



TOTALLY 80'S FASHION

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A twenty-two-year-old fashion-confused slice of apple pie. I'm a journalism major and art minor here at the university and I am known for wearing...everything. I find beauty and vulnerability in exploring clothes artistically—I borrow from trends of the past and present, intimately connecting to print and color. It is my voice when I am mute, the spice to my sweet and the Nilla wafers to my banana pudding (I like food a lot). I'm glad you're here, so let us embark on this fashion journey together.

TEEAZHA

"TEE-AZHA GET OUT OF MY CLOTHES AND SHOES!" were words I heard way too often growing up. I've always

had this obsession with fashion; it just runs through my veins. Before I understood the concept of "style", I had already formed my own by the age of eight. I would run around the house in all kinds of clothes and yell out "IT'S A FASHION SHOW!" I guess you can say some things never change because 14 years later, I still play dress up.

A WORD ON STYLE

We draw inspiration from places such as magazines, television, past decades or sometimes we even imagine and draw an outfit of our own. The best part about fashion is that you can wear whatever you want, as long as you love it and you're confident in it. Let's be real, it's all about having fun anyways.

Embrace the funky patterns, those high water pants (the pants that come up past your ankles, you know what I'm talking about) and the grandma shoes. If you like it, then rock it.

THE LOOK

"Let's get inspiration," we said in attempt to arrange this story and, for us, nothing inspires more than fashion from the 80's. It's back, boys and girls... well, let's be real, it never left. Parents often spew the words, "nothing's original anymore," and they're right. They assumed their lace collars, flower leggings, scrunchy-socks and acid-wash jeans were things of the past. However, it has resurfaced like a pimple on a prepubescent teen.

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We sought iconic periods exemplifying our own erratic sense of fashion so we turned to Netflix and clicked on *Pretty in Pink*. We watched as Andy and Ducky grace the stage with fashion GOLD. Funky, unique, cool—these describe the trends of the lower-class students. Their ability to mix grunge and prep set our hearts on fire. That’s so US. (If you’ve ever seen our closets or bumped into us on campus, this goes without saying.)

High-waisted jeans, muted colors on a backdrop of overwhelming print, and statement necklaces are in! However, finding these items and mixing them with your own personal touch isn’t easy. So we’ve got a few tips to help you out.

The first step is thrifting, of course! Thrift stores can be overwhelming, but that feeling can be avoided. Before you walk out of that door plan out what you’re looking for so you can cruise through those aisles on a mission—go in with different items in mind, such as:

- PAISLEYPRIESTVESTS
- HIGHWAISTPANTS
- PENDANTS
- GAUCHOPANTS
- OLDCOATS
- PRINTEDSHIRTS
- CIRCULARSHADES

Just because you want to achieve a certain look doesn’t mean you can’t mix and match the clothes you find with items you already have at home. For example: you just found a pair of perfect-fitting green high waist pants—you don’t have to find a shirt to match, instead, think of some cool t-shirts you have at home. A simple t-shirt or crop top will work just as beautifully. Add a cool hat, circular shades and a pair of chucks and you’ve got an outfit!

Overall, what we ask is for you to have fun. Be fearless. Bring your friends, try clothes on, and trust in your instinct. Local thrift stores are treasure troves waiting to be explored. Going to places like the Salvation Army or Savers is a wonderful way to give back to the community while adding some sweet clothes to your repertoire. Oh, and don’t forget the hole-in-the-wall thrift stores too



“BE FEARLESS.”

—you’ll know you’re in the right place when you walk into a shop that smells of old men and Levis. You know, the one that’s hidden in a corner next to that one place by the one

thing? That’s the one. Take advantage of your youth and explore creative boundaries. Make your parents’ eyes roll and give them 80s like they’ve never imagined. **IN**