

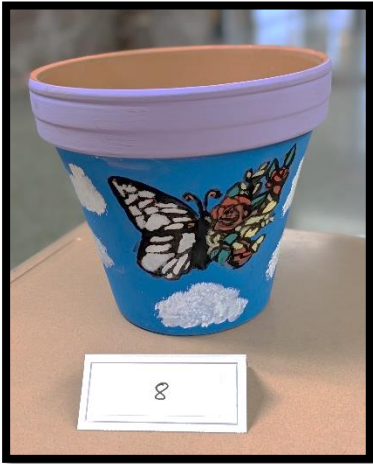
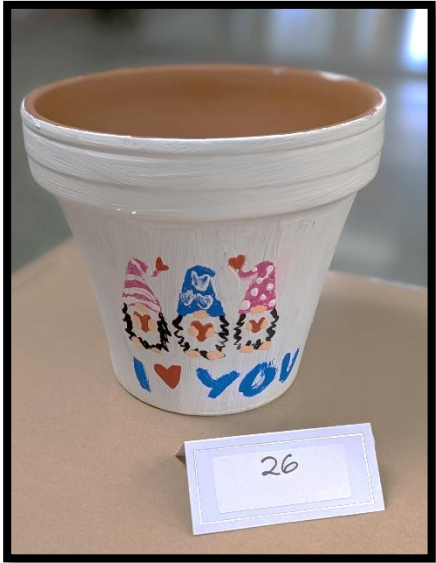
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Flowerpot Decorating Contest
*From Mrs. Nolan,
 Student Government Advisor:*

Congratulations to this year's Flowerpot Decorating Contest winners! They each won a gift card as well as one for their mom. All participants did a great job.

Most Original Idea: Molly Montalbano, #26
Mom's Favorite: Madison Jankowski, #3
Best All Around: Riley McNair, #8

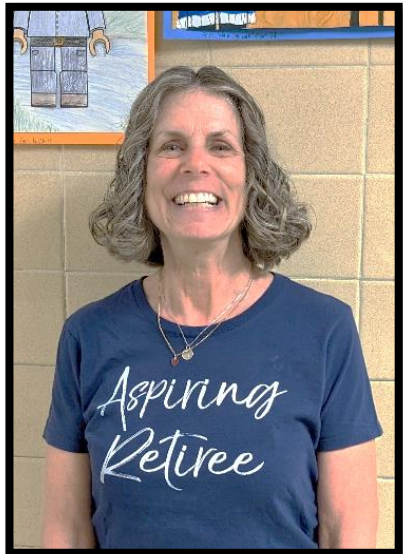
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Enjoy your retirement!
The Redmen Reporter would like to salute these staff members who are retiring after many years of dedication to our East Islip community. Thank you for working hard and making a difference in the lives of so many students. We will miss you!
Congratulations!



Mr. Montuori
Physical Education Teacher
25 years in East Islip
17 years at EIMS
Also Worked at TP
Future plans:
Snowbird in Florida,
boating, backyard
grilling

Mrs. Halton
Special Education Teacher
30 years in East Islip
7 years at EIMS
Also Worked at DO,
HS, ECC, TP, RCK, CES
Future plans:
Travel to all 50 states,
hike, beach, eat
homemade ice cream



Mrs. Connelly
6th Grade Teacher (Math & Science)
24 years in East Islip
18 years at EIMS
Also Worked at RCK
Future plans:
Travel, family time,
reading novels just
for fun!

You will not be hearing
“Sweep, Sweep” in the halls
anymore from
Mr. Brennen.
Our EIMS principal is also retiring!





Mrs. Luby

Teaching Assistant
27 years in East Islip
12 years at EIMS
Also Worked at ECC, CES
Future plans:
Subbing at the MS,
gardening, shopping,
family time



Mrs. Mangiafreno

Paraprofessional
30 years in East Islip
17 years at EIMS
Also Worked at
HS, TP, CES
Future plans:
Travel, enjoy retirement
and grandchildren



Mrs. Doyle

Paraprofessional
34 years in East Islip
30 years at EIMS
Also Worked at JFK
Future plans:
Enjoy life!





Mrs. Solomon

ENL Teacher
 32 years in East Islip
 8 years at EIMS
 Also Worked at ECC,
 CES, RCK, JFK
Future plans:
 Spend time in
 Tampa, FL

Mrs. Mingione

ELA Teacher
 36 years in East Islip
 35 years at EIMS
 Also Worked as a sub K-12
Future plans:
 Enjoying retirement,
 spending time with my
 grandson, children and
 family, reading, outdoor
 activities, yoga and
 travel



Mrs. Stevens

Band Teacher 7/8
 27 years in East Islip
 27 years at EIMS
 Also Worked in Valley Stream
Future plans:
 Travel, kayak, bike,
 perform, read

Mrs. Hennessy

6th Grade Teacher
 25 years in East Islip
 18 years at EIMS
 Also Worked at JFK
Future plans:
 Travel and spend time
 with my 8 grandchildren



Local Sweets By Peyton Zusmer

If you're looking for a sweet treat, you should stop by Coyle's Ice Cream. You can find them at two locations: 75 Howells Road in Bayshore or 509 Main Street in Islip. Coyle's has an interior based off the 1950's, with red booths and checkered floors. They also play 50's and 60's music.

