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# poetic objects

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STROKING (MY)  
IMAGINARY DICK

A poetic performance piece of  
longing for the unattainable...  
and a triumphant return to my  
own imaginary dick.

September 2024  
Embossed Juniperus ashei wood  
13 pieces  
1 essay  
5-8 inches  
Varying girth



09/29/2024





Stroking(My) Imaginary Dick (Processes + Collection)





Stroking (My) Imaginary Dick  
ATA WINDOW GALLERY, San Francisco, CA





CIELO AZUL,  
CIELO NUBLADO

A new New Testament of the  
liberation of the divorced woman  
in her pursuit of pleasure and  
power.

Created from erasure and a daily  
practice of aeromancy for a  
month.

August 2024  
JW New Testament newspaper  
Oil pastel  
4 sheets  
21 poems  
18" x 22"

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## SHITTY TIMES MANUSCRIPT

The worst of the lowest parts of  
life typed onto toilet paper as a  
healing art performance.

Goal: put in a gallery bathroom  
and have people use, flush, and  
move on.

July 2023

Regio toilet paper

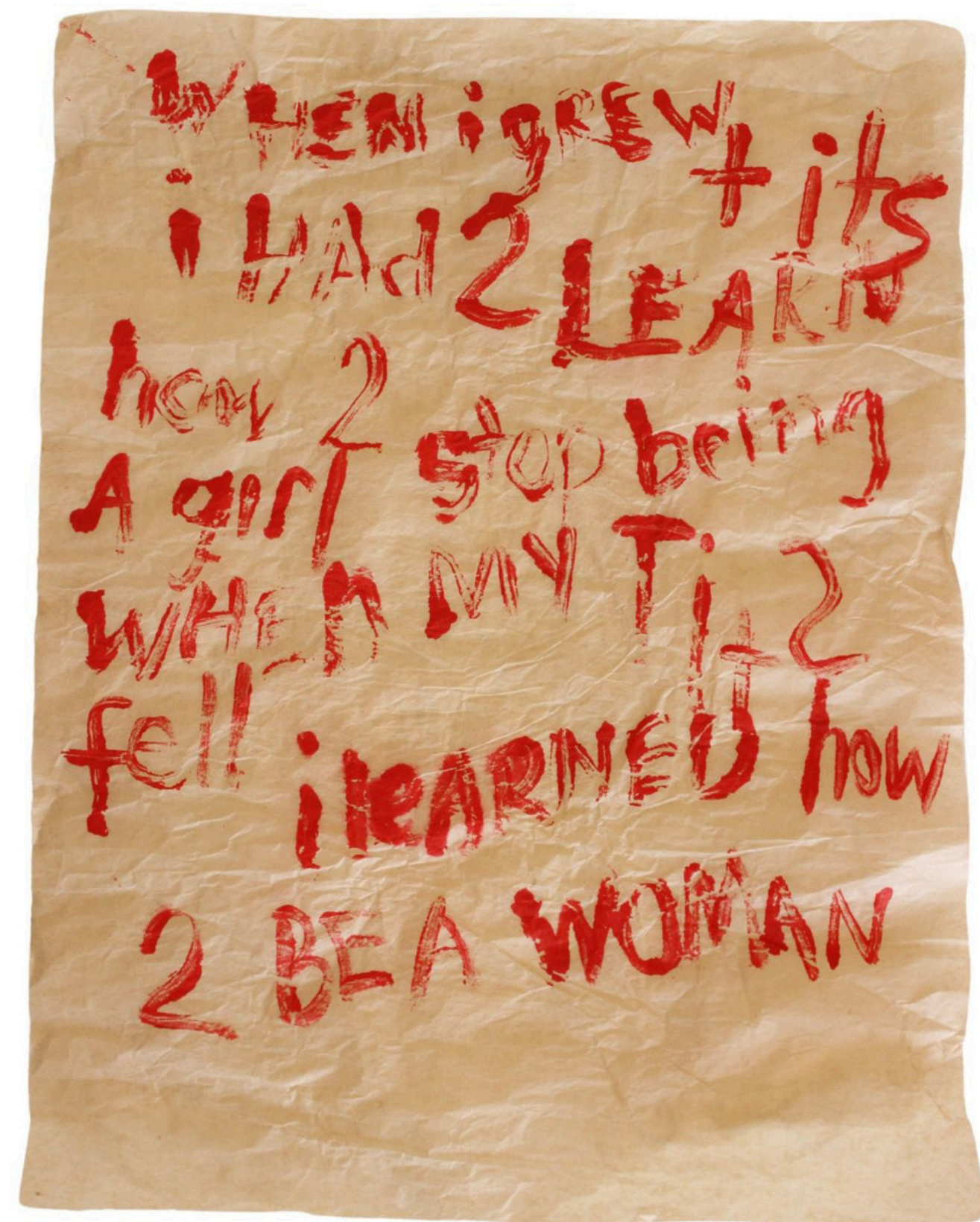
Typewriter

45 page google docs manuscript

36 poems







Saggy Masas, 2024, tortilla paper, 15" x 17.5"



I saved M.E.  
2023  
plastic bag,  
permanent marker,  
typewritten poem  
ft. in Bullshit Lit





# installation

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## COCA-COLA TRASH POEMS

Is it trash? Is it a poem? Is it art?

A poetified object for the streets  
written in Spanish with the  
intention to engage all kinds of  
audiences.

2023

Found Coca-Cola cans,  
Spray paint, permanent marker,  
Concrete  
1 poem  
Ongoing project (45 cans so far)



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OAXACA DE  
JUÁREZ, MÉXICO

poetry is trash



CIUDAD DE  
MÉXICO, MÉXICO

trash is poetry





# "books"

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uenas toma un segundo para respirar cosas buenas eres la persona que



