

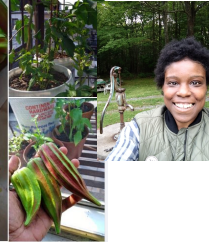
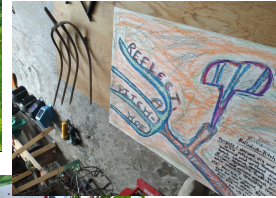
A Vanderful Life

Proposing Possibilities of Art, Land, Mobility & Community Care (in progress)

By OA "Cole" Cole - FSNYC, 11/16/22

Q: What is: A Vanderful Life?

A: An Interdisciplinary model of earth care and reimagining land stewardship; while uplifting art, mobility, live & physical infrastructure, culture & community care



Who is Cole?

Black/Queer/Immigrant/Artistic/Lesbian
exploring my gender non conforming edges;
emerging and unmasking life long/form
neurodivergent tones ...*

*"Performance & Teaching Artist/Time
Traveler/animal lover/Youthfully Mature/Adult
learner & Beginner/Skill Builder/Physically
Creative Inquist/Eternal Band Nerd/Land
Loving & Badly behaved Womxn Centered
rager of a Sapio-Sexual; currently practicing
low to no social media." - O.A. Cole*

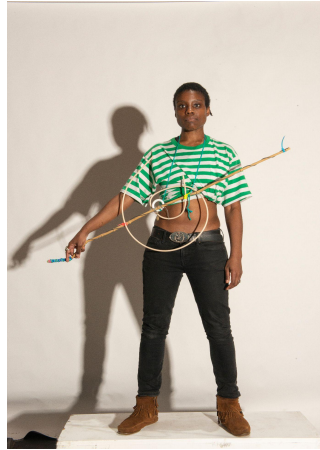
**Unpacking Cultural displacement/assimilation*

Who is Cole? O.A. "Cole" Cole - She/Hers & They/Themme

- *Cancer Sun/Libre Moon*
- *No-To-Low Social Media*
- *Immigrant & Survivor....*
- *Adult Educated & Learned....*
- *Not Very NeuroTypical.....*
- *46, 76, 11.....*
- *Classically Trained/Traumatized musician in Performing arts....*
- *Culture based Movement Inquist....*
- *"Accidental" Broadway Performer*
- *Teaching Artist...*
- *Performance Artist aka Pirate Jenny.....*

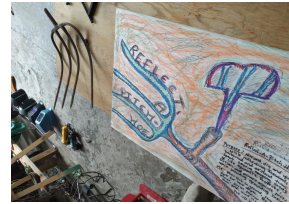
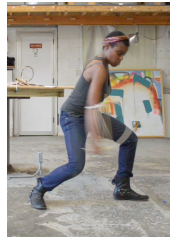
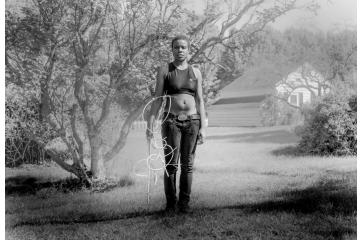


Who is Pirate Jenny?



Pirate Jenny (PJ) is a time traveling pirate embodying histories intersection of the Atlantic Slave Trade and the Golden Age of Piracy with my own inavigation as a Queer, Black, Artist Immigrant & Lesbian. PJ travels via radio waves using time travel tools inspired from ancient mariners & mainly fashioned from Bamboo & Reed. #LovePJ

<https://www.threephasecenter.com/shola-cole>



Photos, Video Stills Pirate Jenny 2013 - Present,. Courtesy of GES, Nina Isobel, OA Cole

Q1. What Does Cole Bring to Farm School, NYC?

Dog walker
Food Service
2013 - 2015: Graduate School, MFA
Performance art workshops
Usher: New Jersey Performing Arts Center
Coffee Shops
Figure Modeling
Systemic/Institutional/Domestic abuse/trauma
Temp Office Jobs
Customer Service
2009 - 2013: Non Profit Arts:
Programme Coordinator
Tour Guide: Madison Square Garden
C/PTSD, Anxiety, Triggers
Verbatim Hearing Reporter: Social Security
2012 - 2013: Finishing Bachelors
Complicated & Uncomplicated Grief (2009-2011)
Freelance art/performer gigs

From
2009 - 2020



Q2. Sustainable or Nah....?

NAH...