Coyle's was founded in 1985 when they started their ice cream business. Coyle's has now grown to be one of the best ice cream parlors on Long Island.

There are many flavors to pick from such as Holy Cannoli and S'mores. They also have Brooklyn Egg Creams and Malts. Coyle's is a great place to hang out with a friend and eat a sweet treat. I recommend that you give Coyle's a try! Visit their website at:

<https://www.coylesicecream.com>



EIMS EATS By Sullivan Griffin



In today's article we will be reviewing cereal. While cereal is technically not a main lunch item on the menu, it is still available. You can find it on the snack line. There are a bunch of different flavors but unfortunately, they don't taste exactly like the original cereals. They also only have a small amount in the containers, 50 percent product and 50 percent air.

All in all, it's not the best. I will have to give it a rating of 6/10. However, here's what other people think. Matthew Falsone said, "I give it a 3/10, even the milk isn't good." Quinlan Maher said, "It's honestly pretty good, because they all taste good in my opinion, 7/10." So, all in all, cereal isn't horrible, but it's not the best either. Why not try it for yourself?

Movie Review for *Ant-Man and the Wasp: Quantumania* By Griffin Byrne



In *Ant-Man and the Wasp: Quantumania*, we resume the story of the Marvel character Ant-Man, played by Paul Rudd. In the movie, Scott Lang/Ant-Man's daughter Cassie has figured out a way to send a signal into the mysterious molecularly small dimension, the Quantum Realm. But when the signal malfunctions, the heroes get pulled into the dimension and a crazy adventure ensues.

In this other dimension, they find a massive technologically advanced city led by an evil warlord, Kang the Conqueror. The heroes get kidnapped by Kang's goons and are put in a prison where we meet the character M.O.D.O.K., a massive head who sits in a floating chair.

He is a big villain in the Marvel Comics. Kang returns with a mission for Ant-Man and says that they are free to go if they complete it. They complete the mission, but Kang betrays them and puts them back into their cells. They manage to escape, and a massive battle ensues, with the characters nearly losing but, in the end, defeating the villain.

Red Winged Blackbird By Catherine Sause

The Red Winged Blackbird (also known as *Agelaius Phoeniceus*) is a North American bird seen from Alaska to Canada, Mexico and Central America. They can be found in a variety of habitats, such as wetlands, marshes, meadows, and fields. They are migratory, which means they move north when the temperatures rise, and south when they drop. It is a medium sized songbird, but the males of the species are a bit larger than the females. The males have distinctive glossy black feathers and bright red and yellow patches on the wings, which they mostly display during territorial battles. The females are brown and black with streaked underparts. Both male and female birds have sharp, pointed beaks and long, slender tails.



The red-winged blackbird is also omnivorous, meaning they eat a wide variety of plant and animal foods, such as insects, seeds, and fruits. These birds are known to feed in flocks, especially during the non-breeding season. They are socially monogamous, and usually breed in loose flocks. The males defend their territory and commonly mate with multiple females. The females build cup-shaped nests, usually near water, and lay 3-4 eggs per clutch.

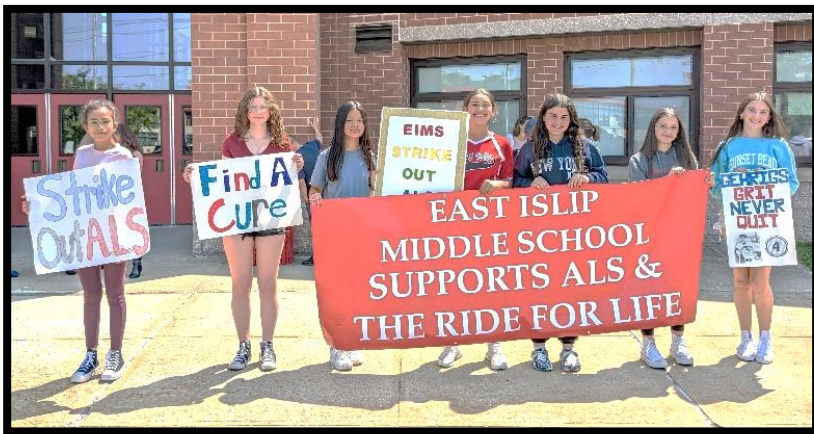
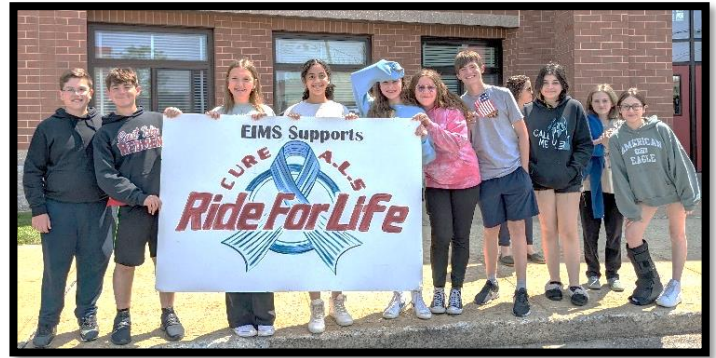
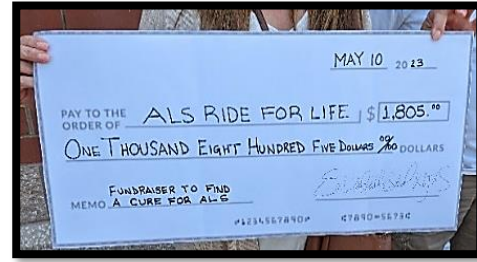
These songbirds are also known for their unique calls, which have a great variety. The male's song is a distinctive, high-pitched trill that is often heard during the breeding season. Ultimately, this songbird is a common and unique bird species, known for its striking plumage and unique vocalizations.

