



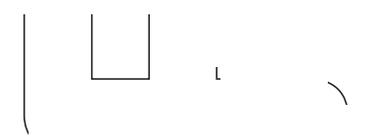
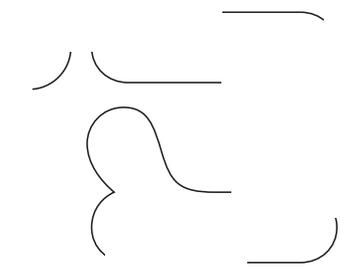
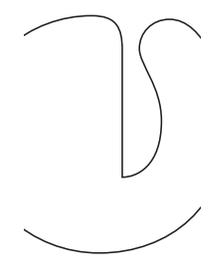
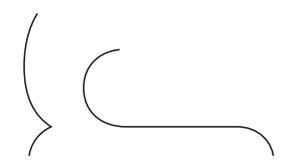
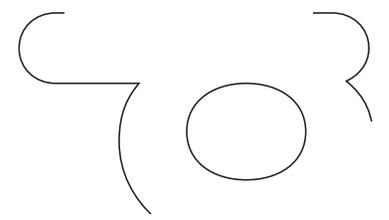
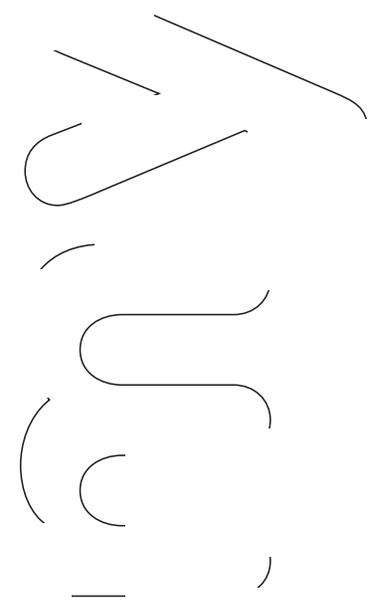
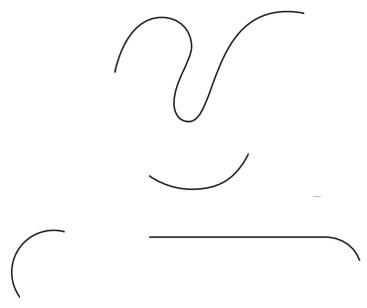
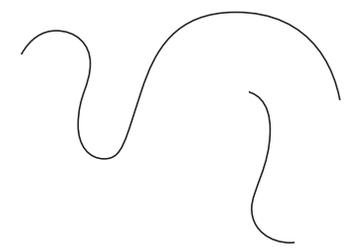
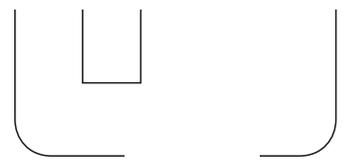
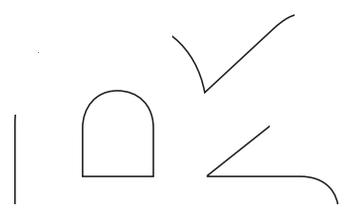
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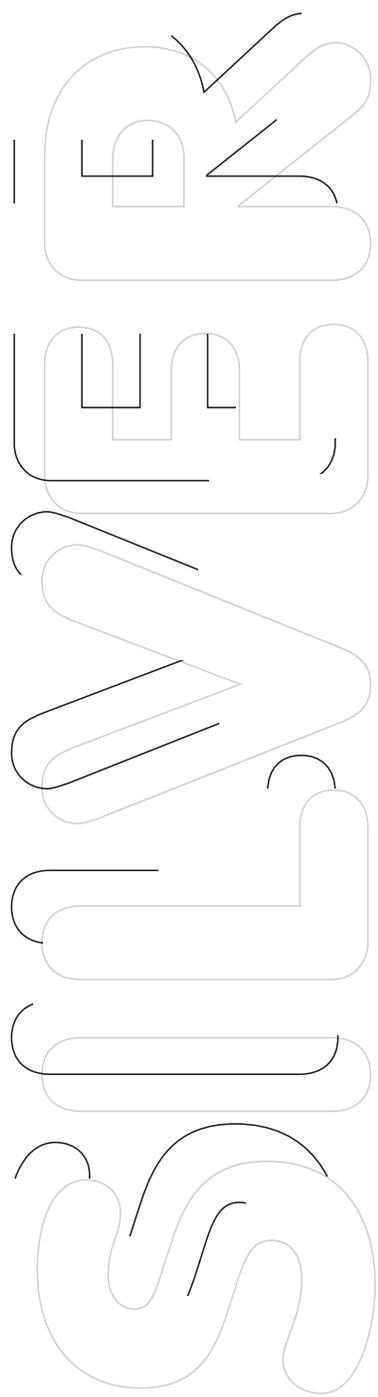
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Chris mentioned about imaginary friend, can you tell me about your..

