fat feminists

clothing, size, & activism

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define all terms:

A uniquely human practice that includes "actions undertaken to modify and supplement the body in order to address physical needs in order to meet social and cultural expectations about how individuals should look" (Eicher.

DRESS

EMBODIED ORIENATATION

A person can "be fat" as a conscious, ontological choice. (Ahmed, Queer Phenomenology)

The Visible Self)

- Not a bad word. (The Fat Studies Reader)
- The only thing we can know about another person based on how they look are our own prejudices. (Mignolo, The Darker Side of Western Modernity)

FATSHION ACTIVISM

2 QUOTES

CATHERINE CONNELL

"Fashion is often dismissed as, at best, irrelevant and, at worst, downright counterproductive to the presumably more serious and high-minded business of political action. But is it possible to think of fashion not only as compatible with politics but also as a form of political engagement in its own right?"

DFB MAIKIN

"Clothing is not just clothing. It's not just shit we put on our bodies so we're not walking around naked. It's the main way that we convey the message of who we are in the world. If fashion was like the alphabet and we used costuming to communicate who we are with the rest of the world, plus-size fashion and fat girls have fewer letters in the alphabet to use to be able to say who we are."

EXAMPLES

that might make you mad



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