

I PUBLISHED AN ESSAY ABOUT JACLYN HILL & KATHLEEN LIGHTS! | Hannah Louise Poston | MY NO-BUY YEAR

my name is Hannah and this is my know by year this isn't my usual content so I'm uploading it as a bonus video as most of you know my regular uploads are every Sunday and Wednesday in case this is your first time watching one of my videos I'm going to tell you a little bit about my channel I've started this channel at the beginning of 2018 in conjunction with my year-long project the project is that I'm not buying anything this year no makeup no skincare no clothing and no home wares it's an attempt to recover from what I would call a mild but persistent and very troubling addiction to shopping for those things I have struggled with overspending for my entire adult life but it really ramped up and took control over me after the 2016 election when I was in a dark place emotionally and therefore at peak vulnerability now I'm trying to shake it off and get my life back hence the project hence the channel etc so most of my videos are about my know by year and they're also about my love of makeup and skincare and fashion and how I'm slowly learning to be engaged in the beauty community without becoming an out-of-control uber consumer YouTube is not my job in fact as of this filming my channel isn't even monetized yet I have a couple of jobs I teach dance I'm a dancer of Argentine tango I design clothing for women who dance Argentine tango and I'm also a writer I'll put some links to my tango performances my tango clothes and my writing website down below in case you're curious so I write poetry and essays (you can buy this type of paper here - [cheap essay writing service usa](#)) and I wanted to make a dedicated video about my most recent publication because it's an essay about YouTube it's about the YouTube beauty community it's not about my channel in fact the essay doesn't even mention that I have a channel but it's about my experience as a viewer of YouTube last September when Jacqueline Hill and Kathleen lights got together for a collaboration and a very specific kind drama unfolded if you follow the YouTube beauty community like I do and if you watch YouTube videos to escape from your worries and especially if you ever wonder about the ethics of that kind of escapism I think you might really enjoy the essay I'm not going to summarize or explain the essay here because the thing that happened and the multi-faceted way that our community responded to it and the questions that that brought up for me questions about Beauty questions about language questions about my work as an artist those things are all complex and they deserve to be handled in a complex way that's why I chose to explore them in an essay but I do want to provide a bit of context in case you are here from the beauty world and you aren't a habitual reader of creative nonfiction there's so much writing on the internet that takes the form of an opinion piece meaning that almost everything that we click through to read is a piece of writing that makes an argument it's trying to convince us to think either one way or think another way about an issue and to me that is not the work of a literary essay an essay is about questions rather than answers so for this essay I tried to gather together all of the questions and hold them up and expose them one by one I just pulled rainer maria rilke letters to a young poet off of my bookshelf and i'm gonna read you a relevant quote my absolute favorite quote from this entire volume okay so Rilke says do not now seek the answers which cannot be given to you because you would not know how to lift them and the point is to live everything live the questions now perhaps you will then gradually without noticing it live along some distant day into the answer so if you're here from the world of beauty and you decide to read the essay please remember that I'm not trying to convince anyone of

anything I'm not trying to change people's minds I'm just trying to grow people's minds and to help them live more in the questions and I'm trying to live more in the questions myself if you hear from the literary world and this is your first time watching YouTube all I can say is welcome to the party the essay is called the news from the world of beauty and it's available to read either online or in print in the Virginia quarterly review this is the current issue of the Virginia quarterly review and I highly recommend actually subscribing to this journal its quarterly which means it only comes four times a year and it's beautifully curated and beautifully printed I'm going to show you my essay look look at that illustration just look at it so if you love contemporary writing I highly recommend vqr but you can also read the essay online obviously I will paste the link down below that is it thank you so much for watching I hope you enjoy the essay and it goes without saying that I would love to hear what you think in the comment section down below and whether you read the essay or don't read the essay don't forget to take extra good care of yourself this week so that you can be the most effective version of yourself as you do your work you [Music]