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CURRENT PAGE: Bahia Lopez Bay in Nahuel Huapi Lake near Bariloche, Argentina

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Alumni Profile



7th grade
 Kindergarten
 Cooking Class
 Seoul, South
 Korea & South
 Africa, Titiskarma
 program road
 trip



After my commencement from Ramapo, the post-graduation plan for graduate school or to step into the workforce was not immediately clear. I thought, I opted to leave home to teach English at a high school, making friends across the tip of Africa, led to a year of teaching English to adorable Kindergarten students in South Africa. These friends, across the tip of Africa, led to a year of teaching English to adorable Kindergarten students in South Africa. I applied for and was accepted to the prestigious Japan Exchange and Teaching (JET) program, which led to a year of teaching English in Japan.

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Reflections from Abroad



It is a myth that science students cannot study abroad due to their lack of enough planning and motivation to do so. You can even pursue a program in the United States.

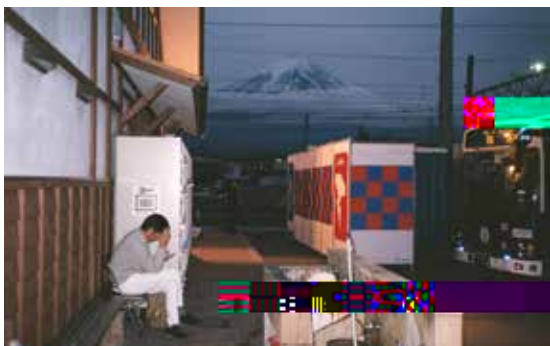
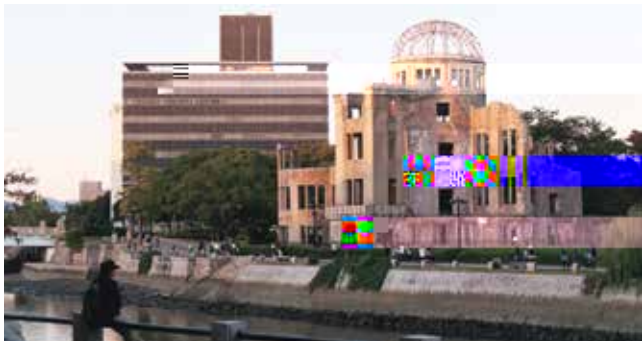
I am majoring in chemistry to obtain a career in teaching and researching. I decided to take a class or program, I decided to take the Roukema Center of International Studies.

There is a rich array of programs available. I earned the 2015 Arcadia University and Garmelle Le Vin Memorial Research

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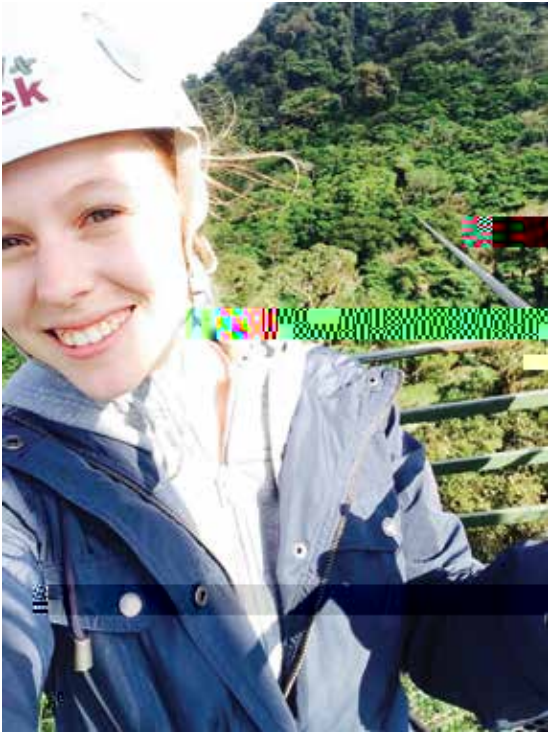


