

Melody & Jia, pen pals (current perspective on calligraphy and writing)

1. Name, age, school.
2. What are some of your favorite hobbies? Specifically, explain your calligraphy and pen pal practices (Instagram acc).
3. When was the first time you realized you loved decorative handwriting? Any childhood experiences?
4. Why do you enjoy calligraphy now? Do you find it relaxing?
5. How did you learn calligraphy? School? YouTube videos?
6. Tell us about the technical side of this art. (Exercises for fluidity? Different styles / fonts? Tools?)
7. What have you found challenging about refining your penmanship? Any other challenges you've faced in your experiences of pen palling?
8. Do you think penmanship is important? Why or why not?
9. How did you develop your distinct handwriting? What has influenced your style?
10. Do you think you can tell much about a person from their handwriting?
11. How do you think your handwriting reflects your personality?
12. What can you tell about Jia's/Melody's personality from her handwriting?
13. Tell us about your pen pal exchange with Jia/Melody. What is your relationship with her like? How has it changed over time?
14. How does calligraphy play a role in your letters and connection with Jia/Melody?
15. Tell the story of the first time you got a letter from Jia/Melody. What stood out to you about her letter?
16. Any other stories that you can tell us about pen palling or handwriting?
17. What do you find beautiful about Jia's/Melody's handwriting?
18. Can you show us some of your letters? Tell us about them.
19. How long are you planning to be pen pals? What role does calligraphy play in the future?
20. Do you have anything else to add?