ALS Rides for Life! By Madelyn Halter

On May 10th, the ALS Ride for Life visited the East Islip Middle School as part of their journey across Long Island. They traveled from Riverhead to Manhattan in the span of two weeks. They have presented at approximately 70 schools and we were lucky to be in that group! There was a presentation for EIMS 8th graders back in March.

The support in the crowd was vigorous and cheerful, and it was lots of fun to cheer them on! A fundraiser was hosted by the National Junior Honor Society to try and find a cure for ALS, in which they raised a whopping \$1,805.00! We wish them the best on their journey and hope for a cure in the near future!

For more information, visit their website:
<https://alsrideforlife.org/>



Song Review: “Without You” By Angelina Altamirano

Today I am going to be reviewing Kard’s newest comeback single. “Without You” is their latest digital single after 9 months since their last comeback with their mini album *RE*:. “But who is Kard?” you may be asking. Well, just sit back as I tell you who they are and review their song.

Kard is a co-ed (mixed gender) K-pop group formed by DSP Media, consisting of four members: J.Seph - the main rapper and sub vocalist, BM - the lead dancer, main rapper and sub vocalist, Somin - the main vocalist and visual and last but certainly not least, Jiwoo - the main dancer, lead vocalist, sub rapper and maknae (youngest member). They also have this concept within the group where each member represents a different card. J.Seph represents the ace, BM represents the king, Somin is the black joker and Jiwoo is the color joker. They released three songs pre-debut including “Oh Nana”, “Don’t Recall” and “Rumor” (which are all bops) and debuted officially on July 19, 2017, with their album *Hola Hola*.

Now let’s review “Without You”.

Right off the bat, the song is very upbeat and bright, incorporating Latin and tropical music styles. Towards the end, the song shifts to a soft and subtle melody and then changes back to the original melody of the song. I really like the direction of the production of the song, and I think that the producers did an amazing job putting the song together. The vocals were okay in my opinion and so was the rap. I will say this though - the chorus and post-chorus is very addicting. BM’s verse is amazing. His flow and lyricism are impeccable. The only thing that I had a problem with was line distribution because throughout the whole song I feel like most of the lines were taken by mainly

Somin, meanwhile BM and J.Seph were kind of invisible throughout the track.

I really liked the music video. I liked the whole vibe and aesthetic of it because the set that they used really pulled it all together since it had these tropical looking flowers on it, and they also had CGI butterflies in some of the scenes with Somin. Plus, I absolutely loved Somin’s hair and makeup. What I didn’t like were the outfits since some of the members had outfits that really clashed with the others.



Kard on set for their music video for their new song “Without You”. *Photo credit: DSP Media*

Conclusion: Was the song worth the wait? Yes and no. The song is good, but it wasn’t worth the hype. I really didn’t know what the concept even was since it was confusing, thanks to the members’ outfits. Overall, I think visually Somin owned this era and vocally Jiwoo owned this era.

Overall rating: 7.4/10

I really hoped you enjoyed me rambling on about co-ed K-pop groups for the first part of this article and my review on Kard’s single, “Without You.”

Mega Man 11

By Wyatt Casdia

Mega Man 11 is a platformer/shooter game that requires split second reactions and planning to advance throughout the multiple stages throughout the game. You play as Mega Man, a robot created by Dr. Light to protect the people of the year 20XX from the evil Dr. Wily who has captured Dr. Light's 8 robot masters (Block Man, Acid Man, Blast Man, Fuse Man, Bounce Man, Torch Man, Impact Man, and Tundra Man). Dr. Wily changes their programming and installs the double gear system which can make a robot faster or stronger but only for a short time because the robot will overheat when used for too long.