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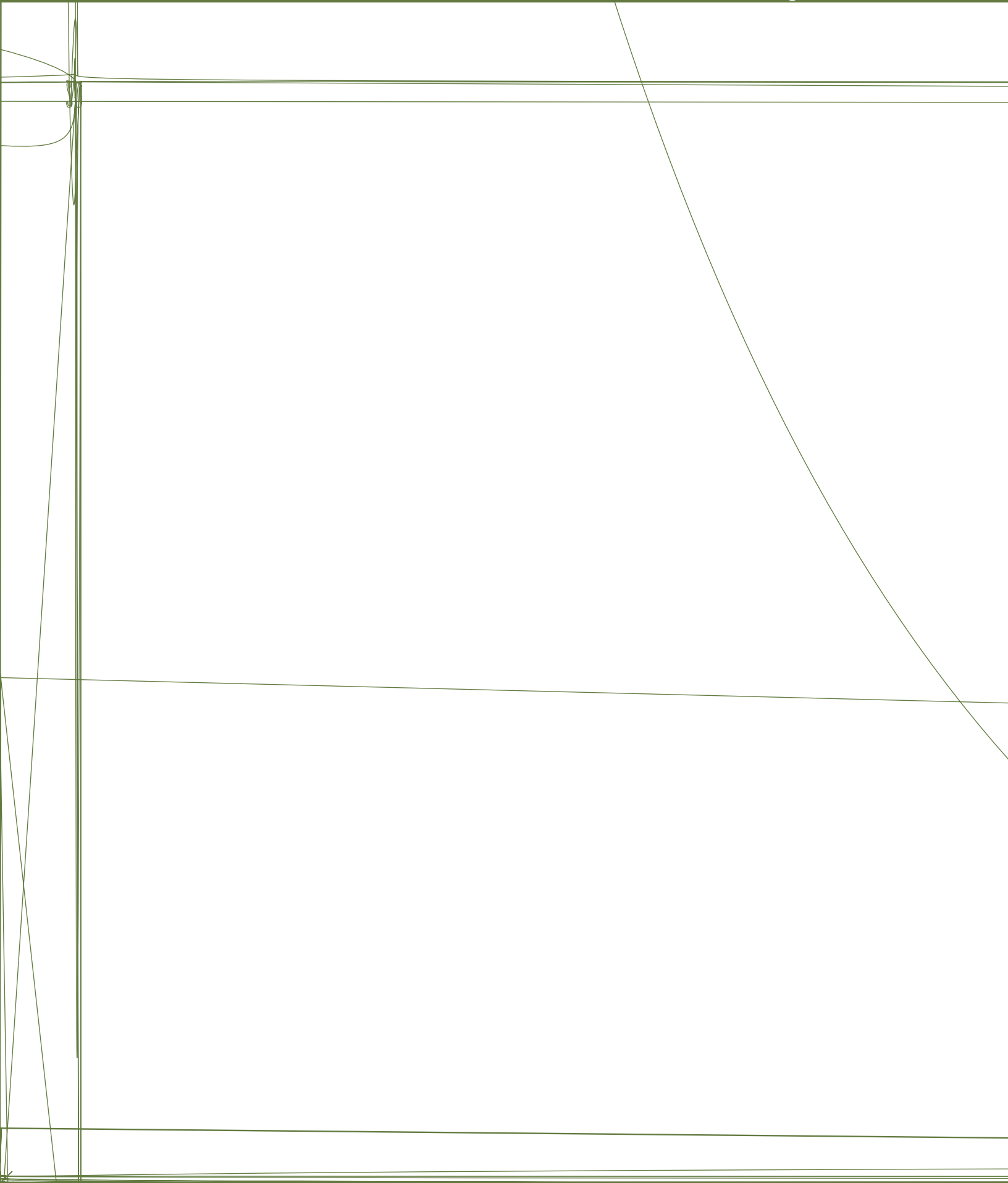
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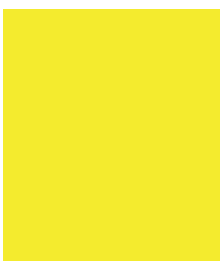
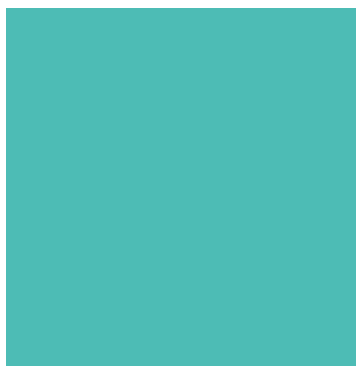
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who's who in study abroad

