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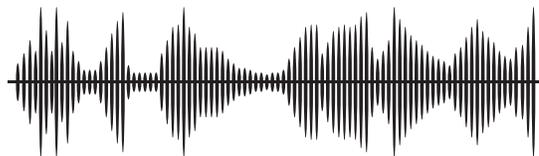
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"I had a dream last night about a giant octopus. Hear me out..."

This week on the Dirty Soap Podcast, we open up with a dream that's way too long and scattered... and then we go into dream interpretations, the number 5, music artist struggles and some other random stuff.

Click the mic or sound wave below to listen.



BTA THIS WEEK



SHE'S DOING IT, GUYS

I think so far, this has been my most productive week... at least since I started The DS.

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This will be my third week of consistency and I am here for it. I finally put in my submission for NPR's Tiny Desk Contest *and* I put in my artist info for a grant I reeeeeally want. All this writing I've been doing lately has been giving my brain a healthy exercise routine which is really helping me get into the groove of being productive.

In the midst of all this productivity, I'm also trying my hardest to start my vlog. What's taking me so long? I think the main problem has been how to upload my content without taking up like 150 GB of storage on my laptop. Don't worry, though; I'll figure it out. Just subscribe to my YouTube turn on post notifications and look out for that vlog!

Peep this: I'm a vlogger now, y'all! My day-to-day life will now be put on display for all to see... and it's not so scary after all.

THE VLOG

I GUESS I'M A VLOGGER NOW???

As a Black girl who watches other Black girl vlogs, I really never thought about how influential another person's day-to-day life and vulnerability can be. I also never thought I'd be someone who watches vlogs. I *really* never thought I'd be someone who creates vlogs, being that I don't normally open up to people so quickly, especially through social media.

The other day, my good friend Maury asked me what it's been like filming my vlog. I told him it's been... interesting. Having to carry around a camera and actually remembering to film yourself in every vlog-worthy situation is a weird experience in itself. It can get especially uncomfortable when you want to pull out your camera and film yourself in public. Let's face it; people are just so nosey and curious.

I gotta say, though... the part I enjoy most about vlogging is getting to tell my own story. In the age of social media, It's really important to me to be able to have

control over the things I put out. Also, keeping in mind that I'm entering the very controlling, exceedingly demanding music industry, I value a certain level of freedom as it relates to my public image.

I can have 10 views on a video, but as my manager and I always say, "you never know who's watching." In this instance, I don't just mean this in a business sense. You really never know who can benefit from or be inspired by your life story. After all, I was inspired to vlog by another Black woman vlogger. If I can just touch even one person's soul, I'm that much more satisfied.



Look out for my weekly vlogs on my YouTube Channel. Just search '**Bria The Artist**', but be sure to click on the channel, not the topic. Turn on post notifications so you're aware of all my vlog uploads and future content.

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THIS OR THAT

Let's play a game, shall we?
Take your pick and tally up your results

Survive flight 828 or Survive Squid Game

Be the best, but everyone thinks you're the worst or Be the worst, but everyone thinks you're the best

Start life all over again from the 9th grade or Have mandatory homework for the rest of your life