Dr Wily Picture from Super Smash Bros

After Dr. Wily leaves, Dr. Light gives Mega Man the double gear system and then he sets out on his journey to beat Dr. Wily and save the robot masters. In order to beat a robot master, you must beat its stage which is its level. After you beat a robot master, you get its power known as an ability which can only be used a certain number of times unless you collect weapon energy which increases your weapon gauge for that ability. When you get hit, your energy gauge goes down. If it gets low enough, you can activate double gear which gives you both abilities from the double gear. When your energy gauge reaches zero, you die. The only things that can insta kill you are spikes and falling off the level.

People play Mega Man 11 because it is hard but when beaten is very rewarding and because the music is top of the line. If you are new to the game, you can choose Newcomer Difficulty which gives you infinite

lives and unlimited spike boots and beat calls. Spike boots and beat calls are items purchased in the reactor room where you can spend screws to fabricate items. Items included are E tanks which heals you to full energy, W tanks which fills up your weapon gauge and 1-ups which gives you an extra try in levels. There are also beat calls which will catch you if you fall off the level, spike boots which saves you from an instant death by spikes one time and more. You can also buy permanent upgrades from the reactor which will help you in battle.

The Super Mario Bros. Movie

By Elena Aurrecochea

Do you know the video game *Super Mario Bros*? Well, there is now a movie about it! The setting starts out in Boston, where the two brothers Mario and Luigi live. They end up in the video game, but Luigi gets stuck in a world with the evilest creature in the whole game, Bowser.

Mario gets separated from Luigi. Will he go save his brother? Watch the movie to find out! I saw the movie and thought it was good. I recommend going to see it.



A Definitive Ranking of April K-pop Releases

By Jasmin Law

April 2023 had some incredibly interesting releases in K-pop. From comebacks to collaborations to even advertisements. Here is my personal rating of a few of April's K-pop singles and albums.

– “Zero” - NewJeans (7.4/10)

Coca-Cola Korea recently partnered with Ador girl group NewJeans which included a paid promotional music video, “Zero”. On first listen, I didn't like the song as much as other Bunnies (NewJeans fandom name) had enjoyed it. Although, as I heard the song more often, it started to grow on me a bit. “Zero” is catchy for an ad, but even though it's an ad, I thought the chorus promotion came off a bit too strong. NewJeans went from singing about a simple crush to calling Coca-Cola tasty too fast and it messed with my head. “Zero” is one of my lesser liked NewJeans song but it's just an ad and I know that NewJeans will put out a banger for their official comeback in July.

– *Lovestruck* - Kep1er (8.6/10)

Kep1er (Kepler), a girl group formed from the show *Girls Planet 999*, released their 4th mini album, *Lovestruck*, on April 10th with the title track, “Giddy”. The lead song is cute and fits Kep1er's whole aesthetic, but I don't think it should have been the title track. Not only is “LVLY” my favorite B-side but it is also the best B-side, and that's why I believe they should've made “LVLY” the title track. As for the other B-sides, they were okay but still likable, especially “Why”. The only recommendations I have are “Giddy” and “LVLY”.

– *I've Ive* - IVE (8.8/10)

I realize that I talk badly about title tracks a lot, but “I Am” really is a great title track. It also reminds me of those early 2010s girl power songs, if that makes sense. “Heroine” and “Hypnosis” simply seemed better than “I Am” in my opinion. They were both the best B-sides and in my top 3 tracks, that is how good they were. I've Ive's recommendations are “Cherish”, “Heroine” and “Hypnosis”, but “I Am” isn't a bad track.

– *Perfume* - NCT DoJaeJung (9.3/10)

NCT DoJaeJung is the new NCT unit consisting of main vocalists, Doyoung, Jaehyun, and Jungwoo. I have not stopped repeating “Perfume” since it came out. It is genuinely the perfect title track for the album. Yes, the B-sides are good and catchy, but they can't out beat “Perfume”. From the riffs to the harmonization, “Perfume” is perfect, and I wouldn't ask for anything more or less. However, “Kiss” is one of the best B-side tracks, and “Strawberry Sunday” has admirable vocals with the down low early 2010s love song sound. But out of all the B-sides, “Can We Go Back” is my favorite while “Perfume” is, of course, my all-time favorite off the album. From *Perfume*, I'd recommend “Perfume”, “Strawberry Sunday”, and “Can We Go Back”.

– *Deadlock* - Xdinary Heroes (9.5/10)

Xdinary Heroes title tracks keep progressively getting crazier and crazier, and that includes “Freakin' Bad”, but that isn't a bad thing. It is such a powerful title track, especially when things peak at the bridge. They went insane with this album from the fan chant for “Freakin' Bad” to O.de's rap in “Bicycle” to all the instrumental solos, and of course let's not forget all the mood changes. *Deadlock* starts out hype, sad for “Good enough”, immediately switches to an upbeat rock feel for “Man in the Box”, and for the last song on the album, “Dear H.”, they go back to that sad feeling. Speaking of “Good Enough”, I could go on about this song, but unfortunately, I don't have time. “Good Enough” is their first all English song and it's vocal heavy with no raps – aka a ballad. The song is sad, more so when you know the meaning behind it, and I could cry to it, but it's

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also my favorite off Deadlock. In conclusion, I need 3-5 business days to process the whiplash I got from this masterpiece, and I recommend “Freakin’ Bad”, “Good Enough” and “Man in the Box”.