Well It's not imaginary friend per say, I talk to myself and I like to imagine conversation between me and people like umm um uh-uh-uh conversations I had with people uh conversations I-I-I could be having with people say for example, umm maybe later on today, I'm going to re-reenact our interview right now I will I will imagine talking to you, having the same conversation with you again or-or, Yeah! But I-I-I-I talk but I-I-I its kind of like having an imaginary friend but, the character changes every time I talk. You know

So do you have to be alone?

But I-I-I feel I-I, I can be in like the library and-and-and-and-just be in my own world in my head

You will say like? What other people say and how you respond to..

Yeah I will I will murmur the words

Can you show us an example?

Um, okay it-it-it-it you know how on-on TV guys would practice front of mirror of of how they will ask a girl out, It's like that accept not just with girls, it's like guys and teachers, my general friends, my parents. Um-ow-ow Rehearse things I'm going to say to people, repeat things I'll have, I have spoken to people and I will do both side of the conversation or or j-j-j-ju-ust pure Imaginary conversation with random characters.

Did you ever make new characters?

Well there is one character uh whose kind of my self. I, a lot of times I-I talk in my head and and I will use the word "we" a lot but, there is really really isn't a particular character I'm talking to. I think that, that's me purely talking to.. When I say "we," there really isn't a character. It's just me and my self.

How about Silver?

Silver. . . ey, how did you know about Silver?

Chris mentioned it, so

Okay, Silver is the the umm my alter ego, it's the created, creativeness in me.

Do you talk to Silver?

I-I think that's silver um, yeah

Where did you find out about Silver?**Where did you meet him or her? Who is Silver?**

Silver has a story; yeah i-i-i-it goes back like about decade before, when I was in high school. Um Silver the name Silver came about first umm, when I wanted to pick out the sort of a screen name um-um-um Internet. I was thinking about the word "gold" like gold medal you know? It means number one, and this is pretty weird. I don't want to see my self as number one. I want to see my self as number two: the runner up second place. Therefore, "Silver." The reason is by setting my self as the number two guy, I forever leave the number one spot empty, really I'm number one if number one is number two then no one is . . . It-it's pretty weird. It doesn't make sense. I know, I've been told and-nd-nd I just kept the concept "Silver." Later on, I-I-I became religious and I changed the concept of silver to I-I-I'm reserving the number one spot for God, and me being always number two, sort of my way of being humble. Yeah, that's the chronological story of Silver, and now days, I just refer my cockiness as "Silver"

Silver is not an actual person

Yeah, over time, it-it-it starts to take on mo-oo-more of a personality than on its own.

Can you tell me about those personalities?

Well, I-I-I basically separate out the-the-the weird part of personality as "Silver." So when people ask me

about silver, the-the I-I- The easy th-that I explain to them is the little voice in my head, but really it's the the weird part of my personality where I separate out, just call it that.

How is Silver like?

Silver is wh-wh-wh-whenver I have those spontane-ous moments th-that's silver busting out of the surface.