[#Immarest](#)

[#wegonrest](#)

[#napminstry](#)

Winter '20 - Winter '22

Grow Your Own (NYBG)

Queer Carpentry (Mayday Space)

Farm School NYC

Down Bottom Farms (NWK, IB)

Soul Fire Farm (SFF)

Earthwood Building School (Cordwood Masonry)

Fire Escape Garden (My flat)

Pre-Apprenticeship Training (NEW/Soulful Synergy/Wildan)

High Tunnel Course (FSNYC)

QT/BIPOC Tractor Training (RSF)

POLLINATE! (RSF)

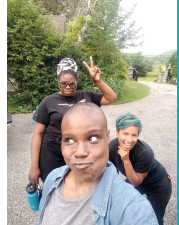
Enterprise (FSNYC)

Co-op 101 (RSF/HV Coop)

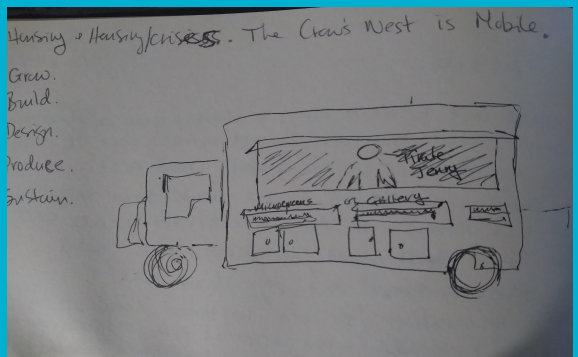
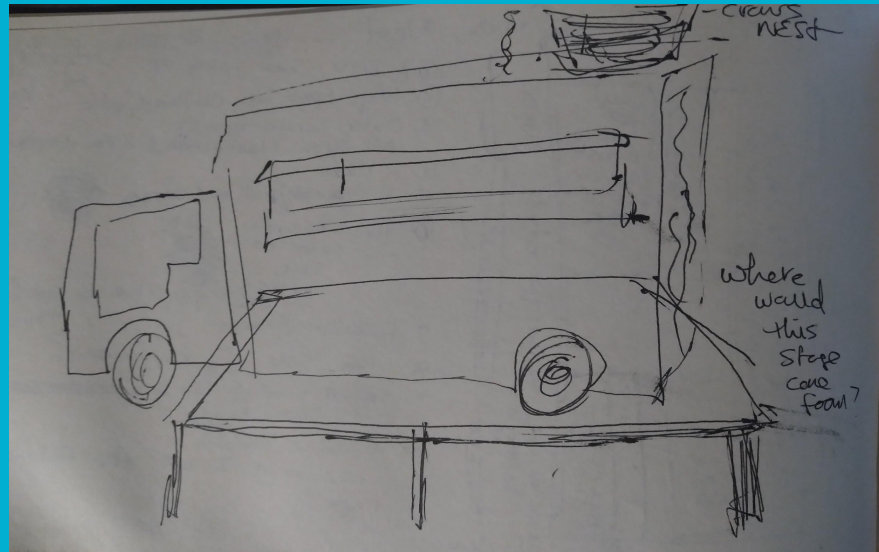
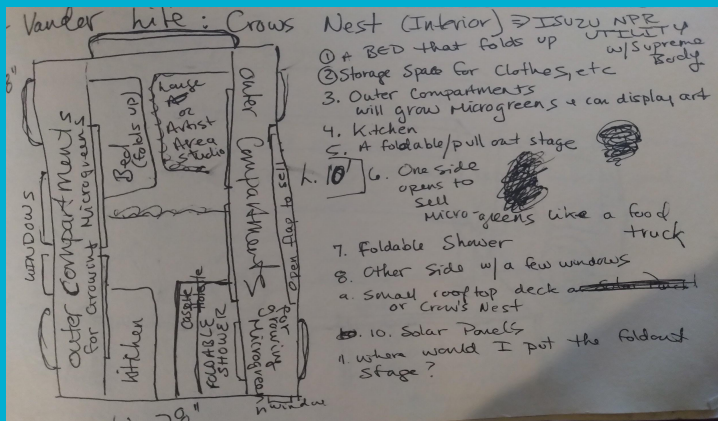
OSHA 30/SST & Universal HVAC

Three Phase Space A.I.R

Biodynamic Farming (Pfeiffer Institute)