– *D-Day* - Agust D (9.6/10)

Agust D, also known as Suga of BTS, put out the 3rd album to his ‘Agust D trilogy’, titled *D-Day*. Starting this off with I am an Agust D fan, like barely seconds into “D-Day” and title track, “Haegeum” and they were put into my favorite playlist. His vocals are nice, especially in “SDL” and “People pt. 2”, considering he’s mostly a rapper and some rappers don’t have good vocals. In “People pt. 2”, a calmer song compared to the rest, they gave most of the vocals and riffs to the feature IU, which makes sense seeing how IU is more of a vocalist and Agust D is more of a rapper. It doesn’t exactly matter though because I loved them harmonizing and Agust D’s heavenly vocals. *D-Day*’s hip-hop and R&B sound fits the whole Agust D image, but he’s always worked with that genre. Honestly, I can’t wait to see what he creates next, whether it’s with BTS or solo because he is



such an amazing artist. The whole story behind *D-Day* is special and sad, so I’d recommend watching *Suga: Road to D-Day* on Disney+ and listening to “Haegeum”, “HUH”, and “People pt. 2”.

And on that note, comes the end of my little review. I hope this helped you find a new song or album to listen to. My overall recommendation for this month is “D-Day” from Agust D because it’s special and sounds amazing.

Flo By Ace Green

Have you heard of the newest girl group Flo? Well, if you haven’t then you are definitely missing out! Flo is the newest addition to R&B music and there is a chance they could be the next biggest girl group!

Members

Flo consists of 3 British singers: Stella Quaresma, Jorja Douglas, and Renee Downer. Flo was formed in 2019. They posted TikTok videos of cover songs. Their debut single “Cardboard Box” came out on March 24, 2022. They released their debut EP *The Lead* on July 8, 2022. Critics loved it. *The Lead* can be described as a throwback 90’s and early 2000’s feel. Songs like “Immature” and “Summertime” prove that. There is a slower song “Another Guy” that shows off their vocal ability. The song is also acoustic.

Other Singles

In addition to their EP, Flo has released other songs. Recently, they released the song “Fly Girl” with the legendary Missy Elliot. The track became an instant hit, even gaining the attention of Ariana Grande. In December of 2022, they released their song “Losing You” which is a slow R&B ballad that focuses on their vocals.

Debut Album

While there is no current date yet, Flo said that their debut album will be coming in 2023. Not much else has been said about it but Flo promised the album would be amazing!



APRIL Kindness Challenge:

Bracelets were sold in the cafeteria to raise money for board games to use at lunch. We raised almost \$300!



APRIL - Autism Awareness Month:

During the month of April, Ms. Krawchuk's CORE class sold puzzle pieces for \$1.00 in the cafeteria during all lunch periods. The pieces were displayed in the school for the month of April. All proceeds were donated to the EJ Autism Foundation.



This  Game Came out 12 YEARS AGO!

And no Sonic game has surpassed it since?

By Ryan Geraghty

Sonic games can be bad most of the time.

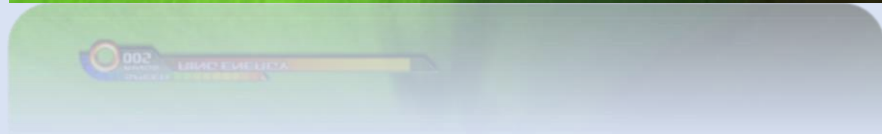
However, in the dumpster fire that is this series, one game has surpassed them all, that game is



The unique gimmick with Sonic Generations is the two styles of gameplay. The first is similar to the old 2D Sonic games of the 90s. The second playstyle is closer to the newer Sonic games.

The game's plot is simple. You must save your friends by going through past levels. These levels include:

- Green Hill
- Chemical Plant
- City Escape



Since this game came out in 2011, the only consoles you can play it on are Xbox360 and PS3. Fortunately, the game is available on Steam for \$20.

In short, Sonic Generations is an essential to any gamer's library. So, what are you waiting for? Go get Sonic Generations on Steam NOW! [This is Sonic Reviews Speeding out!](#)

RuPaul's Drag Race

By Angelina Altamirano

The show *RuPaul's Drag Race* is one of the most important shows in the LGBTQIA+ community, winning 12 Emmy awards and having very diverse casts. The show has queens of different racial backgrounds and gender identities. Some of them are transgender or even straight as we saw in season 14 with Maddy Morphosis. The *Drag Race* franchise has also expanded with franchises in the UK, Canada, Thailand, Spain, and France just to name a few.