Your Desktop that you have on every computer in ArtCenter has this thing about imaginary friend

Did you actually do a full-on research about me?

No, I have class with you, so that I found that on my own.

But it's silver an imaginary friend?

Um, I will say, it-it-it didn't start as an imaginary friend, it-it-it certainty is becoming one more and more each day. You know how when I talk to my self I refer to myself as "we." Silver is the "we" guy that I am talking to.

Do you ever talk to Silver directly?

I never say his name, because there is no need to. I always use the word "we" and tha-that's the time when um either me talking or Silvers talking. Yeah

Does your family member or your peers know about Silver?

I have his on my website, on my personal website I did an interview with my self thing, you know how people write about me section, that's my about me section, I write about a short interview where I interview Silver or Silver is interviewing me. What was the question again?

www.simontien.com/who/index.html

Oh Oh! My family does not know about Silver. They know about Silver, but they don't know what Silver really is. My peers, people who ask me about silver I simply told them it's the little voice in my head. It's a simple way to explain to people wi-wi-wi-without going through an entire interview.

What do they usually think? Do they think it's weird or do they think it's cool?

I don't know what they think, and I never yeah I-I don't go about advertising Silver to people. but, when they do ask, It's just a simple way I-I explain to them. I never gave much thought about how they thought about Silver.

What does Silver think about him self?

He's very content, happy of its self and he certainly something that I am proud of having. Yeah basically cr-cr-creative people are proud of people being creative and Silver is the personification of my creativeness and I'm-I'm-I'm very happy to have this character in mind. Silver is, I guess he-he's happy as well,

How long do you interact with Silver in a day? Or, When do you usually?

When I'm not in... Basically, any moment I am not talking to real people, I can use silver when I do my homework, when I watch TV, when I'm in the shower, When I sit on the toilet. (Laughs) There's always conversation going on in my head with silver.

What do you guys usually talk about?

Whatever is at hand, whatever that I was doing at the moment. For example, I was watching TV I would make comments about what I am seeing with him and then he would make comments. I actually learn

new stuff talking to silver, since this is character in head, everything should th-the-there shouldn't be anything that I already know but for some reason when I talk to silver sometimes. I learn new things that I never learned before. I come up with new interpretation of things that I didn't know: TV shows, articles I'm reading.

How does Silver Look?

(he) Looks like me (Laughs)

What are some differences between Silver and you?

I'm boring really, I-I-I really don't have a life. I-I'm very dorky, sitting front of the computer reading Wikipedia articles a lot, Google news and stuff like that. I-I-I'm pretty dorky.

How about Silver?

Silver is the-the-the, I wouldn't say... Silver is definitely not boring. He's the weird goof ball.

If Silver were to come alive, how would his interaction be different from your interaction with people?

Oh! Here's a good example, y-y-y-you have seen people who is drunk or high. Silver is a 24-hours, constantly high and drunk kind of person. He will be this guy who is like on pot, high or just smoke pot walking around doing whatever high people do. I will be this dorky little quite guy who sits in the corner who don't talk a lot.

Does he smoke pot? Or is he just high?

No, He's just naturally high

What does he do when he is high
and drunk?

He talks a lot.

What does he talk about?

Like I said, If I don't have silver. I'm the quite dorky
guy who sits in the corner. A my time, I speak in front
of people that's not really me. I don't really do public
speaking very well and Silver is the guy who does
these class clown kind of talk trying to get attention.

If your parents met Silver,
What would they think?

I don't know what they will think; I am a different
person when I am at home. With my parents, I'm
completely just 'me.' when I am home, If you talk to
my parents, my parents will say "our son is very quite
who almost never talk" generally I'm like the next best
thing from bumping autistic

Will they be shocked?

Yeah I think they will.

If you can describe Silver in several words,
what would you describe him as?

Unconventional, unique, weird. very weird. Don't really
give a damn about what people think, attention-loving
yeah. . . high (Laughs)

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