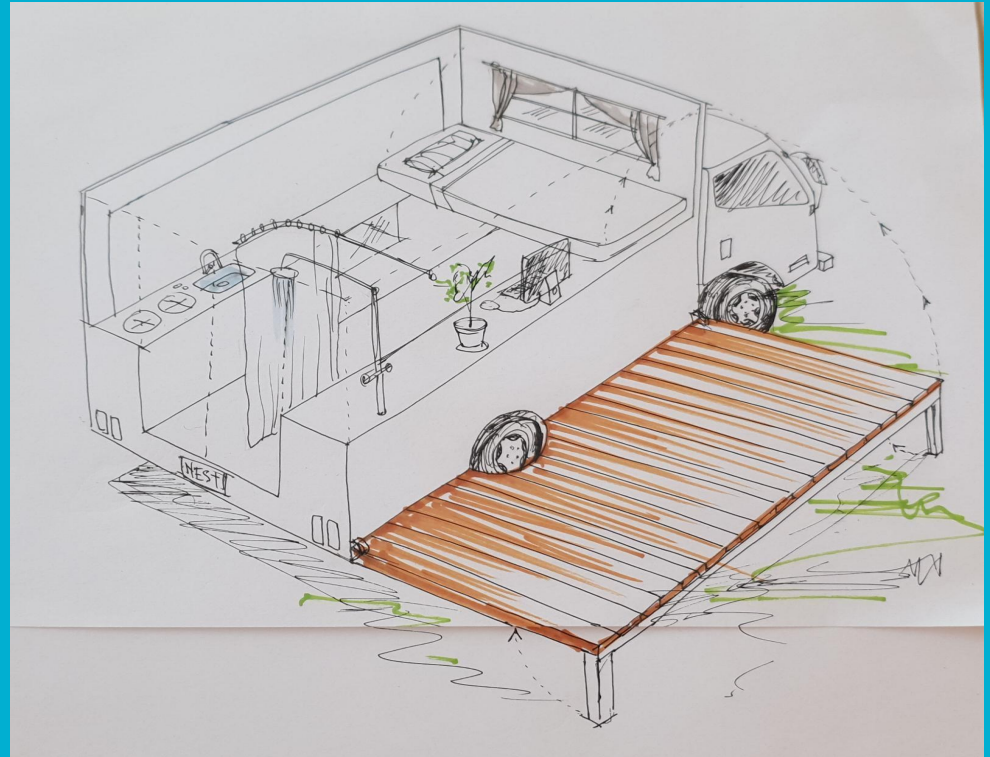


Sketches of A Vanderful Life: Crows Nest



Preliminary Sketches, O.A. Cole (Feb '20)

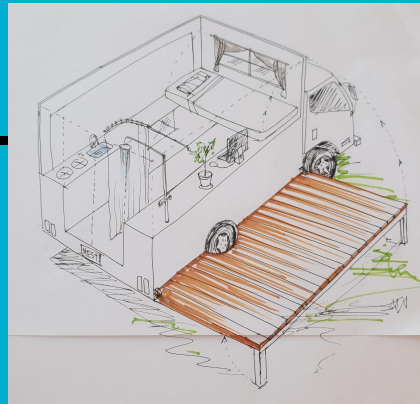
Design Drawings, A Vanderful Life: Crows Nest



Concept Drawings, by Rodrigo (March '20)

What does A Vanderful Life Comprise of?

- Crow's Nest
- Artists Live on Land (earth & infrastructure Maintenance)
- Centering QT/BIPOC LGBTQIA+ Artists/earth workers
- Artist/land residents are centered in a praxis of reimagining, community, care & learning
- Land is stewarded, bought, cooperatized or worked in agreed rotation with other farms
- Crops center infrastructure, fiber & culture, native crops, bamboo, cannabis/hemp
- Exploration of various and alternate growing mediums
- Artists/Famers/Cooks featured in a podcast/weekly radio show using my skills in pirate radio
- Possibilities in multiple MDU's & tracked High tunnels for artist care & crop rotation



Asset Mapping: A Vanderful Life:

Who do you know?

What is needed to make AVL work?

What items?

Resources?

People?

Next Steps:

Farm Business Planning (SFF/GV)

Enterprise (FSNYC)