Have the power of flight or Have the power of teleportation

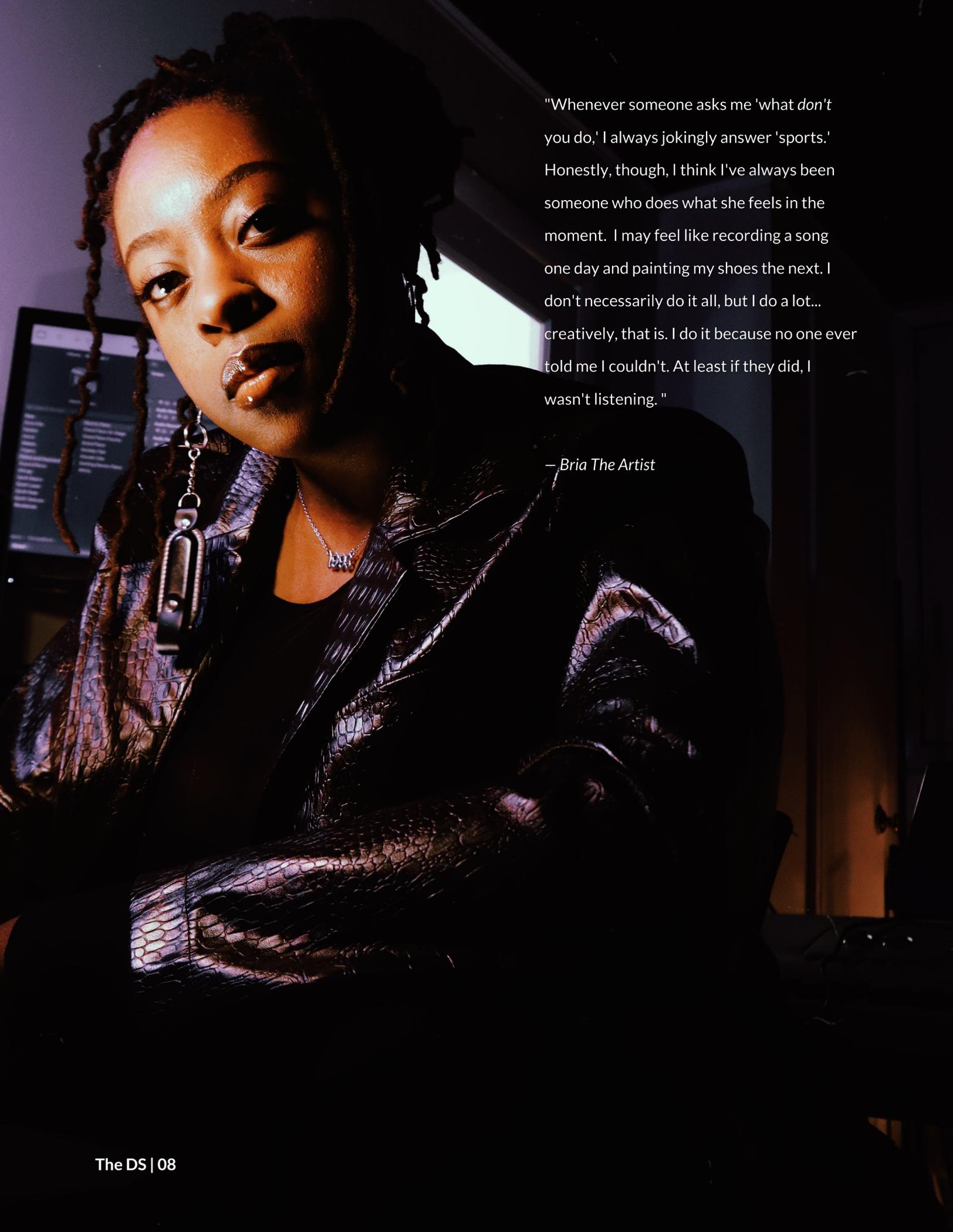
Have to pee pee every 10 mins or Have to yawn every 10 seconds

Be a famous singer or Be a famous painter

Live in NY or Live in LA

Save the Earth or Choose when and how you die





"Whenever someone asks me 'what *don't* you do,' I always jokingly answer 'sports.' Honestly, though, I think I've always been someone who does what she feels in the moment. I may feel like recording a song one day and painting my shoes the next. I don't necessarily do it all, but I do a lot... creatively, that is. I do it because no one ever told me I couldn't. At least if they did, I wasn't listening."

— *Bria The Artist*

ENTER THE CHAT

I love this week's Dirty Soap Magazine and the vulnerability. Its giving healed..My favorite line is "It's a rare thing for me to be in a neutral state of being where I don't actively yearn for a romantic relationship. That said... that time is now.' I. LOVE. IT. Please keep writing. 😊😊😊

Em

Love the 2nd issue! Being a SBMF myself, it's hard to put my fears and insecurities aside to allow myself to receive those blessings. You're not alone!

Gyal

This is the page where members of the Bri-dimensional Universe can have their comments about the previous issue of The DS featured. Write your comment in the Spaceship Chatroom to see your username and comment in next week's issue!

Hey, do you guys read this part of the magazine, or are you normal? I mean, I suppose if you didn't I could say anything I want and no one would ever know... I had a dream about a giant octopus last night. I ate a whole pizza today. Wait... what if you *are* reading this? Stop invading my privacy!

Come back next week for another issue of The DS. Submit your comments in the **Spaceship Chatroom** for a chance to be featured in next week's "Enter the Chat" page. Only in The DS.



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