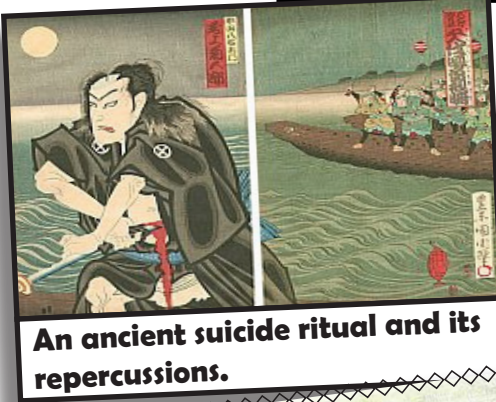


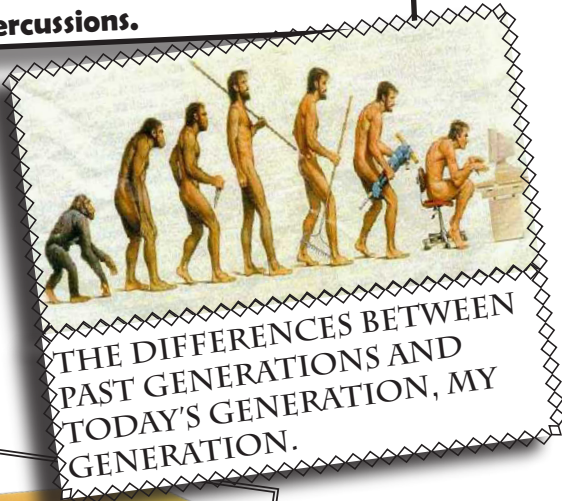
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By Akemi Umino



What image comes up in your mind when you hear “Samurai?” You may think that the Samurai were old Japanese warriors who had swords and killed evil people, but do you know what kind of mind and feeling do they had? They had to live under absolute submission having loyalty that we can never understand.

At first, the Samurai were not farmers. They served under a Lord. They appeared in the Heian period (around 10th to 11th century) and existed until the Edo period. They are also called “Bushi.” In Japan, people are sometimes praised by people saying “He is such a Bushi” or “He is a Samurai” when they are stoic or have strong minds. “Bushido” is a spirit that the Samurai must engrave in his mind for life. According to Nitobe Inazo, who is an educator and an author of “Bushido”, “Bushido” teaches “gi”(Justice), “yuu”(Bravery), “jin”(Benevolence), “rei” (Humbleness), “makoto”(Veracity), “meiyo”(Honor) and “chuugi” (Loyalty). Nitobe strongly said that having the courage not to lose against dishonesty was the true form of “Bushi.” Also, getting honor by protecting loyalty was the ultimate goal for “Bushi.”

Bushido had a big influence on Japanese people. For example, Seppuku is a ceremonial death for the Samurai. They slit their own belly whenever they took responsibility for something bad and it’s considered an honorable way to die. The step is, right after you cut own belly, Kaisyakunin decapi-

tated you so as not to suffer. It was a very painful way to commit suicide. Seppuku has a meaning of sincerity and even little children committed Seppuku following the adults. While a person committing Seppuku usually thought little of death at the time, there are still many suicides every year in Japan where this is not the case. These suicides are committed for personal instead of honorable reasons or for a principle. Japanese people may inherit a sense of responsibility which comes from this old tradition. At one time, Japanese people had been told that they smile although when they are going hard time because they are insensitive. However, for Bushi, showing their emotions is against their spirit “rei” and it was considered that a cowardly act. Smiling, even when Japanese people are going through hard time is a method of maintaining a balance of mind.

These lessons have affected the characteristics of contemporary Japanese people. Most lessons were a painful discipline for the Samurai. At present, it is difficult to find Japanese people who have a warrior’s mind. However, there was an exception. Mishima Yukio was a novelist in 90’s. He committed Seppuku at the Ichigaya Army base. In this century, most Japanese people who choose to commit suicide, do this due to their sensitivity rather than because of a great cause. These old traditions influence Japanese people today and shape the Japanese individual.

