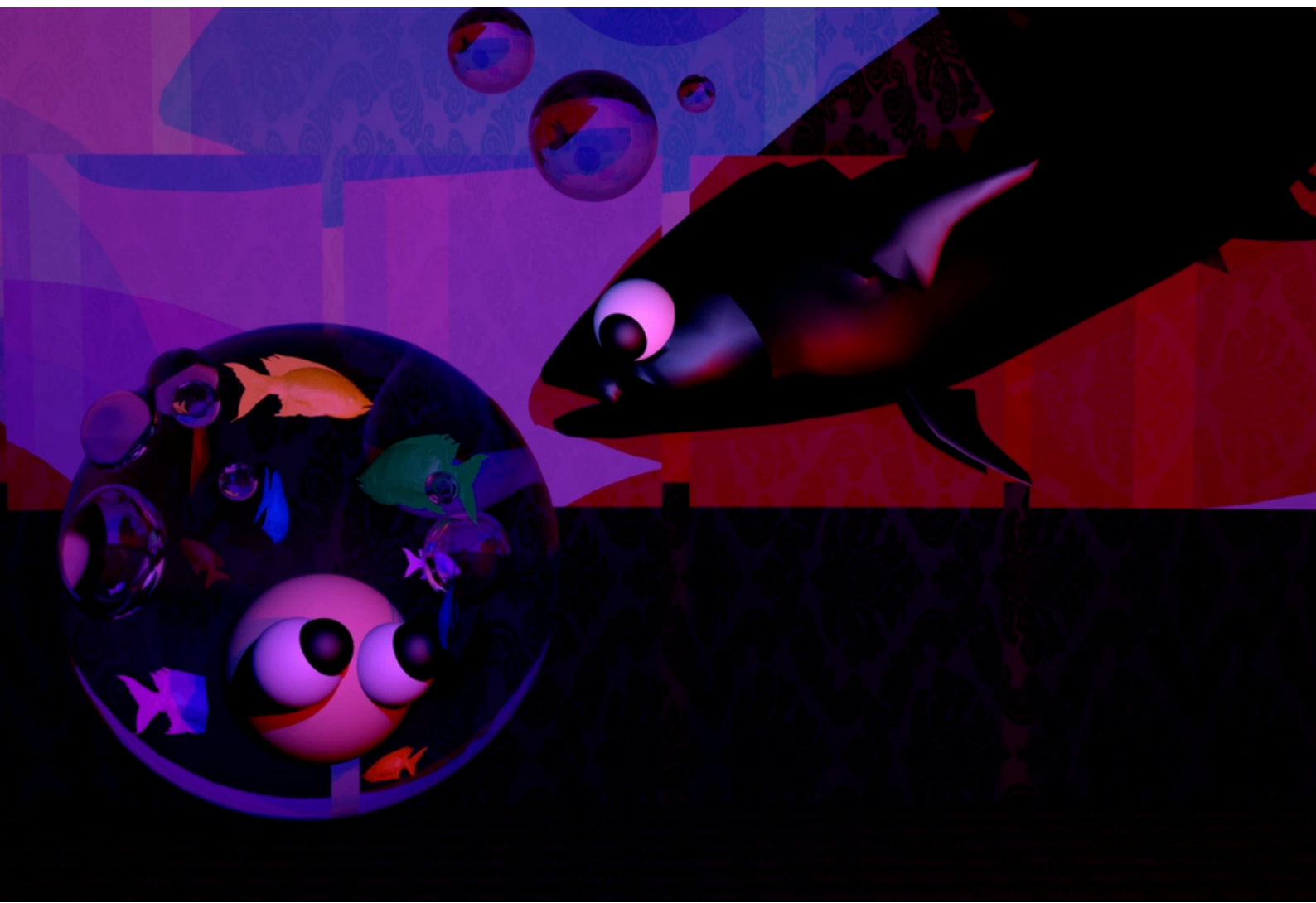
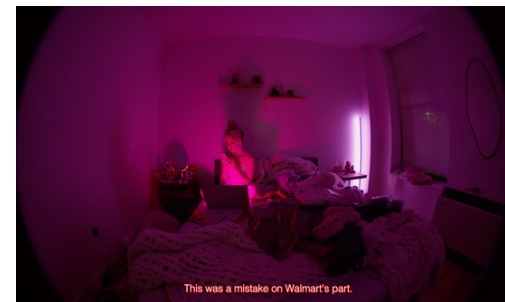


Dahlia Bloomstone



Dahlia Bloomstone has developed a body of work rooted in video, which has evolved to encompass animation, film, and performance. Through studies in literature, language, science fiction, fables, memes, and internet culture, Dahlia attempts to reconcile representations of domesticity, labor, and ethics absent or under-theorized in the film and video art canons through the lens of sex work (SW). She creates, with political urgency, speculative video content that leads to questions investigating stereotypes of morality in specific polarized occupations, ambivalence as generative, the commodification of our multiple body-selves, philanthropy culture, and acceptance through humanizing of the self. She uses perverse storytelling, private vernacular, masking, layering, repetition, and artifice as conceptual devices. The artist employs accessible fishtank metaphors and cute characters to deliver stories that speak through the absurdity of concurring socio-political and economic issues. She is constantly negotiating her relationship to these concepts within the panoptic discourse on the Internet. Her most recent work, Push for Help is a diaristic episodic video series set in a money-driven fishtank simulator gentlemen's club. The thesis exhibition consists of video work, a video game built and designed by the artist, and free-to-take objects, where donation, the strip club, and the fish tank converge. The work concludes that SW is a timeless construct that will always exist even after reimagining multiple worlds.





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Push for Help Episode 4: Greg the Slave, Video, 0:36, 2022



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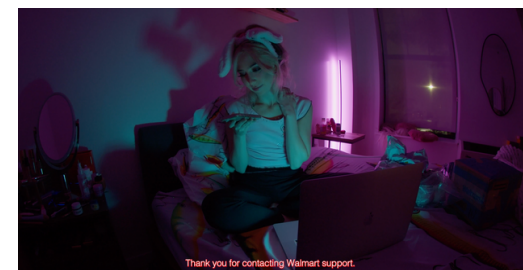
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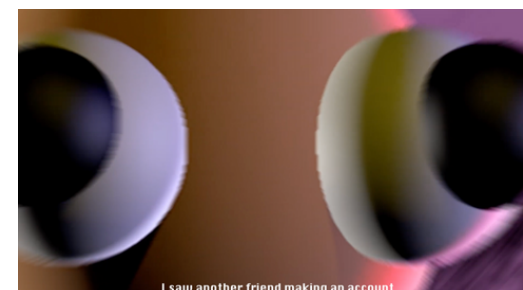
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Money-Driven FishTank Game, Video Game, 2022 ideo, 4:08, 2021



Push for Help Episode 5: A New Consciousness, Video, 6:37, 2022



Push for Help Episode 3: Towards a Newer Hook Theory, Video, 4:08, 2021



Push for Help Episode 6: Welcome Home, Video, 0:39, 2022



SWer-NPC-Fable, Video, 3:58, 2022