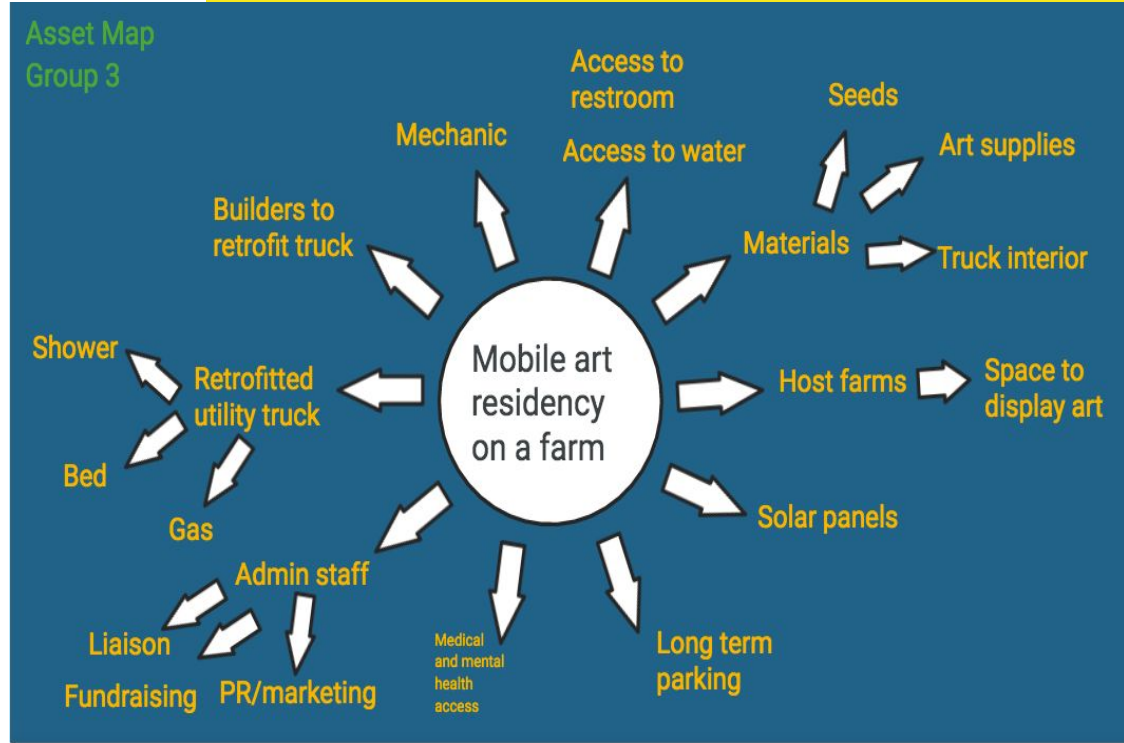
Visit Sites for materials/mentorship

eg: Gardenship & Universe City

Utility Van Research

Artist Residencies/Creative Dev.

Awareness & plans for campaign



Koron, Hyunhee, Lele, Maria & Cole (Group 3)

Link to jamboard: <https://tinyurl.com/2d3obu3z>

Most **important** next step & throughout AVL...

Self Care & Self Love

#joy #decolonizingproductivity #prioritizeme #bulddreamsincommunity #THERAPY #hotbaths #earthing #sensorycare #resources
#anti-grind #anti-violence #anti-callout #anti-shaming #centermentalhealth #farmercure #carejustice #naps

Inspo & Ideas

Compass Green Project

Truck Farm, Chicago

Felder Rushing: Slow Gardener

Goals:

- *Undo the Cis-White-Hetere-Male Type Myth often highlighted in these mobile undertakings.*
- *Uplift the brown, queer and othered resilient bodies seeking to normalize mobility in land care, education & earth justice*



Compass Green Project



Truck Farm Chicago

Community Dreams & Visions

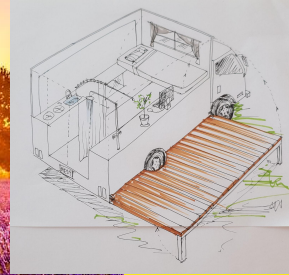
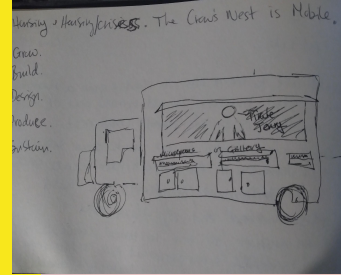
An Invitation to Brainstorm for AVL

- *What would you like grown, made, seen or experienced?*
- *What do farmers and artists desire so as to consistently create, maintain and care for themselves and the land at their very best?*
- *Other Thoughts? PLease Jam :-)*

[Link to jamboard:](#)

or

copy/paste: <https://tinyurl.com/24rp94na>



An Interdisciplinary model reapproaching farming, earth stewardship and art making within a praxis of restorative justice.

AVL opens my personal/ongoing journey in the Art as Life Continuum; seeking to uplift queerness, art and mobility, while centering the QT/BIPOC & LGBTQIA2+ realm.

Inclusive practices center art, regenerative & ancestral farming/irrigation and maintenance of live & physical infrastructure. These are framed in pillars of multicultural, intergenerational & inclusive community care.

A Vanderful Life...

Thanks for dreaming with me - LovePJ

#placeofprocessnotproduction #LovePJ