Last year, MTV announced season 15 of RuPaul's Drag Race. In the promo, we were introduced to 16 queens competing for the grand prize of \$200,000 which is the largest prize in the show's history. Season 15 was the first season of the show to ever air on MTV with the previous seasons airing on VH1 and Logo. In the double premiere episode, we met queens like Luxx Noir London, Irene Dubois, Anetra, Sugar and Spice (who are the first twins to compete on the show), Marcia Marcia Marcia, Aura Mayari, Loosey Laduca, Sasha Colby and many more talented queens. During the season, there were a lot of unforgettable moments including Anetra's talent show performance, many of the "Lip Sync for Your Life" performances, and the Rusical for this season which was a parody of the musical *Footloose*.

On April 14, 2023, the season 15 finale aired. Here is a quick rundown of what happened.

Many of the queens in the cast had amazing outfits for the finale. However, my favorite finale looks were from Amethyst, Salina, Sugar, Jax and Anetra. There was also a tribute to Bob Mackie, who designed many outfits over the years for Cher and Marilyn Monroe. He won the Giving Us Lifetime Achievement Award and accepted the award onstage with RuPaul.

We also got to see performances from our Top 4 queens, with Anetra performing "Lotus", Sasha Colby performing "Goddess", Luxx Noir London



The season 15 promo picture for RuPaul's Drag Race.
Photo Credit: MTV

performing "It's Giving Fashion" and Mistress Isabelle Brooks performing "Delusion". Also, the new reigning Miss Congeniality is Malaysia Babydoll Foxx who was crowned by her predecessor Kornbread "The Snack" Jeté. Malaysia won a prize \$10,000.

There were more great performances like one from Jinkx Monsoon, winner of *RuPaul's Drag Race* season 5 and *RuPaul's Drag Race All Stars* season 7. She performed "When You're Good to Mama" from the Broadway musical *Chicago* in which Jinkx plays the role of Mama Norton. I also enjoyed Orville Peck, Leland and the season 15 cast, who sang the song "Built on Drag" from the *Wigloose* musical.

We got to the final stretch when RuPaul declared that Anetra and Sasha Colby made it to the finals and Luxx Noir London and Mistress Isabelle Brooks were eliminated.

Sasha and Anetra had to Lip Sync for The Crown. It was then declared that the winner of *RuPaul's Drag Race* season 15 was Sasha Colby! In her winning speech, Sasha said, "This goes to every trans person, past, present, and future because we are not going anywhere." Sasha Colby is the fifth transgender winner of *RuPaul's Drag Race* franchise. The first winner was Kylie Sonique Love on *RuPaul's Drag Race All Stars* season 6.

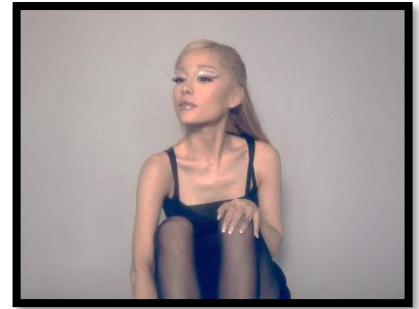
Ariana Grande Updates 3

By Ace Green

Welcome back to another set of Ariana Grande updates. Today, I will be talking about new Ariana Grande info. So let's get started!

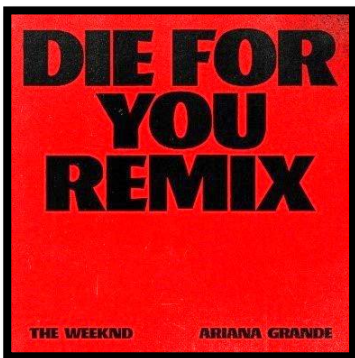
r.e.m. beauty

Ariana Grande's beauty brand r.e.m. beauty has parted from Forma Brands and is now owned by Ariana. The reason for the departure is due to Forma going bankrupt. Ariana said that there were delays because of the departure and that they are settling into this new version. She did address though that there are many things to come including foundation. To celebrate 4 years of her 5th studio album, *thank u next*, she released a limited edition eyeshadow palette. It was exclusively for Valentine's Day. The collection received a lot of promotion on TikTok. The brand also dropped at Sephora stores.



New Music

Recently Ariana Grande released her first song in over a year. The song was a remix to The Weeknd's song "Die For You". It went #1 on the Billboard 100 chart making her the female artist with the most #1 songs this decade. Fans have been begging for new music from the songstress. Ariana has not been releasing music because she is very busy filming the movie *Wicked* where she will be playing Glinda. Although she has not released music recently, fans speculate her 7th album will drop in 2024.



Unreleased Music

Recently many unreleased songs made by Ariana have been leaked. Some songs include "He Had it Coming", "Sweet Dreams" and "Like That". More recently some fans paid an anonymous leaker \$3,000 for her unreleased "pov" music video. Ariana addressed the leaks in a Q&A for r.e.m. beauty. She said, "You've stolen all of my unreleased music its horrible". Just because your favorite artist is not releasing music at that moment does not give you a right to leak their unreleased stuff. We should respect everyone's privacy.