The Differences Between Our Generation and Other

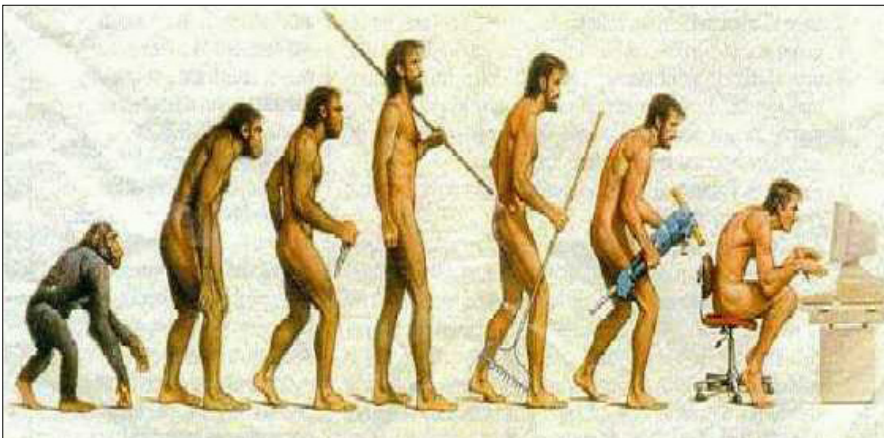
By Roy Gal

As generations come and go, changes in values, attitudes, and goals make the differences between them more obvious. The previous generations have always played a big role in shaping the newest generation by offering them more help. Also, a gap has always been noted between them, that sometimes even acts like a barrier, which makes generations distinct. However, my generation has developed a different kind of attitude about life and themselves.

My generation gets much more help than what the previous generation got when they were our age. The previous generations had to go work really hard and sweat for get what they wanted, whereas my generation has a completely different lifestyle. We live in an electronic life, which developed by the previous generation, and it helps my generation tremendously to make a better future. With tools such as computers, the internet, and cell phones we can get any kind of information we desire and can communicate easily. Therefore, we have a huge opportunity, which did not exist in the previous generations.

The attitude of my generation is very different than other generations. Laziness, selfishness, and greed have infected us strongly, for the previous generation made life so easy for us, and a lot of us do not even appreciate that. Many of us just care only about themselves, and what they want, and how fast they can get it, which makes us to be self-centered. We are looking for the easiest way to do what we need, even if it is not so good. Thus, it is rare to see someone work hard for something.

Another factor that makes my generation different than others is our open mindedness. The previous generation is more narrow-minded about life. For example, we can see this in terms of sex. The previous generation has stricter mindsets about sex and sexuality, while my generation is much more open-minded on it. Moreover, my generation seems to be fine with accepting homosexuality, while the previous generation was and still is against it. A gap will always exist between my generation and the previous generation, and I think that that is the way of life.



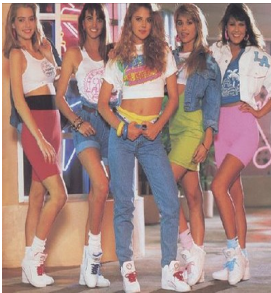
THE EVOLUTION OF FASHION IN THE US

by Anna Goldina

We all know that everything flows, everything changes. This is true for fashion too. Fashion refers to popular styles, current trends and even prevailing styles or behavior. My last article was about vintage fashion covering the period from 1920's to 1970's. However, the history of fashion does not end. Now I would like to tell you about the timeline which covers 1980's -2000's .

The 20th century was a progressive era for America. The aftermath of World War I caused Americans to become more expressive and free in clothing. Over time, each generation in America developed its own style of clothing.

1980s



The 80s Fashion was influenced by the western economic boom. Demographics changed the face of society. People were living longer and seemed to act younger at the same time. Old industries died, while new technologies developed and boomed. It was

the era of the YUPPIE (Young Urban Professionals) and DINKY (Double Income No Kids). Fashion history influences of the 80s include, Dynasty and Dallas, big hair, gold, glamour and glitz, shoulders and shoulder pads. 1980s Fashion also featured, big shoulder shawls, Doc Martens, trainers, low heeled pumps, innovative hosiery and color coordination.

1990s

Many people wonder what the difference was between the 80's and the 90's. There was a brief "grunge" period starting in 1994 which involved lots of flannel shirts and



chain wallets. 1990s was divided into mainly Pop Culture boy bands and Grunge rockers. Grunge, which began in the 1980s, became mainstream in the early 90s. Grunge fashion involved ripped jeans, t-shirts, and flannel shirts. (Wiki Grunge) Pop culture is constantly changing, and is often dictated by film and television stars. In general, the 1990s saw a general minimalist aesthetic in fashion, contrasted to the more elaborate and flashy trends of the 1980s. Additionally, fashion trends throughout the decade started recycling styles from previous decades notably the 1960s and 1970s, a trend which would continue into the 2000s.

