller



Sarah Drinan

Emma Rowland



A. Murray



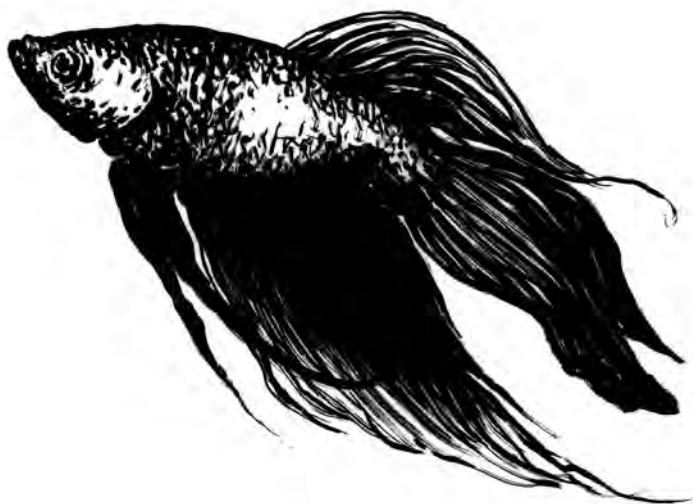


*Mark Art  
Rhodes*

*Release  
Eaten Fish!*



**Natalie Aylward**



“It is a fighting fish... because we must fight oppression, racism, xenophobia... and most of all, FEAR. Sending love and support to Eaten Fish & all of the people held in detention centres.”