Wicked

The main reason Ariana Grande has been very quiet recently is because she is hard at work filming *Wicked*. Director Jon M Chu announced that the film, which was planned for a Christmas 2024 release, will instead be released sooner on Thanksgiving 2024! Photos from the set have been revealed showing her in a pink fairytale-like dress as well as some photos with her wearing blue. Blue and pink are Glinda's signature colors in *Wicked*. A video was revealed showing Ariana in character as Glinda singing "No One Mourns the Wicked". Ariana is starring alongside Cynthia Erivo who will be playing Elphaba. Chu also gave a first look at both of them online showing stills of Ariana as Glinda going up stairs and Cynthia as Elphaba holding a broomstick.



Ariana Grande Responds to Haters and Deletes Instagram Post

Recently Ariana has responded to all those commenting about her body and her looks. She posted a video on TikTok explaining that you should never speak about someone's body. She also said you never know what someone is going through and that everyone has a different types of health issues. She also recently archived over 4000 of her Instagram posts. Some fans think Ariana is teasing a new era while some believe that she is doing this for herself and her own well-being. What do you think?

Double Chocolate Banana Bread Recipe

By Cailin Melody *Photo by Cailin Melody*

Ingredients:

- 1 cup flour
- ½ cup cocoa powder
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon of salt
- ¼ cup butter melted and slightly cooled
- ¼ cup coconut oil
- ¾ cup sugar
- 1 large egg, room temp
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 1 cup chocolate chips



Instructions:

- Preheat the oven to 350F. Spray a 9x5 inch loaf pan with cooking spray. Set aside.
- In a bowl, mix together the flour, cocoa powder, baking soda and salt. Set aside.
- In a bowl mash banana with a fork. Stir in melted butter and coconut oil and mix until combined. Add sugar, egg, and vanilla until smooth.
- Combine dry ingredients into wet. Add chocolate chips leaving some to pour on top.
- Pour into loaf pan. Bake for 55-60 minutes.
- Cool for 15 minutes and enjoy!

Thoughts: I thought this was really good, better than normal banana bread! My parents also really liked it.

NOTE: I used an 8x8 inch square glass baking dish. It worked fine for me. You can do that if you don't have a loaf pan.

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### More photos from the Flowerpot Decorating Contest

*Photos by Mrs. Avella*





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Answers to anime crossword on p. 19

- 1 hypnosismic
- 2 naruto
- 3 bluelock
- 4 saikik
- 5 fruitsbasket
- 6 spyxfamily
- 7 owarinoseraph
- 8 junjiitomaniac
- 9 bleach
- 10 komicantcommunicated

ANSWERS to Summer Crossword on p. 20

#### ACROSS

2. SUNSCREEN
5. BEACH
6. ICEPOP
8. ICECREAM

#### DOWN

1. SUN
3. SANDCASTLE
4. SNOWCONE
7. POOL

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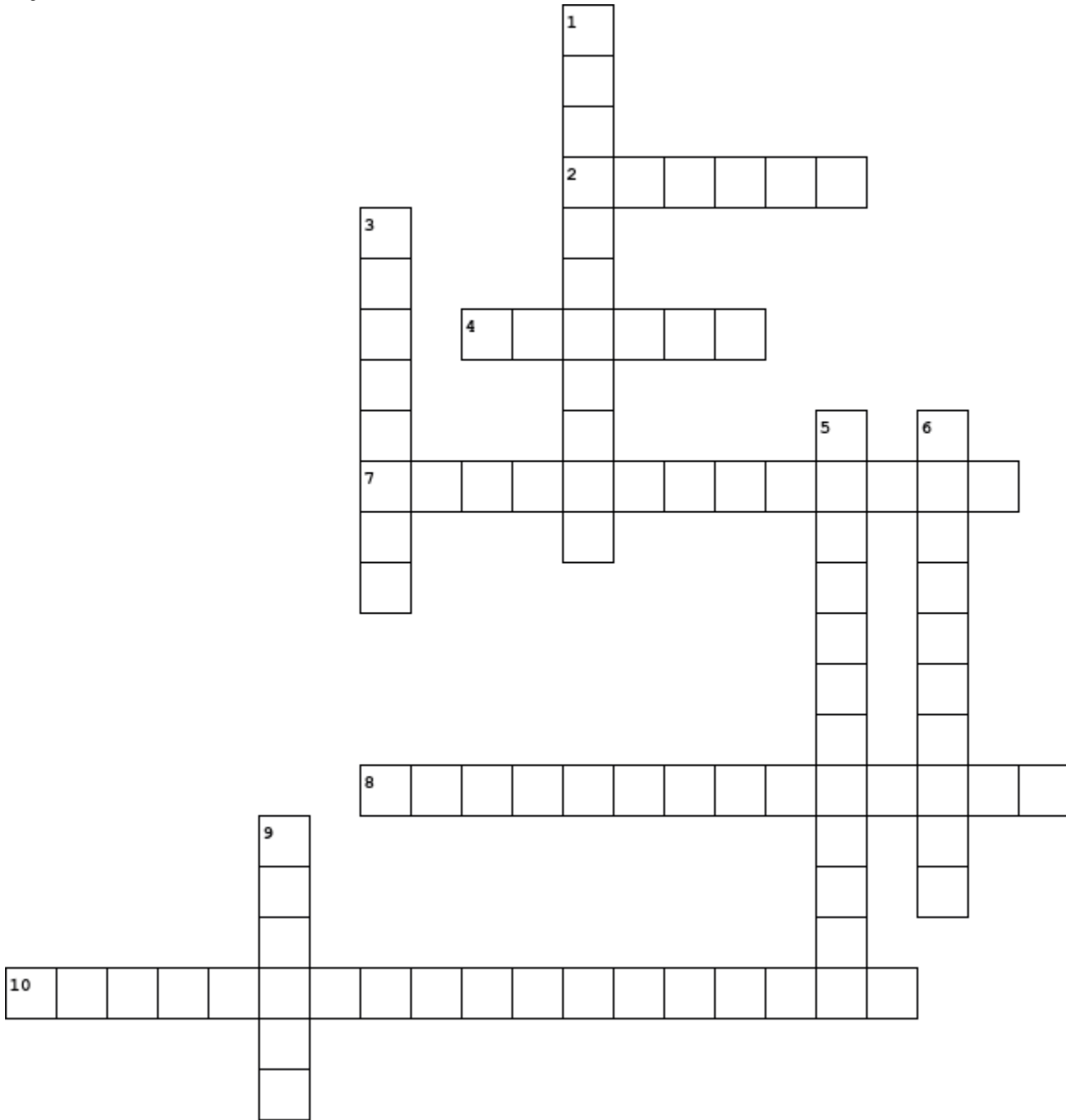
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# anime crossword puzzle!