A close-up photograph of a white, multi-pointed paper star or spinner. The points are labeled with various phrases in black and red ink. The labels include "MORNING PRAYER", "LONGUE CLOUD", "LONER BONER", "NIGHT BLOOMING", "SLIME TUBE", and "STRADDER HOOD". The star is set against a background of a concrete surface with some graffiti.



## BOOTY SNATCHER 2000 I COME HOME ALONE.

A container for 8 masturbation  
poems in which reader must stick  
fingers in pleasure in order to  
activate the "book."

July 2024

Paper

Typewriter

Copy machine

8 poems

Corresponding newsletter  
on Poetry Slut Rodeo





SAGGY TITS IS JUST A  
WAY TO SAY REMEMBER  
WHEN.

The poetry portion of the Saggy  
Tit experience which included an  
interchangeable filter, video  
performance and texts.

June 2024

Paper

Stamps

Acetate

Cardboard

Corresponding newsletter  
on Poetry Slut Rodeo





## NECKLACE POEMS

Poems on necklaces to wear,  
embody or hang from your  
bookshelf. Together, all  
necklaces form a collection of  
haiku.

June 2023

Beads

Fishing wire

Gold plated clasps

9 haiku

between 15-60 inches





# writing

## Works Featured In:

Divorce Slut. Womanwood 3  
Trash Poetics Bin 1. Poetry Society of NY  
Trash Poetics Bin 2. Poetry Society of NY  
Unsexed but well-fed. Taco Bell Quarterly  
Sin coger, mucho comer. Taco Bell Quarterly  
It's worth it, you worm. Don't Submit  
Mid afternoon and the sky goes dark. SWAMP  
somewhere/nowhere. SWAMP  
How to Kill a Country Girl's Ego. Roi Fainéant  
The Year of my Ankles. Sage Cigarettes  
Michael's Song. Bullshit Lit Anthology

Cielo de mis pensamientos. DISONARE  
Un poema para mi vecino. DISONARE  
A Maiden's Name. DISONARE  
The Other Woman. NYC Zine Club  
Homecoming (film). The Poetic Lens  
Saggy Masas. No Issue  
PSA Panties. Currant Jam  
Saggy Tits, a Reflection. Adult Groceries  
Coca-Cola Trash Poems. IILT 0003  
Shitty Times Toilet Paper. IILT 0003  
I did it for M.E./Mother Earth. Bullshit Lit  
Necklace Poetry. Tiny Spoon

