

"Write or Die" : Zine Project

This summer (2011) beginning in July, The Papyrus Collective will begin working on our first of (what we intend to be) a periodic series of zines entitled, "Write or Die".

While not a popular mainstream medium, you'll find zines to be a uniquely unconventional form of literary expression, generally fun to read, and aesthetically appealing to see. For those of you unfamiliar with zines, I can best describe these self-manufactured mini books, pamphlets, comics, magaZINES, as a broad yet eclectic medium available to every misfit, rabble rouser, vegan, activist, conscious prisoner and revolutionary of every social demographic --- a kind of community with its very own popularity and culture.

With little concern for publishing, technology, money, experience, and the limitations otherwise, with as little as a pen, an old manual typewriter, paper, and a photocopier (nothing sophisticated or commercial) it's an immediate and inexpensive operation for the most part. It's what defines "Guerilla Publishing". There are zines written by people from every walk of life, written about any/everything you can imagine, stemming from different places and circumstances. Those of us involved in this project, recognize "write or die" as an opportunity to represent The Papyrus Collective as well as the circumstances, consciousness, and humanity of other like-minded men and women on death rows around the globe.

"Write or Die" will be available at no cost upon written or email request or from the links found in our forum at DRI.

This series will feature several contributing writers and artists, will exhibit a creative mixture of art, poetry, biographical profiles, and have a wide range of various articles. Both Papyrus Collective & DeathRowInmate.org have requested the collaboration and support of Mr. Anthony Rayson of The South Chicago ABC Zine Distro to print, catalog, table, and distribute our "write or die" series.

Any questions you have regarding information or participation / support for these efforts, please drop me a line or an email.

Thank you,

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