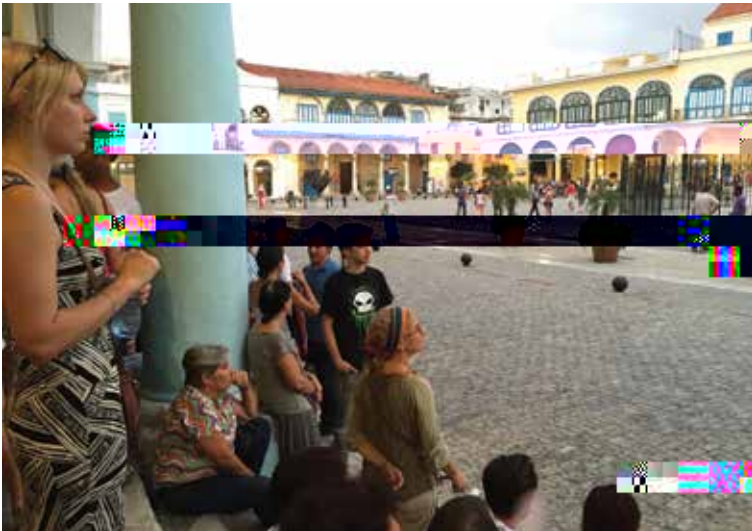








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Reflections from Abroad

BRIANNE BISHOP '16

SCHOOL FOR FIELD STUDIES -
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT STUDIES
ATENAS, COSTA RICA

FALL 2015

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Rikki Abzug | Professor of Management

COSTA RICA | MARCH 2016

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Renata Gangemi | Professor of Communication Arts
BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA | MAY 2015

I attended a conference titled "Stories of Courage: Argentinean Political Women" presented in several venues in Buenos Aires, Rosario, and Mendoza. I presented recently in the Museo de la Memoria and in the Museo de la Plata. The conference was organized by the Argentinean Women's Movement and the Argentinean Women's Studies Association.

Amruth Kumar | Professor of Computer Science
PERU | JULY 2016

I am serving as the Poster Chair on the organizing committee for the conference "Innovation and Technology in Computer Science" held in Lima, Peru. I am presenting a paper at the conference on "The Role of Artificial Intelligence in Computer Science".

Iraida Lopez | Professor of Spanish Language and Literature

CUBA | OCTOBER 2015

I attended a Casa de las Américas conference - III Coloquio Internacional del Programa de Estudios Sobre América Latina.