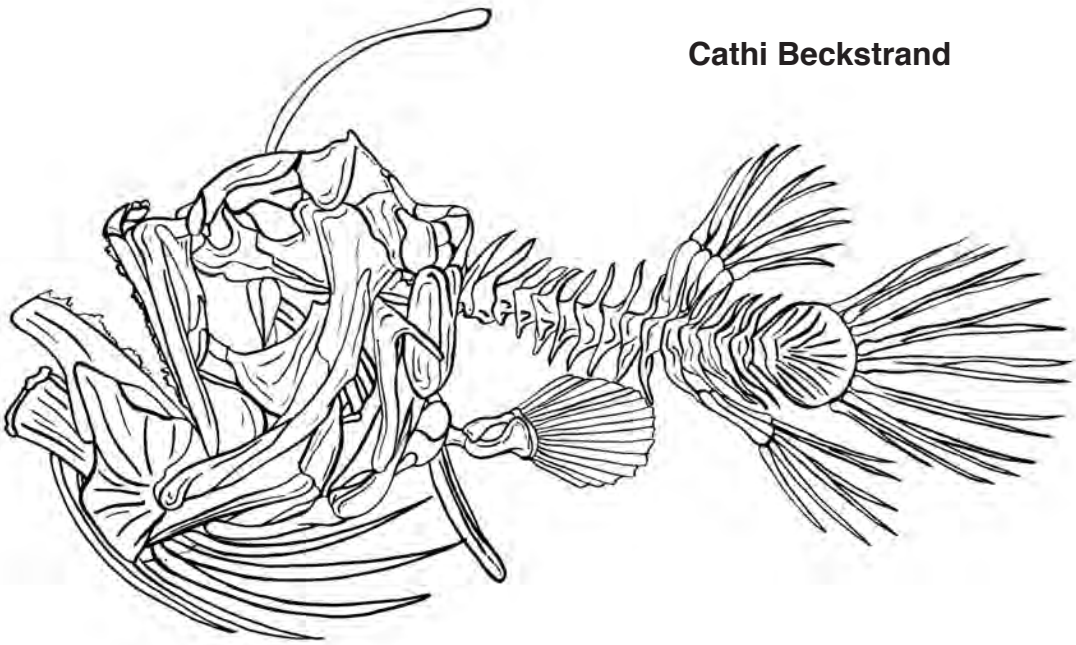
**Christie Torrington**



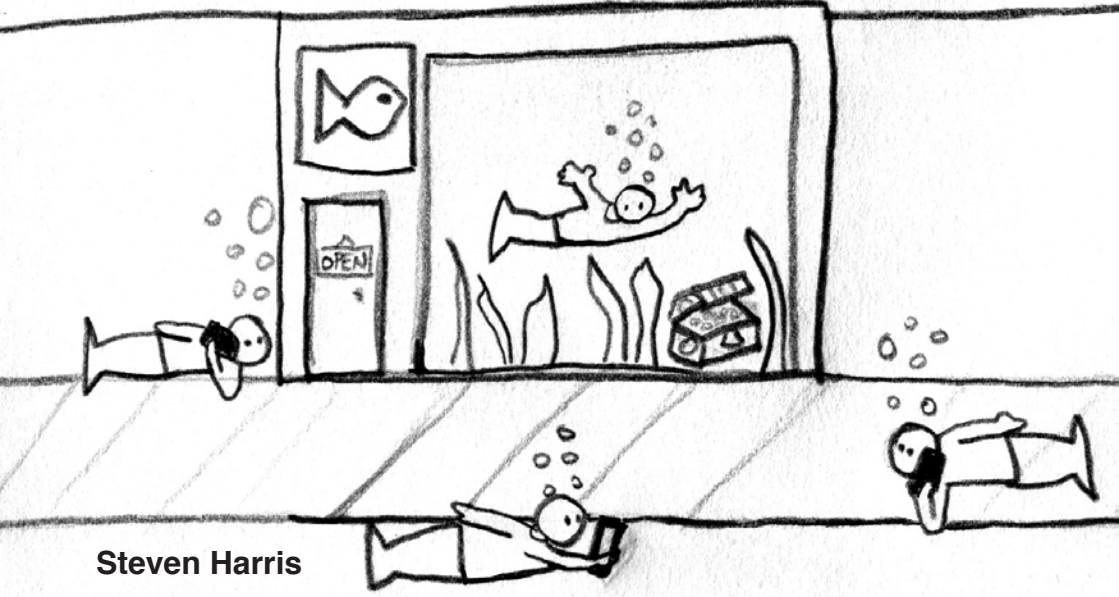
**Murtaza Ali Jafari**



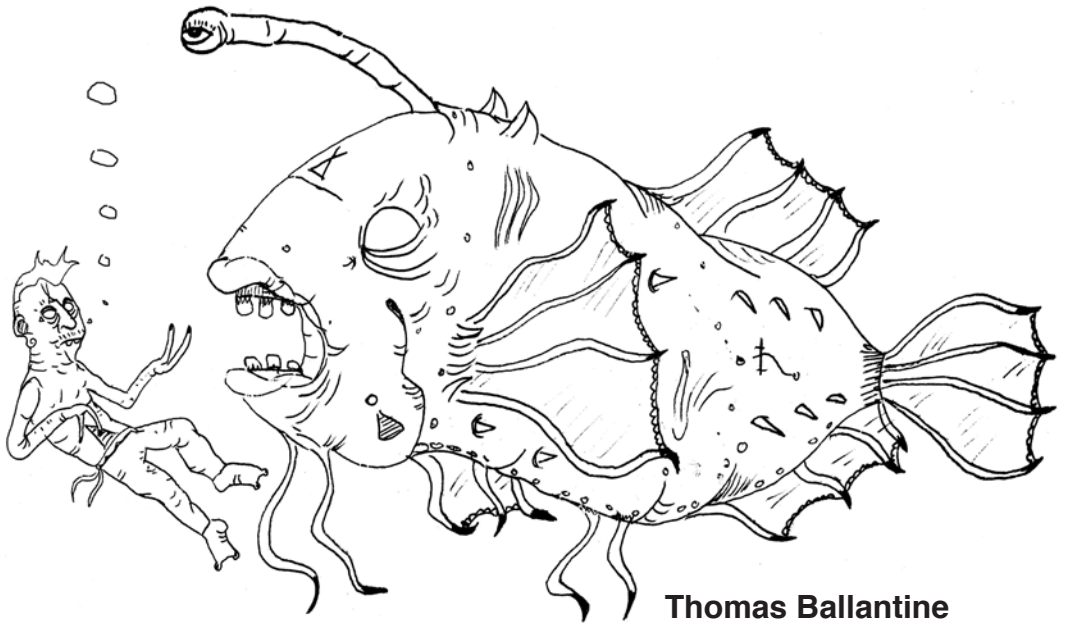
Cathi Beckstrand



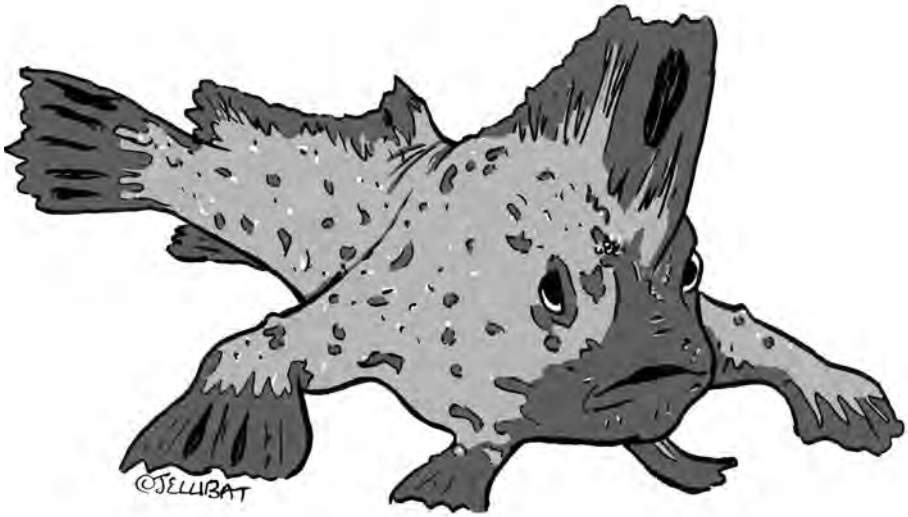
SAVE EATEN FISH.