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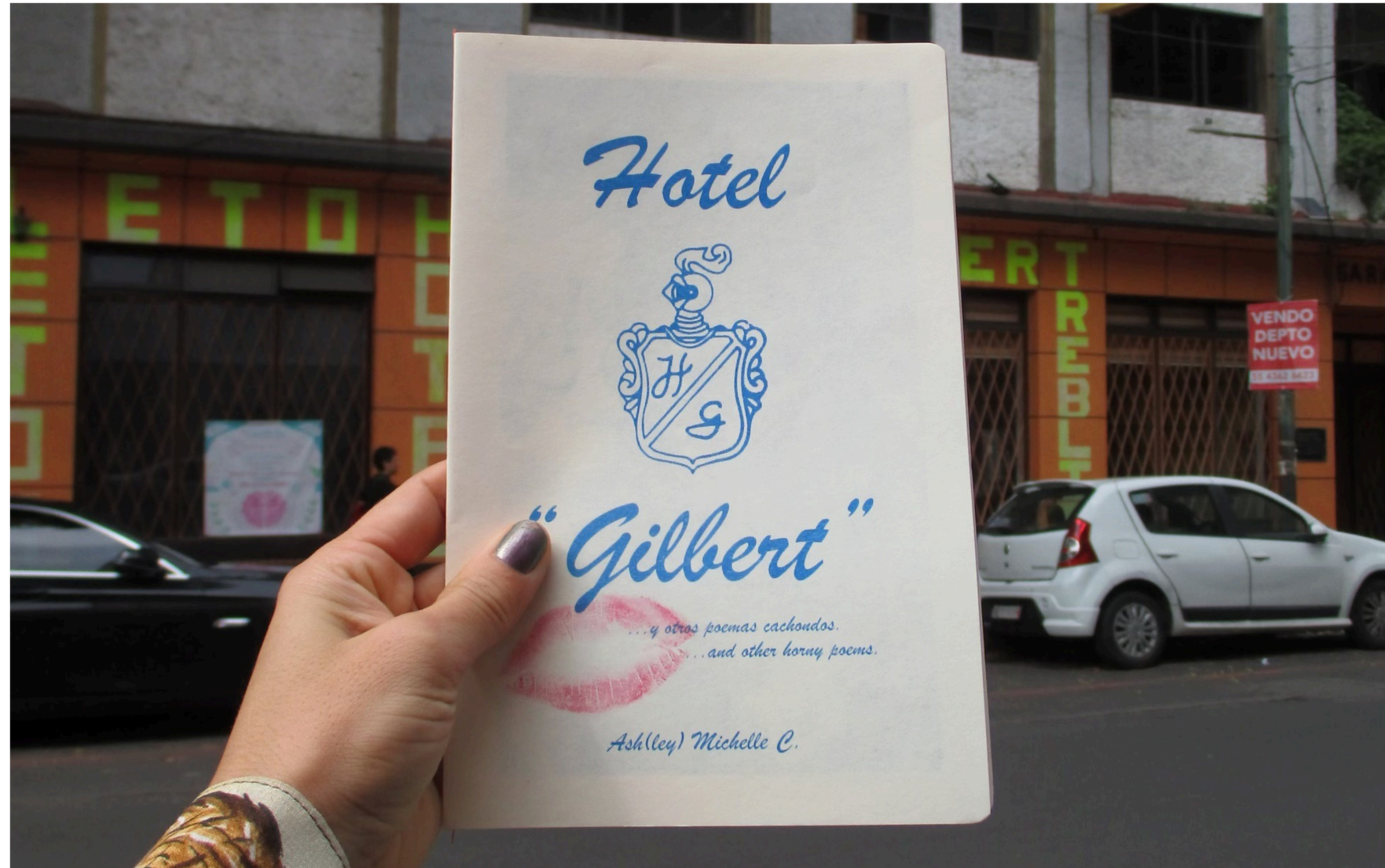


## HOTEL GILBERT & OTHER HORNY POEMS

Hotel Gilbert & Other Horny Poems is a lascivious collection of poetry inspired by a week-long stay in a sex hotel in Mexico City.

Through sensual processes of awareness, spontaneous and passionate acts of creation, and restrictions of time, Hotel Gilbert became the site and activator of an embodied poetic performance—writing on the sex sofa, design on the LED illuminated bed, downtime in the jacuzzi.

The printed books were left in the hotel lobby, and the address shared on social media, to bring the public to Gilbert as a final act in the site-specific activation of performative poetry.





# recent work







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