2000s

The most modern age of U.S. fashion is an interesting one because it is a "mash-up" decade of all the previous ages of U.S. fashion, where trends saw the fusion of previous styles, global and ethnic clothing, as well as the fashions of numerous music-based subcultures, especially indie pop. Everything worn is generally worn in a retro, ironic fashion. Skinny jeans are direct descendant of the revolutionary pantaloons, modern flannel shirts. Women somehow get away with wearing oversized sunglasses, maternity dresses (even when not pregnant), leggings underneath large T-shirts, really tall boots, etc. Many in the industry have noted the lack of divide between the 1990s and early-2000s due to the continued popularity of minimalist fashion among young people of both sexes. For the most part, the mid-late 2000s did not have one particular style, but recycled vintage clothing styles from the 1940s, 1950s, 1960s and 1980s.



What is the future of fashion? Only time will tell.

Saving Money in the City I

by Yun Jun Lee

Why spend all your moeny? Manhattan has many ways you can save! Here's how:

1. Take the subway not a cab.
2. Party in the East Village. Bars and restaurants are typically cheaper in this area.
3. Party during happy hour. Going out for a drink between 4pm and 6pm will allow you to find some of the best drink and food specials in the city.
5. Use your student ID. You can find many chances for students around the NYU campus.
6. Visit museums on pay-what-you-wish nights. There are a number of museums that offer free admission on certain days and times of the week.
7. Target Sponsored Events. Target subsidizes a number of events in NYC, offering free admission to everything from expensive museums to shows, plays and concerts.
8. Sign up for Groupon. After signing up for Groupon, you'll have access to a new BIG coupon each and every day. Save 30% on groceries, save on Broadway tickets, etc.

9. Take advantage of free samples. Almost everywhere you go you'll find stores and people handing out free samples of their goods. A number of grocery stores offer free food samples at their locations. Try Whole Foods and Trader Joe's in Union Square. Trader Joe's even has a "Grand Sample Station". Many of the Greenmarket vendors in Union Square hand out free samples of their goods. Try some before buying.

10. Work out at city recreation center. You don't need to pay \$100+ per month for a gym membership. The NYC Parks and Recreation Centers offer gym memberships for as little as \$50 per YEAR.

11. Watch free theater via Public Theater. During summer months, the Public Theater offers a number of free shows in Central Park including the now famous Shakespeare in the Park.

12. Attend free TV show tapings. A number of shows are filmed in NYC and offer free tickets to those who want to sit in on it all. Shows like The Daily Show give out tickets each day and have a standby line if you are not lucky enough to get tickets the first round.



Useful information

SAVORED

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A Betrayed Generation

The Uncertainties Faced by Generation Y by Marianne Thamm

The definition of when Generation Y starts and ends is not precise, but it's usual to consider belonging to this generation — also known as the Millennials — people who were born between 1980 and 2000. They are mostly the children of the baby boomers and compose the actual youth.

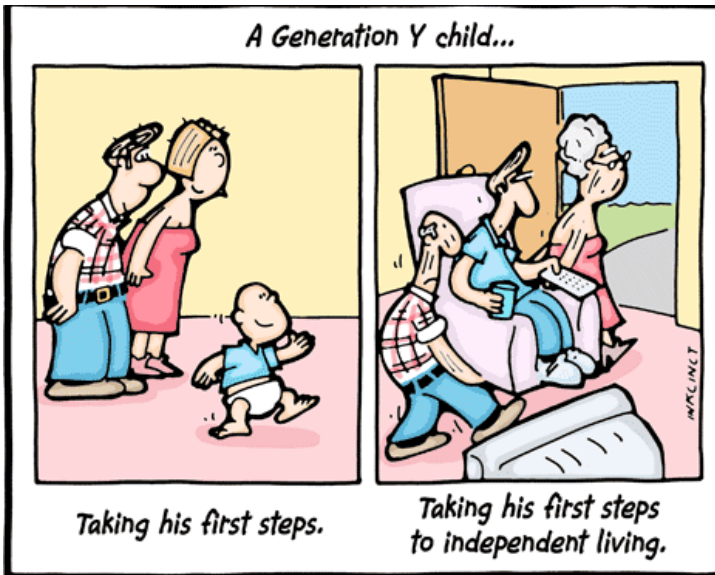
The global economic crisis started in 2008 and has brought a series of deep challenges for societies all over the world, especially in developed countries. No generation has suffered more from the consequences of the current crisis than Generation Y.

In a recent article, the magazine Newsweek-end approached this issue, entitled with the provoking headline “Millennials: Screwed Generation”. The article points that “today’s youth, here and abroad, have been screwed by their parents’ fiscal profligacy and economic mismanagement”. The previous generation have been the beneficiaries of a long period of economic prosperity that resulted in good jobs, increasing wages and rising housing prices — which contributed to their wealth expansion. However, all this economic splendor hasn’t come free of charge: the government has incurred a huge public debt, which now constitutes the burden that the youth receive as legacy from the older generation. This debt will be paid off by Generation Y through less public spending (in infrastructure, social programs etc.) and more

taxes — which means slow economic growth in the next years.