Steven Harris

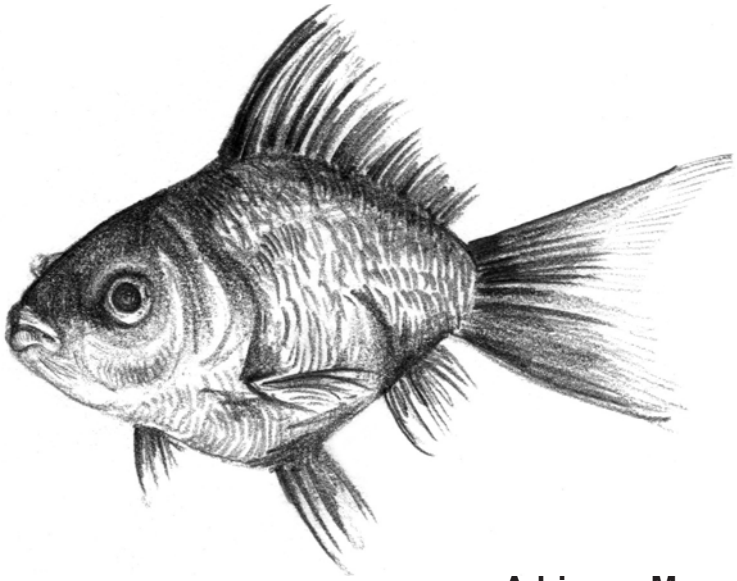


Thomas Ballantine

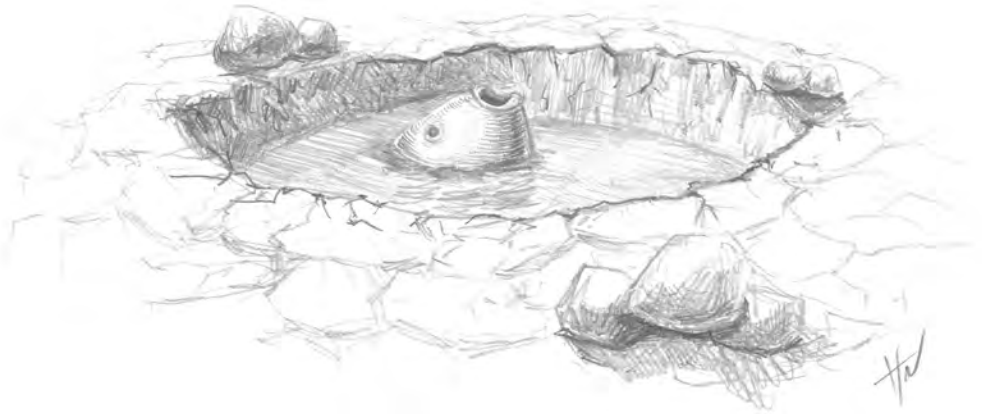


RED HANDFISH  
Thymichthys Politus  
CRITICALLY ENDANGERED

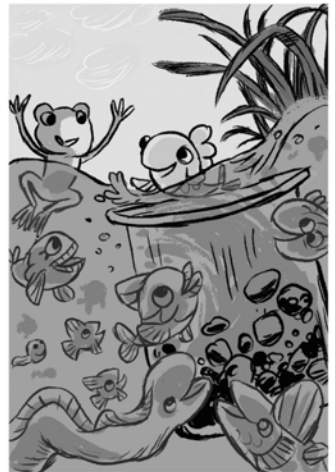
Angela East



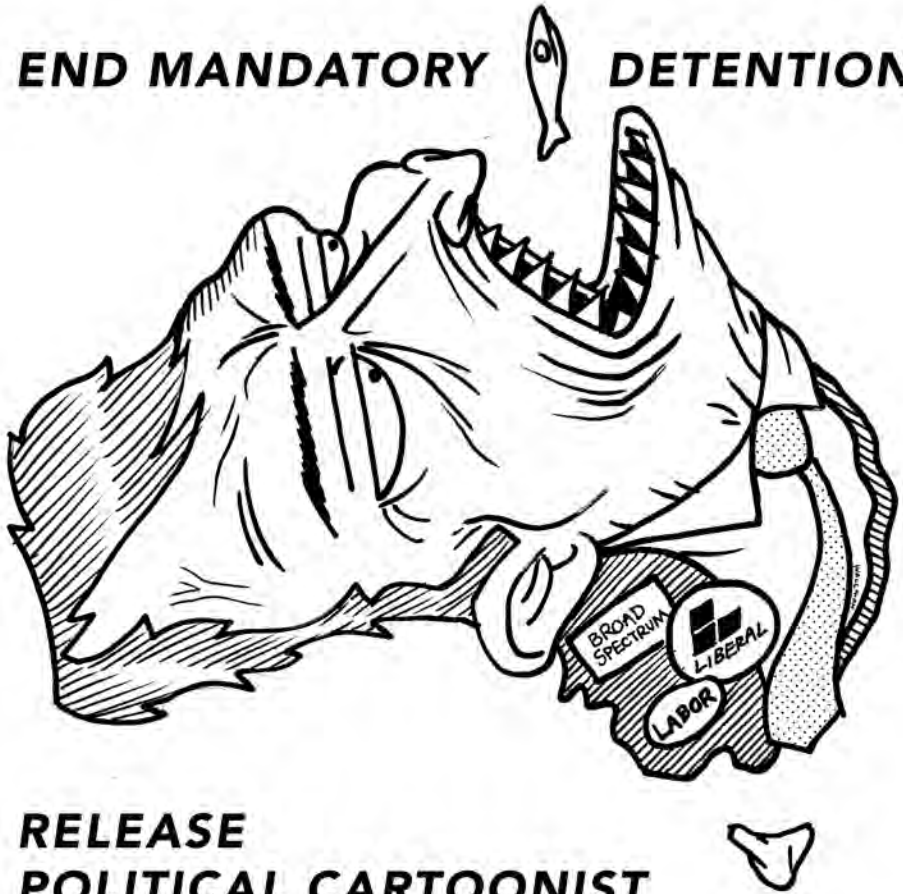
**Adrianna Mammino**



**Harley Ng**



**END MANDATORY DETENTION**

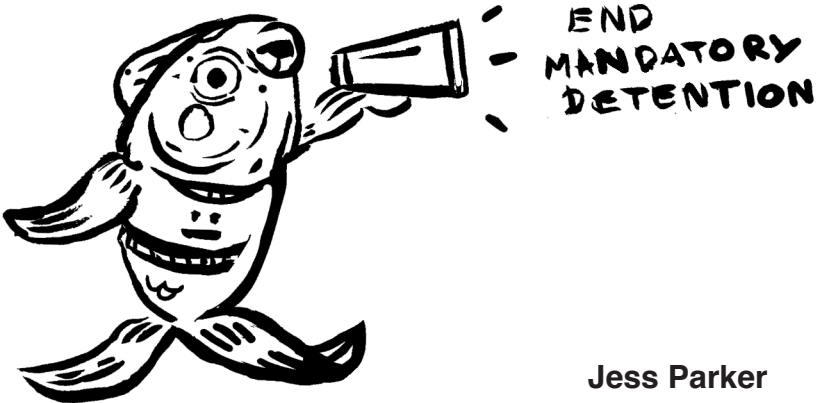


**RELEASE  
POLITICAL CARTOONIST  
'EATEN FISH'  
FROM MANUS ISLAND**

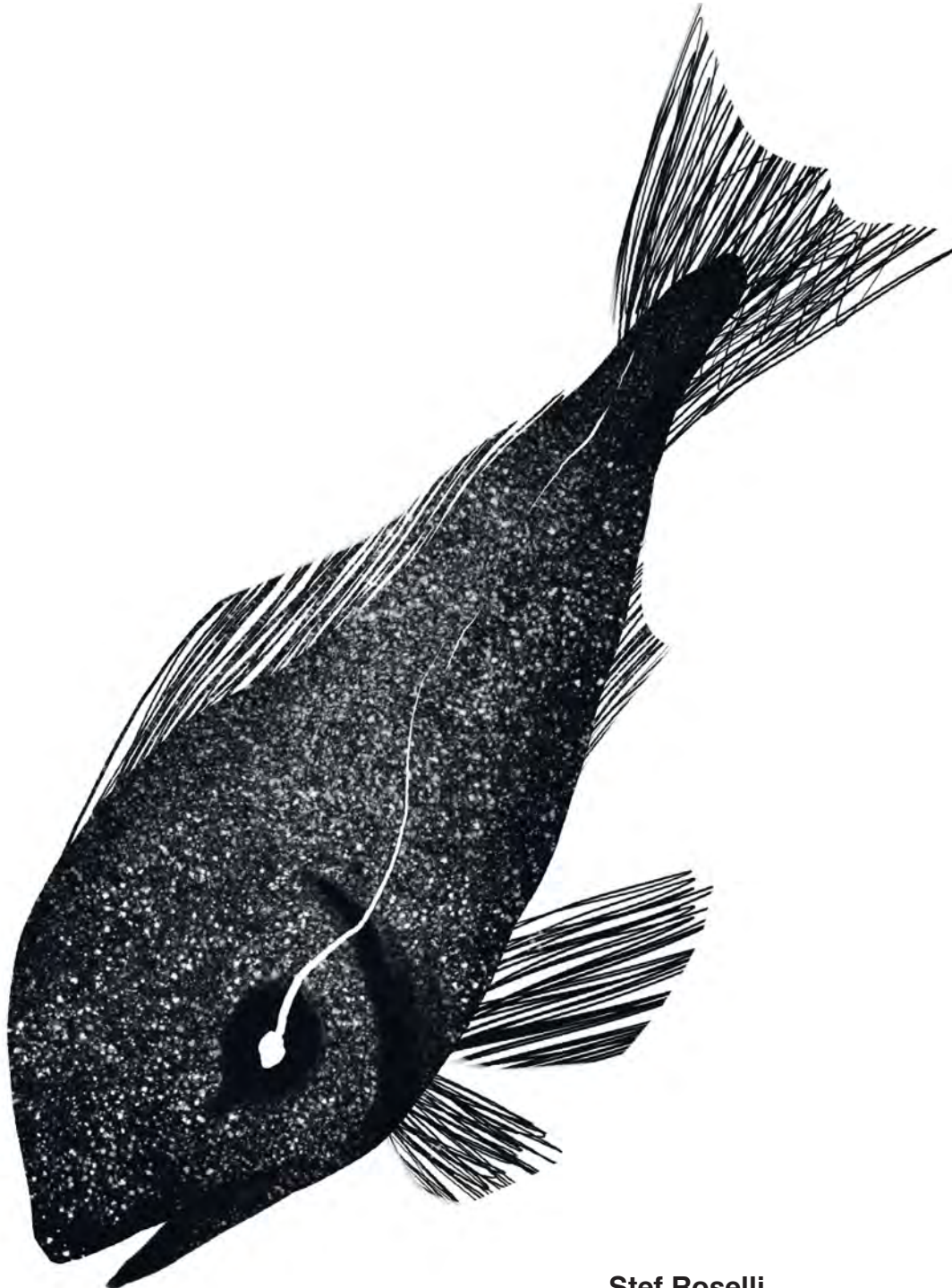
Sam Wallman



**Jarad Bruinstroop**



Jess Parker



**Stef Roselli**



SUNFISH



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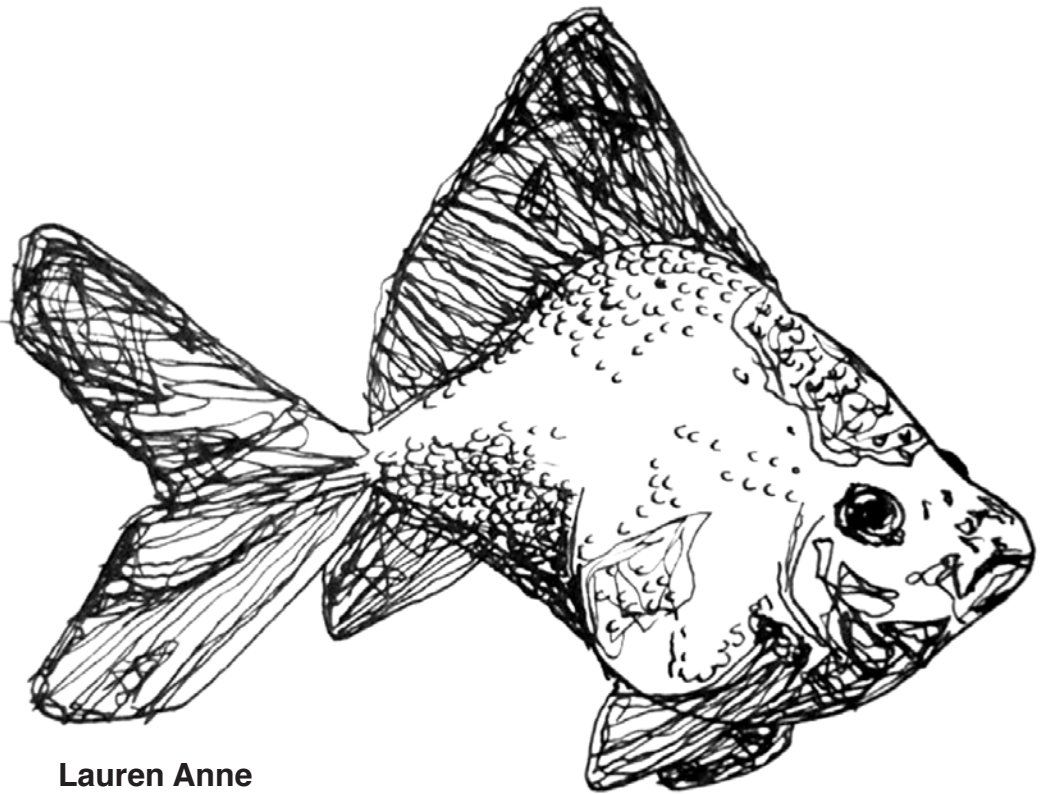
YOU

S.R.