By Brianna DiMaria



## Across

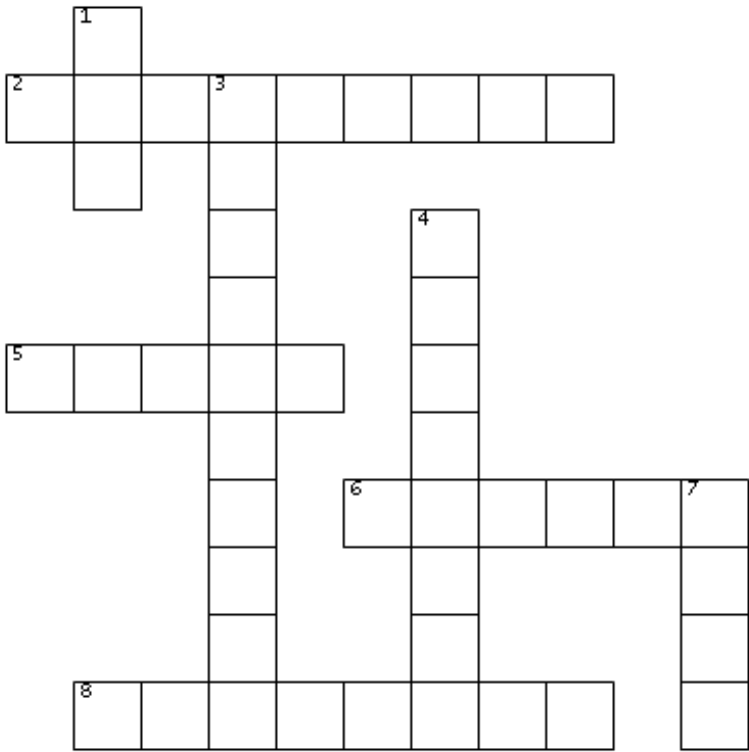
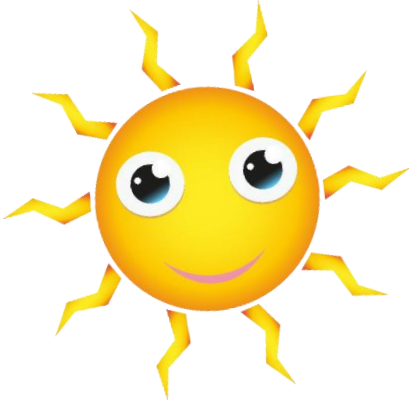
- 2. kids who try to become ninjas
- 4. pink hair psychic boy
- 7. orphans and vampire
- 8. disturbing Japanese tales
- 10. a girl who can't communicate

## Down

- 1. rap battles
- 3. high school soccer players
- 5. Chinese horoscopes
- 6. assassin mom
- 9. laundry ingredient!!

# Summer Crossword

By Aubrey Hilbert



**ACROSS**

- 2. protecting you from the sun
- 5. has A LOT of sand and water
- 6. flavored frozen water
- 8. a cool treat to eat by the pool

**DOWN**

- 1. ball of fire in the sky
- 3. something you make in the sand
- 4. ice flavored with syrup
- 7. BIG bucket of water