The economic weakness in developed countries has led to the unemployment rates reaching high levels, and the young people are affected the most. This happens because, on one hand, their parents are heavily indebted — which makes them delay exiting the job market. On the other hand, there are also people from the previous generation who are not currently working, but who are willing to work,

increasing the labor force supply. This last point has two effects on the job market: the more the supply of labor force the lower the wages and in competing for a job, young people are at a disadvantage since they have little or no previous experience. The result is the shrinking numbers of jobs to the new graduates.



One of the consequences of this situation is that the income gap between these two generations, Y and baby boomers, has been increasing fast. Without a job or having decided to extend the studying time until the improvement of economic conditions, many of the young people are delaying their jump into adulthood, by postponing marriage, having babies and even leaving their parent’s house. In addition, young people are losing their hope of achieving the same level of professional success and material wealth of their parents. They just think that they will not be able to do better than their parents. This hope-

less feeling is one of the saddest aspects of the crisis because Generation Y is the one that has had more opportunities to access university and even higher levels of education, as master's and Ph. D. programs. Young people have been raised learning that they were supposed to get better jobs through higher educational levels, but since the job market is still not hiring at the same pace as before the crisis, these young people have been struggling to find a job and it is not uncommon to find them working in a position for which they are overqualified. Not to mention those that have had trouble finding something.

But are Millennials really the Screwed Generation? The sure thing is that Generation Y is going to face the uncertainties of a very different world from the one the previous generation faced, and the big challenge will be to figure out how to create a new way of living — which includes finding a different sort of manner to measure and to value the concepts of success and happiness. Maybe Generation Y is the right one to lead this transition, since young people have demonstrated more concern about environment preservation, social equality, democracy,

ethical principles, sustainable development and other important questions related to the globe's future. Maybe Generation Y can take advantage of its variety of skills and interests in order to promote new opportunities of working at the same time as they are changing the face of the world.



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The Hollywood Page

By Jihye Choi

Blake Lively and Ryan Reynolds got married!

Gossip Girl star Blake Lively and Ryan Reynolds got married on Sunday night of September 10th 2012 at Boon Hall, South Carolina. They were co-stars in the movie 'Green Lantern' and they have been dating for a year. Ryan is 10 years older than Blake and he was married with Scarlett Johansson in 2008 but they divorced 2 years later.

5 Movies to Watch in 2012

1. Skyfall 007.

Plot

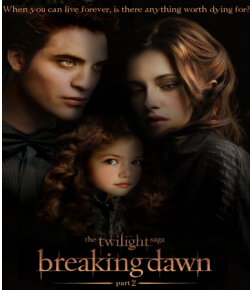
Bond's loyalty to M is tested as her past comes back to haunt her.



Release Date: November 9.

Starring: Daniel Craig, Judi Dench, Javier Bardem.

2.The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn - Part2



Plot

After the birth of Renesmee, the Cullens gather other vampire clans in order to protect the child from a false allegation that puts the family in front of the Volturi.

Release Date: November 16.

Starring: Kristen Stewart, Robert Pattinson, Taylor Lautner.

3.The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey2



Plot

A curious Hobbit, Bilbo Baggins, journeys to the Lonely Mountain with a vigorous group of Dwarves to reclaim a treasure stolen from them by the dragon Smaug.

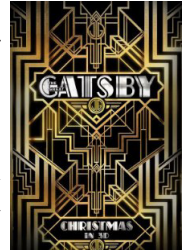
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Starring: Martin Freeman, Ian McKellen, Richard Armitage

4. The Great Gatsby

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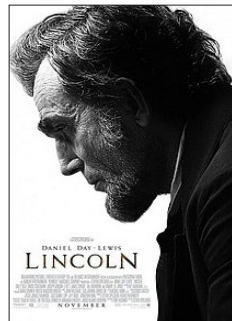
Nick Carraway, a Midwesterner now living on Long Island, finds himself fascinated by the mysterious past and lavish lifestyle of his neighbor, Jay Gatsby. He is drawn into Gatsby's circle, becoming a witness to obsession and tragedy.



Release Date: December 25

Starring: Leonardo DiCaprio, Carey Mulligan, Joel Edgerton

5.Lincoln



Plot

As the Civil War nears its end, President Abraham Lincoln clashes with members of his cabinet over the issue of abolishing slavery.

Release Date: December

Starring: Daniel Day-Lewis, Joseph Gordon-Levitt, Tommy Lee Jones

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