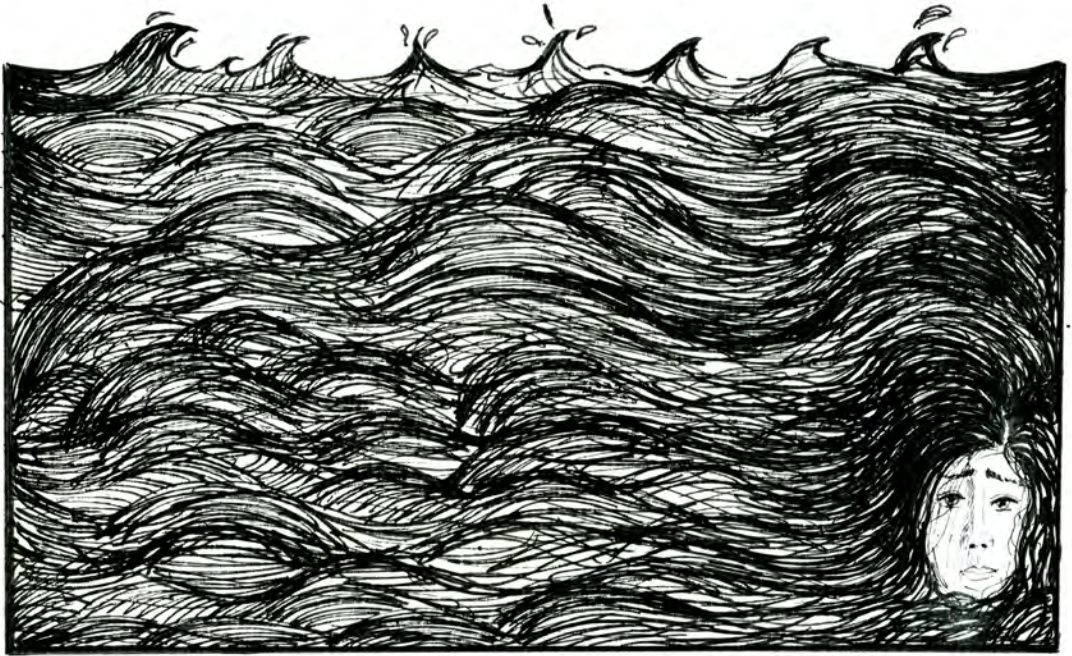
Sophie R



**Chloe Bubb**



**Lauren Anne**



THE OCEAN IS MY PASSPORT

**Mona Moradveisi**

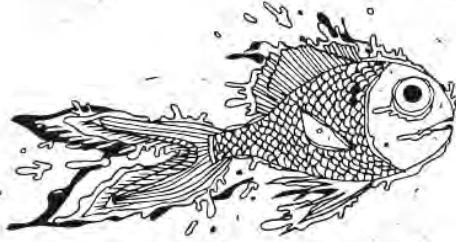
Sarah McCloskey



*Sarah McCloskey*  
2008



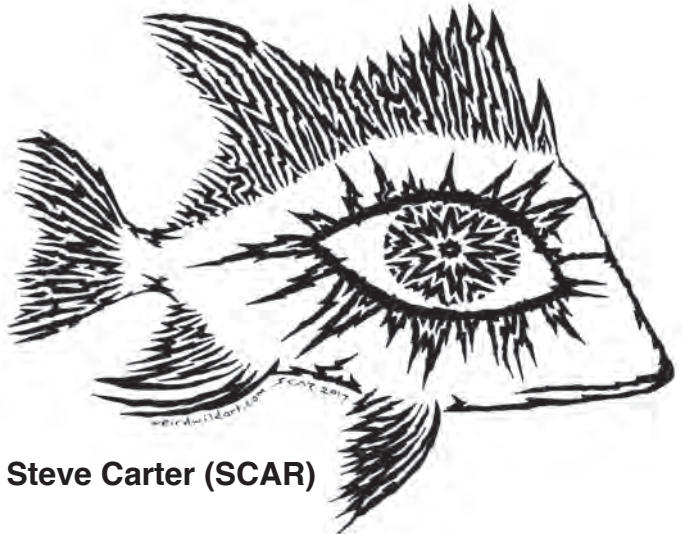
Safdar Ahmed



**Jelena Railic**



**Marli Lopez-Hope**



**Antoinette Rydyr + Steve Carter (SCAR)**

Send my love to eaten fish.  
The drawing is a gesture of  
love too.