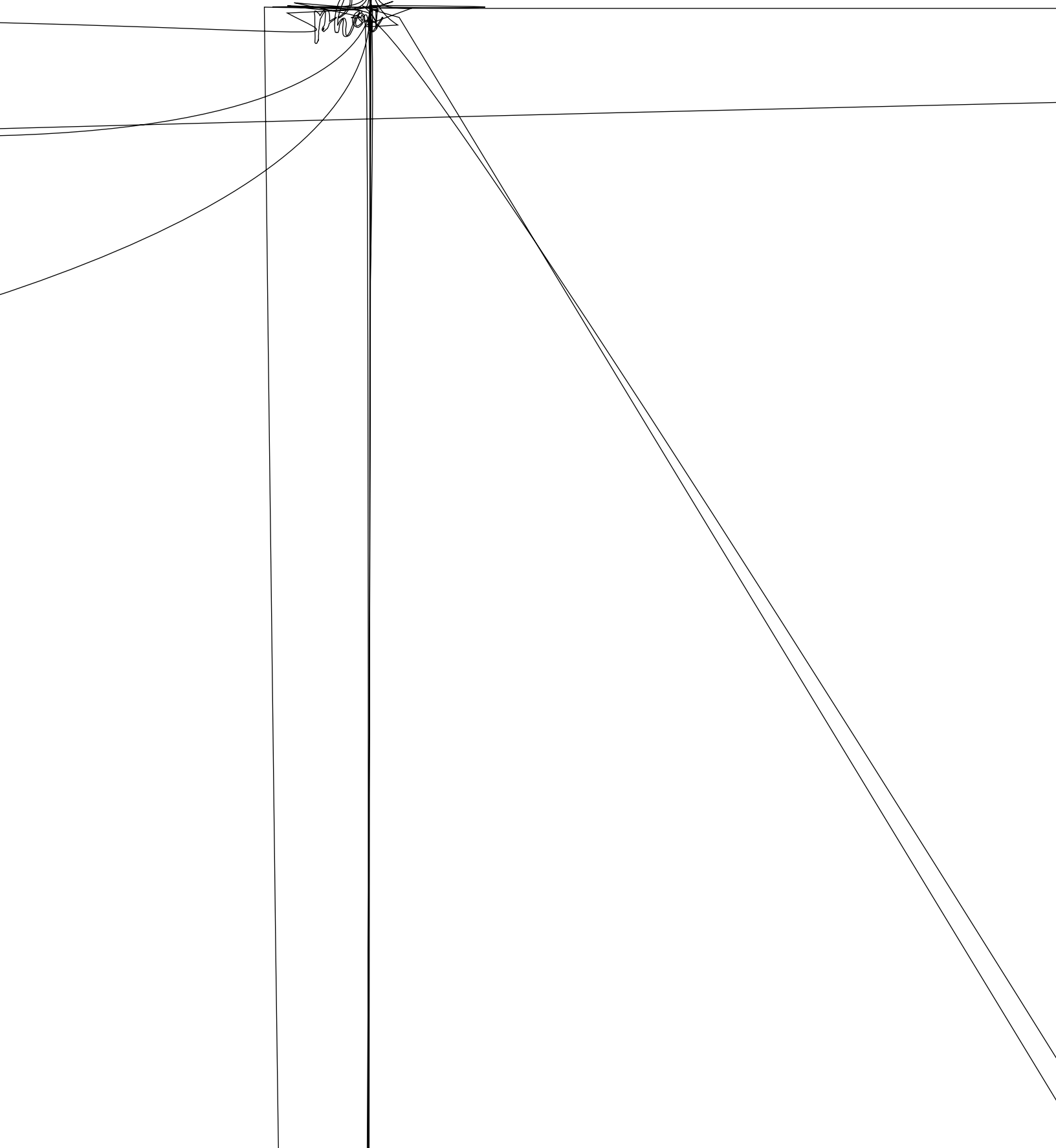
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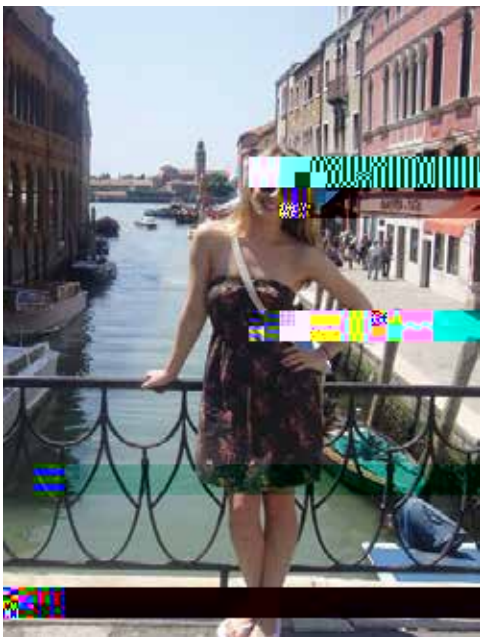


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