**George McNab**



George McNab  
left-handed  
02/17

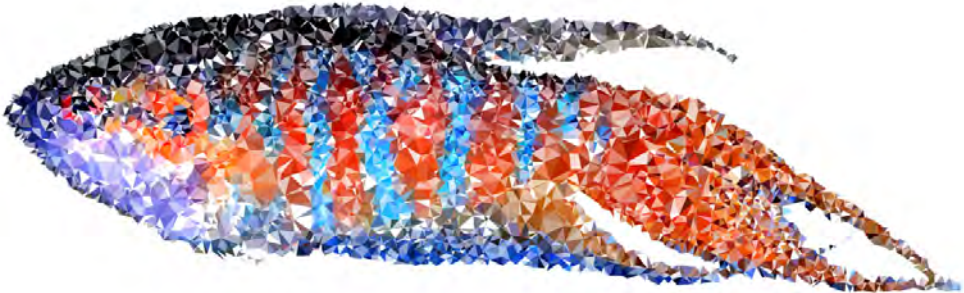
**Klara Kelvy**



Karen Maeda



Kevin Lavery

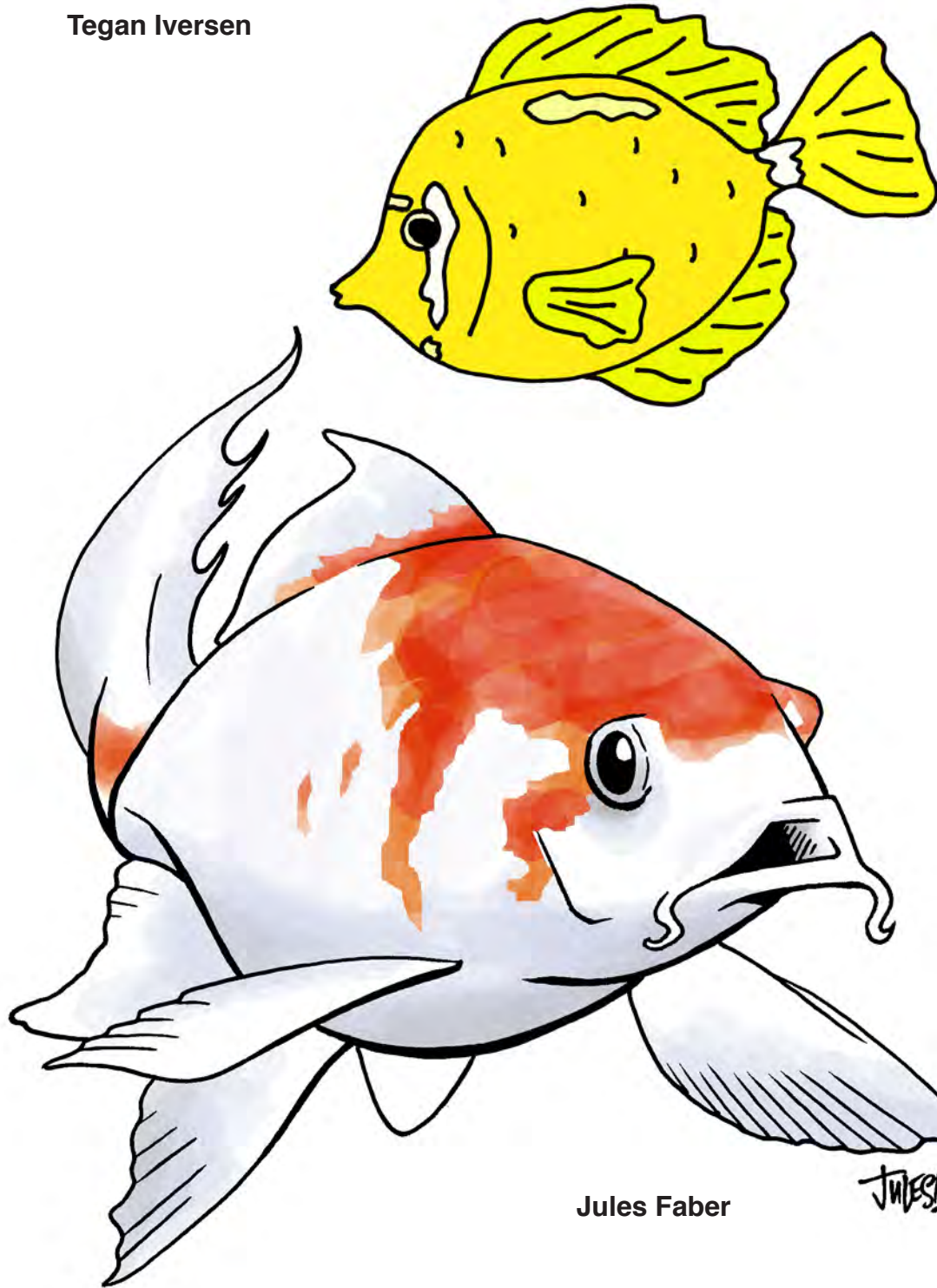




Anita Gurrieri



Tegan Iversen



Jules Faber

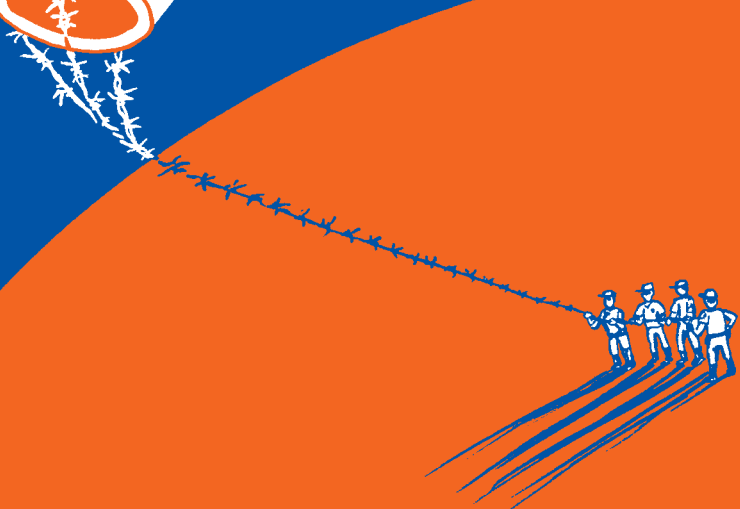
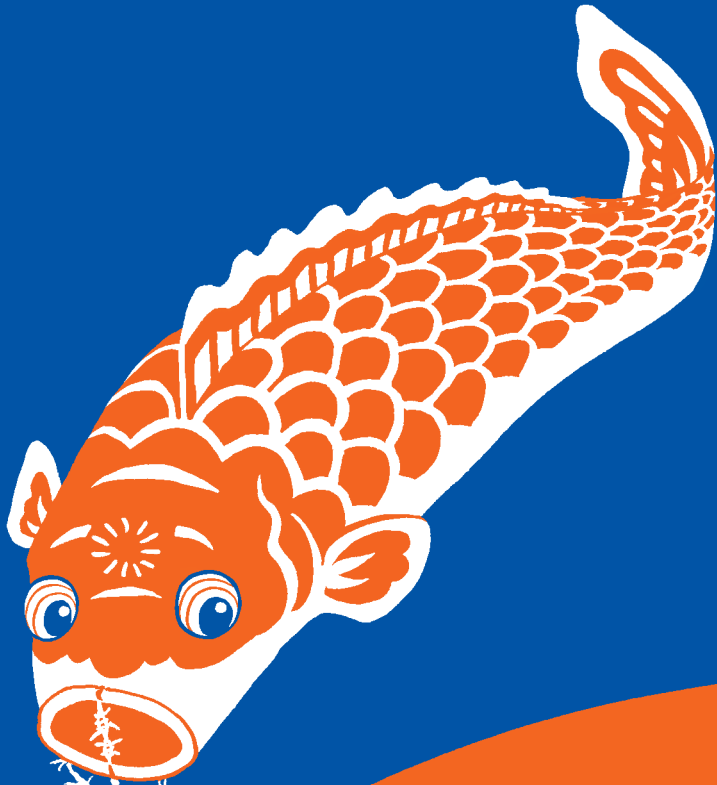
Jules



**Audrey Chmielewski**

Hannah Atcheson





Ian T.  
02/17.

Ian C. Thomas

Sending my love and thoughts to Ali. **Olarne Rye**





Rebecca Cheers



Many Best Wishes for RELEASE!!!

Nik Scott



**Ayelet Anesha**





**Lisa Stewart**



Miranda Costa



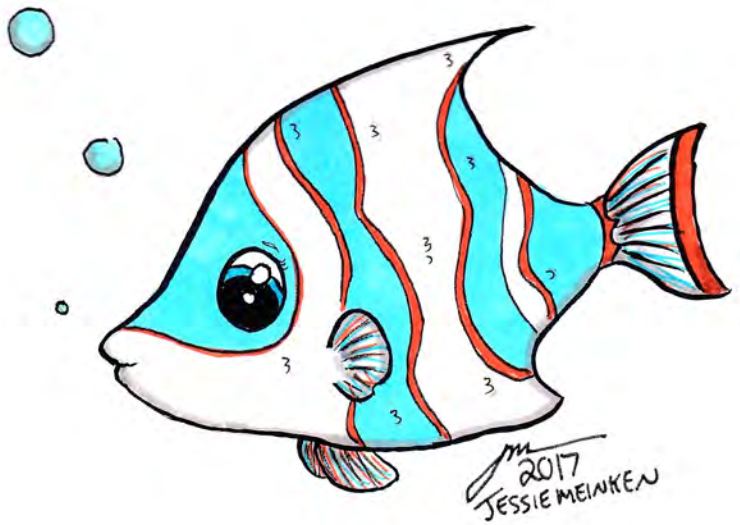
Joey Buoi



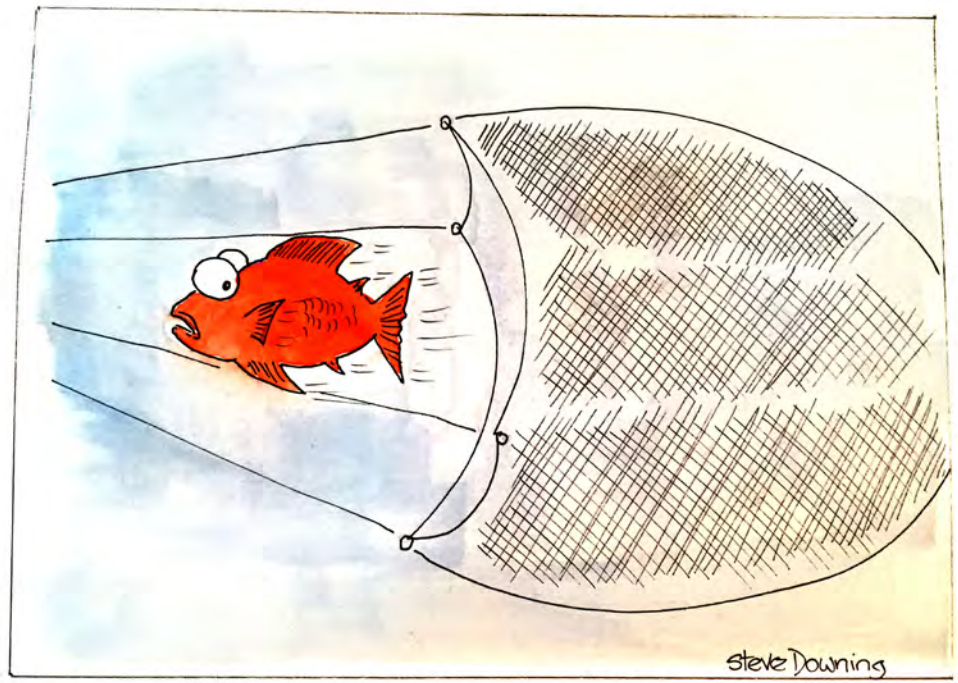
Peta Tron



Chris Kelly

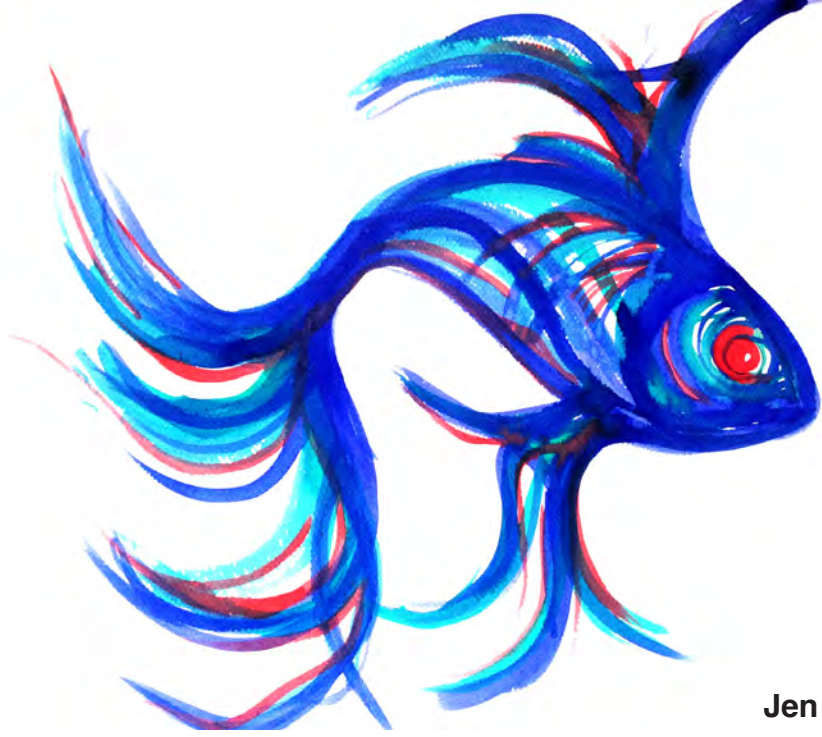


Jessie Meinken



# FISH ESCAPES CAPTIVITY

Steven Downing



Jen Scott



Ele Jenkins

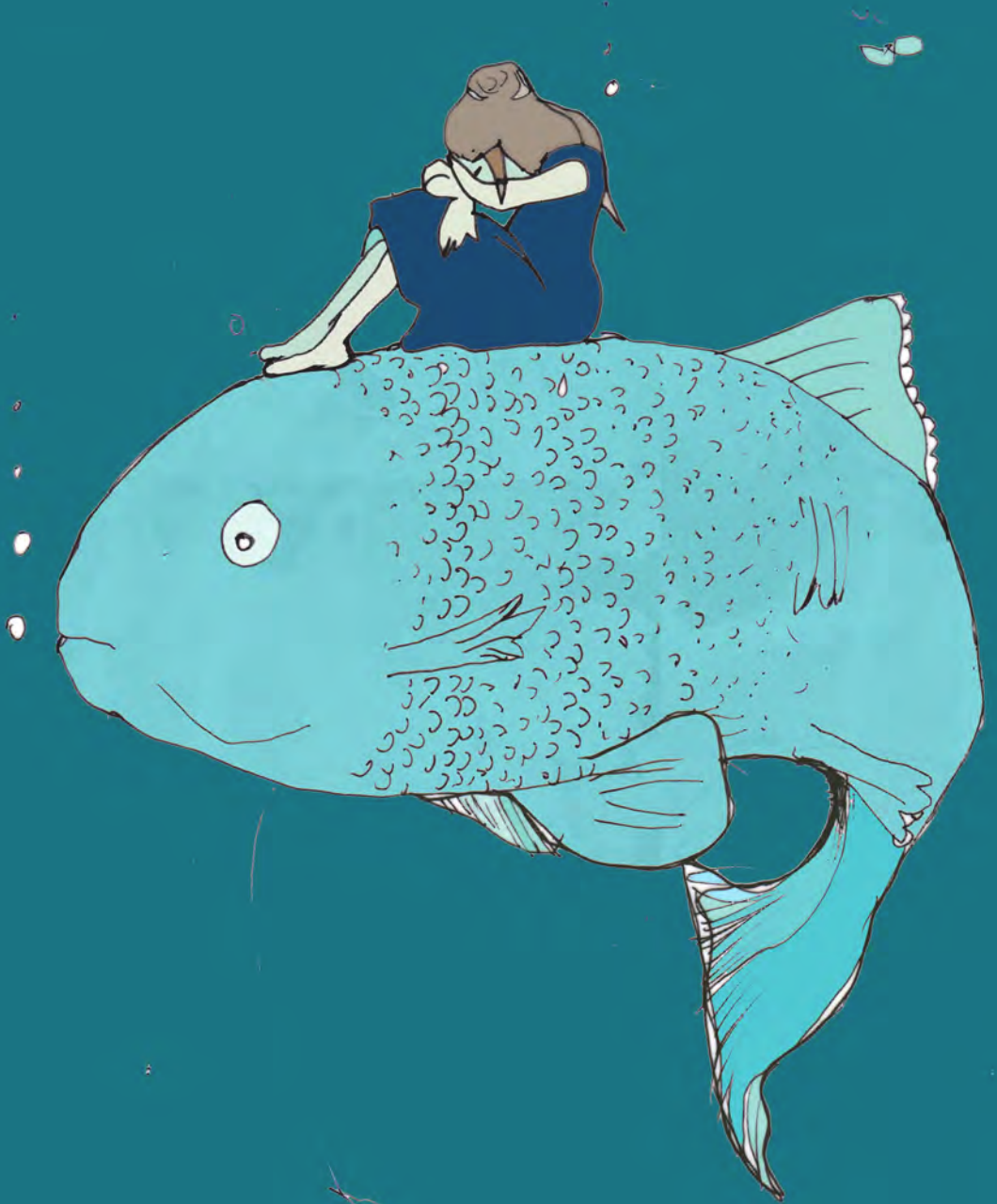
TO EATEN FISH, FROM ELE JENKINS

DagToons



Grade 1 and 2 ESL students in Quang Ngai, Vietnam

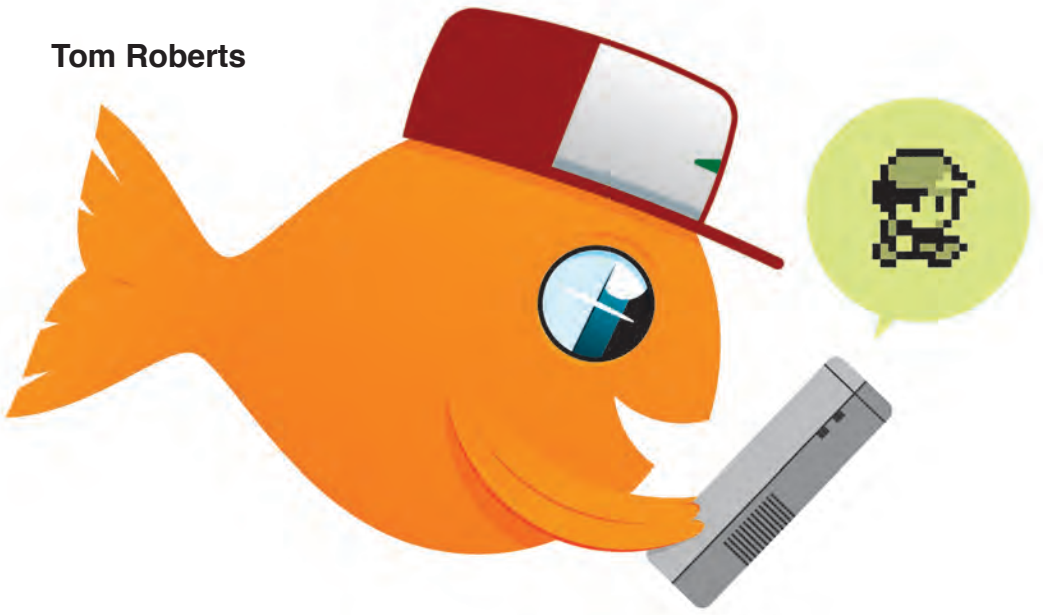
Isabel Watts







Tom Roberts

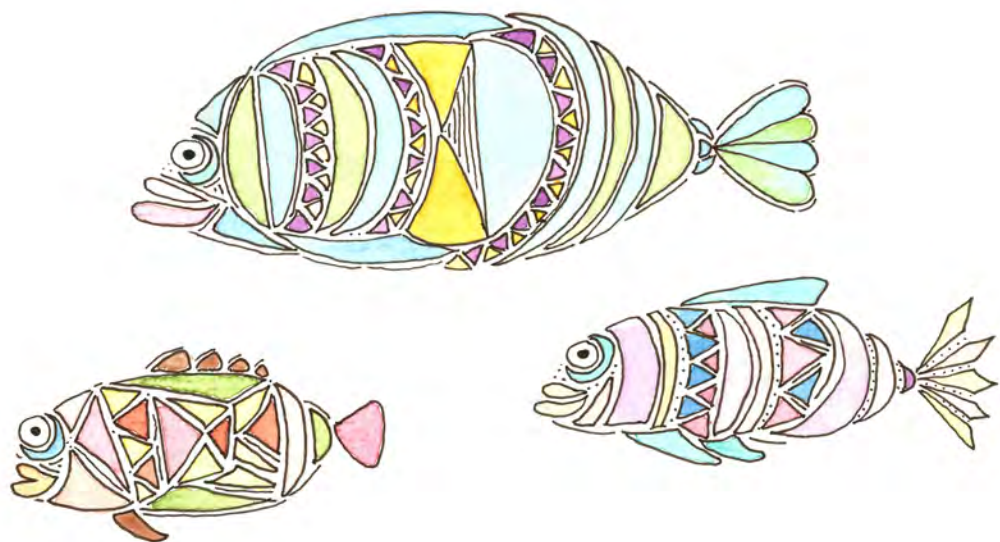


# FISH PLAYS POKÉMON



Matt Bissett-Johnson

"Let us all swim."



Jessica Gleeson



Yentaylor  
x





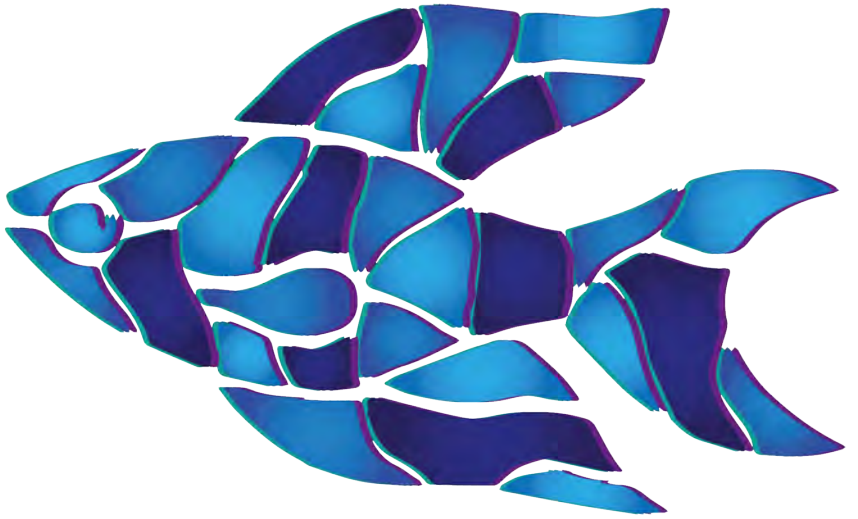


Cortez rainbow wrasse

Yannick Maxwell







**Marziya Mohammedali**

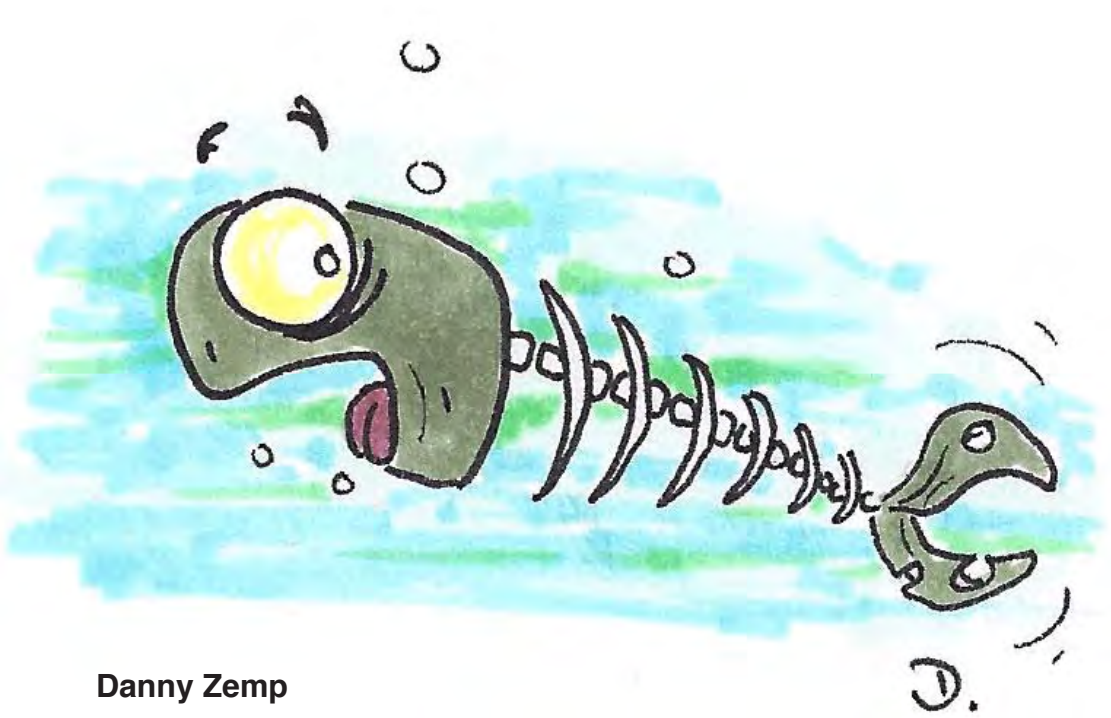


I only hope that knowing that there is a broad community standing against it and speaking out and telling the truth will bring some comfort, and that love will prevail in the end. **Sue Kennedy**

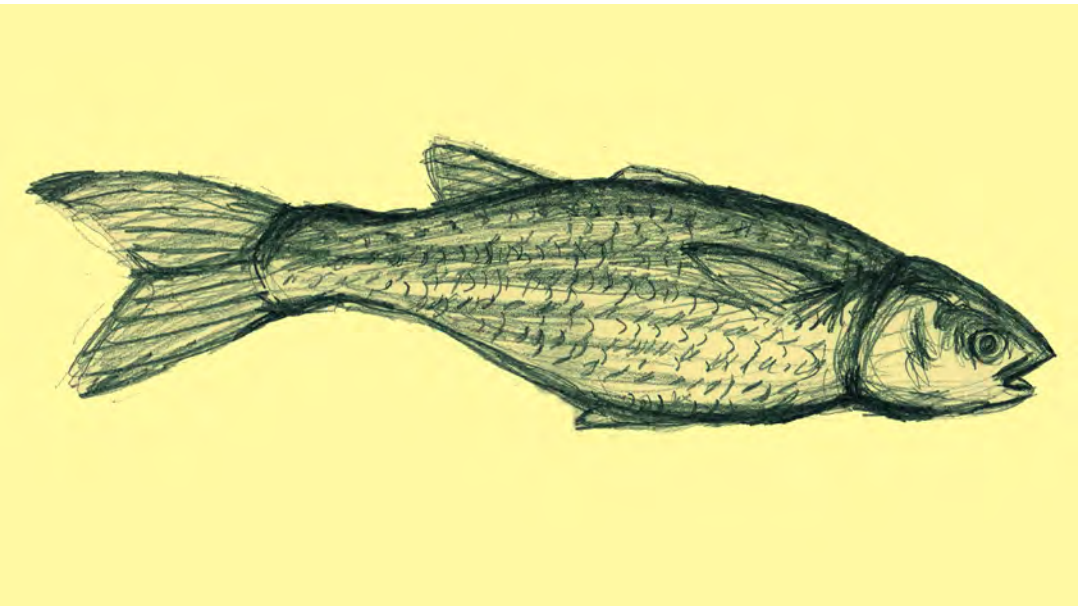
**Madison Ryan**



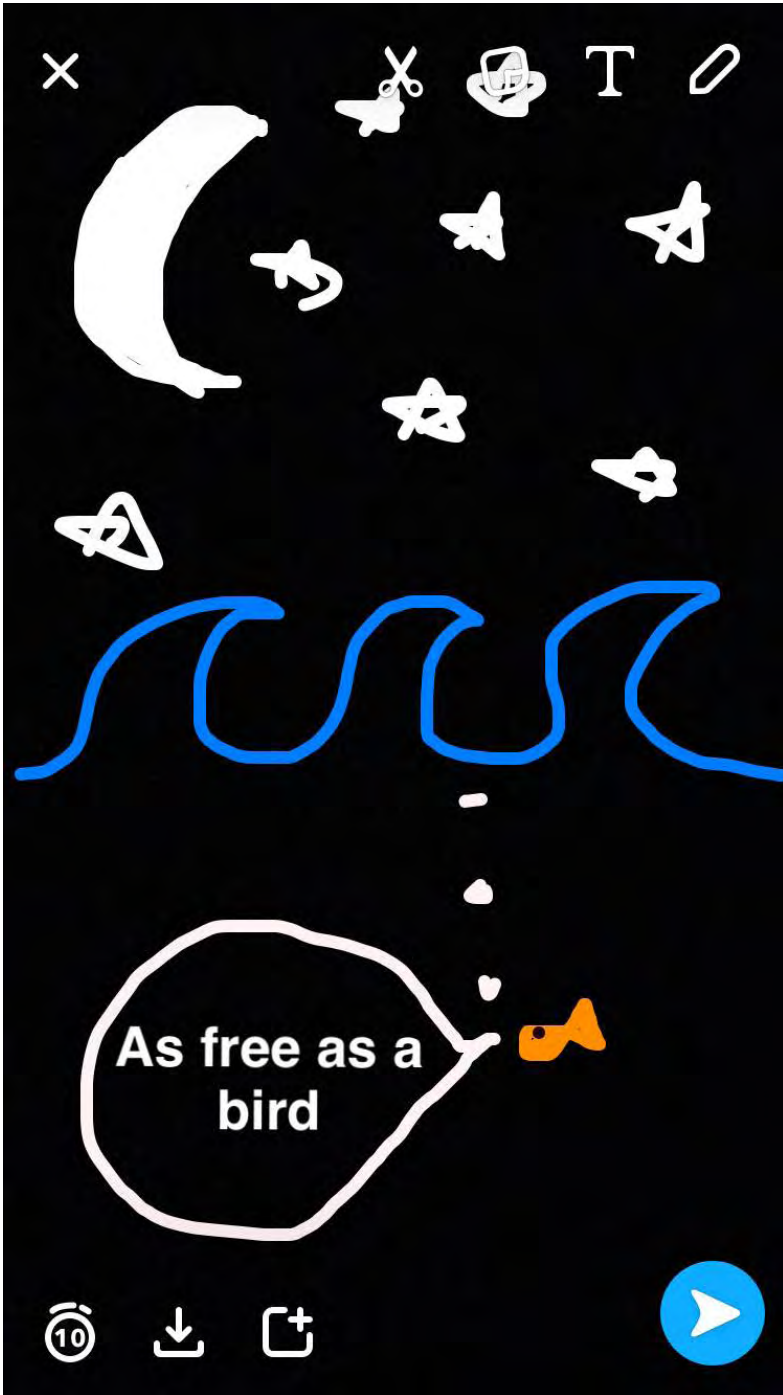
**Viv Taylor**



Danny Zemp

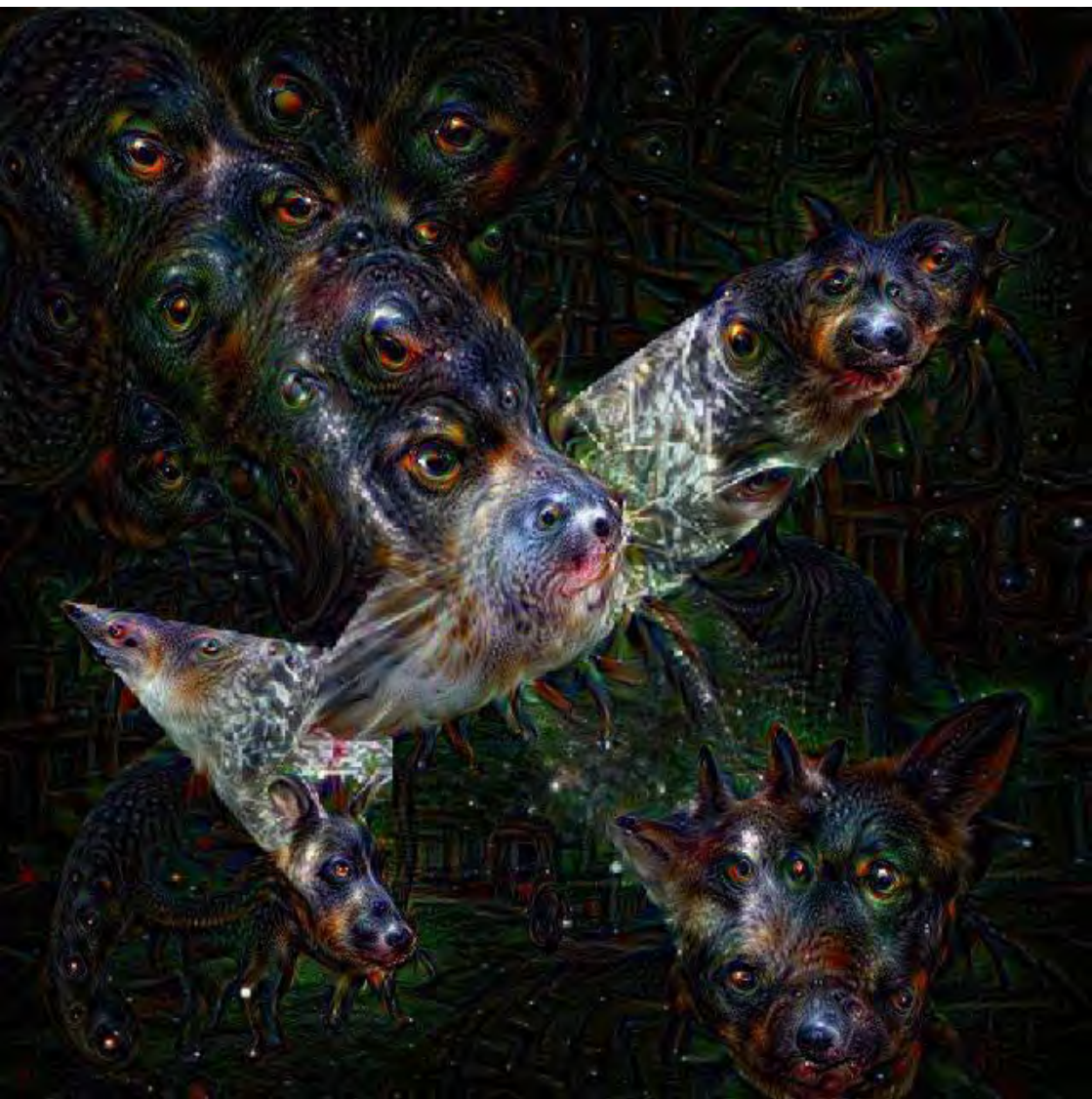


Clea Chiller



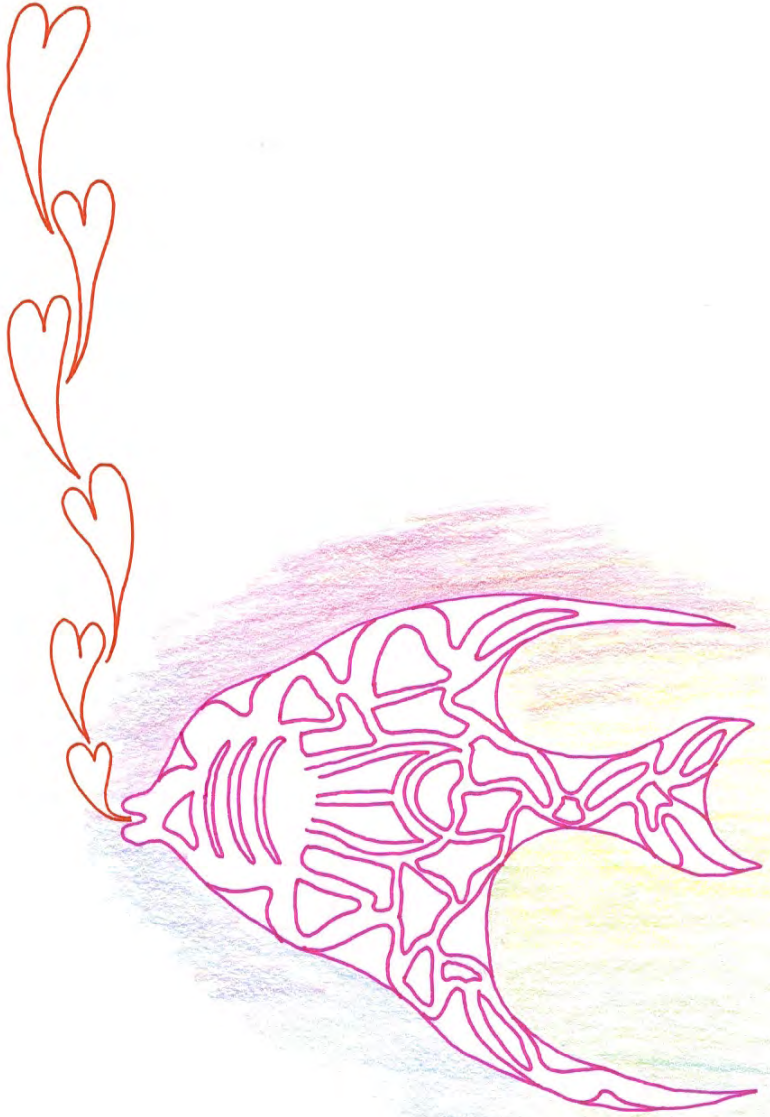


Laura Mitchell



**Scott Patrick Mitchell**

Yolanda Maxwell







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Tell them to bring the refugees kept in offshoredetention here. Tell them your vote depends on this issue. Talk to them about Eaten Fish's work, and the MEAA campaign.

**Keep emailing, keep calling.**

**Kermie Braydon**

