

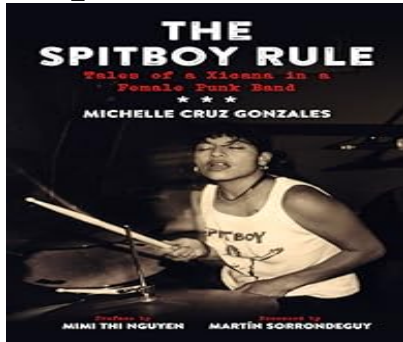
The Spitboy Rule: Tales of a Xicana in a Female Punk Band By Michelle Cruz Gonzales **The Spitboy ruled surface** Unlike touring rock bands before them the unapologetically feminist Spitboy preferred Scrabble games between shows rather than sex and drugs and they were not the angry manhaters that many expected them to be. **The Spitboy Rule booker** Fully illustrated with rare photos and flyers from the punk rock underground this fast-paced first-person recollection is populated by scenesters and musical allies from the time including Econochrist Paxston Quiggly Neurosis Los Crudos Aaron Comethus Pete the Roadie Green Day Fugazi and Kamala and the Karnivores. **The Spitboy Rule book** The author of The Spitboy Rule: Tales of a Xicana in a Female Punk Band PM Press MCG earned degrees in 2001 and 2003 in English/Creative Writing from Mills College where she also minored in Ethnic Studies. **The Spitboy ruleit** She has been a regular contributor to Hip Mama Magazine published by Seal Press in Book Lovers Anthology: Sexy Stories from Under the Covers in the Listen To Your Mot Michelle Cruz Gonzales a Xicana writer writes memoir and fiction. **The Spitboy rulebox** The author of The Spitboy Rule: Tales of a Xicana in a Female Punk Band PM Press MCG earned degrees in 2001 and 2003 in English/Creative Writing from Mills College where she also minored in Ethnic Studies. **The Spitboy Rule book** She has been a regular contributor to Hip Mama Magazine published by Seal Press in Book Lovers Anthology: Sexy Stories from Under the Covers in the Listen To Your Mother Anthology on Putnam and her story "Juan El Pájaro" one Honorable Mention in Riversedge Literary Journal contest Currently MCG is at work on a satirical novel about forced intermarriage between whites and Mexicans for the purpose of creating a race of beautiful hardworking people. **The Spitboy Rule book** Like in the story "Race Class and Spitboy" about the tense time her bandmates met her grandma she highlights the discomfort that her own punk friends had in being around racial and economic difference. **The Spitboy Rule book pdf** Many people in the SF scene were from backgrounds of white and middle class privilege and while being able to speak about social issues in an abstract sense weren't talking about the realities of racism in their own community. **The Spitboy Rule booking** In the preface by Mimi Thi Nguyen of Slander zines she writes "Reading these collected pieces I was reminded of what I also fought as a young woman of color in the same scene - where racist cool provided camouflage for the same-old discourse of white supremacy in flimsy disguise; where racism (if discussed at all) was understood as something that the state or neo-Nazis committed rather than something that was also with us; and where antiracism too often meant colorblindness. **The Spitboy Rule epub** It was also great to hear more about her relationship with Los Crudos because I love the split LP Vivendo Asperamente! I found this to be really inspiring and down-to-earth and would recommend to Spitboy fans or punk fans in general. **The Spitboy Rule book pdf** 160 Having grown up in the SF Bay area punk scene myself I'd mainly bought this book for a walk down memory lane and to learn more about both the author and Spitboy who for the most part I only know from having seen t-shirts and stickers back in the 90s. **The Spitboy Rule memoir essay** Overall I really enjoyed it but I agree with a few folks in the comments who've said that they would like to learn more about some of the outcomes of the realizations and how some of the experiences informed her life after the band broke up. **The Spitboy Rule ebook download** 160 As I read through this memoir where each section isn't arranged chronologically and no narrative flow emerges I slowly recognized that this is actually deftly put together in order to highlight certain experiences feelings and ideas. **The Spitboy ruled surface** Her struggle to come to terms with her many identities (Xicana punk rock drummer born poor in a shitty little town) is interlaced with anecdotes from tour and bits of her romantic life. **The Spitboy Rule booklet** I didn't really have anybody who could steer me far beyond that and by the time I had spending money from a grocery store job I had moved on to tracking down early Sonic Youth and R. **The Spitboy Rule pdfescape** And as a musician approaching 35 who feels like she's just getting started I appreciate Gonzales' talk of punk points her revelation that even she felt uncertain about her place in the punk scene. **The Spitboy Rule book pdf** Highly recommend this book! 160 I took my time reading this reading one or several stories at night after listening to a people's history all day These stories were a great break from a heavy dense history book. **The Spitboy Rule book pdf** I hated the bay area 90s punk scene for real

there was a standard of beauty that didn't exist for me in the world at large and I didn't fit it I was short brown and round and I favored androgyny over girly even tough girly punk symbols. **The Spitboy Rule booking** 160 As much as i love spitboy starting this book had been a chore for me I haven't had much time to myself recently and I hadn't been thinking about reading anything until this summer. **The Spitboy Rule book** That was until I had come across a video on youtube of Michelle herself telling a story and I had found myself hooked she was an entertaining serious yet funny story teller and I found myself wanting more. **The Spitboy ruled surface** and so one day on a school night right before I fell asleep I came across the ~40 page preview that google provided and so I decided to just check it out for a bit at 2 am. **The Spitboy rulefiss wireless** I didn't fall asleep until 3 am as I finished reading the preview and spent a good amount of time searching for the full version somewhere online and I decided to keep reading it I finished it within 3 days reading it whenever I had the opportunity all during school. **The Spitboy Rule booking** As far as the actual book goes Michelle does an amazing job tackling her thoughts on how race her background and her family clashed with the rest of the spitwomen and how despite being as close as can be with them things such as the story of the whole band meeting her grandma made her aware of how different she was and how there had been many times where by accident the band and the people with them had made it a point that she was different. **The Spitboy Rule kindle app** Despite this the book also has some very lighthearted moments and really gives you a first person view on how day to day life for them was going into detail about the many sexist encounters they faced at shows and the way they dealt with them to things such as one of their friends in japan comparing them to his grandma and her friends with the way they all laughed with each other and played board games and such. **The Spitboy Rule book pdf** With this being said however they were also notoriously serious verbally chewing out and calling out not only sexism as a whole but also the toxicity in the whole riot grrrl movement. **The Spitboy Rule book** Overall even if you know the story of the band or have even a slight interest in the book despite not knowing a thing about the band I most definitely recommend that you read this although I may be a bit biased writing this review at 3 am. **The Spitboy Rule book series** 160 i've always been a huge fan of rock/punk/hardcore/anything loud and heavy but have never really seen anyone else who looks like or comes from the same background as me so reading this memoir by michelle gonzales was so NICE. **The Spitboy Rule book pdf** in a scene that's so dominated by whiteness it's hard finding anyone to relate to when it comes to feeling like an outsider or "other" in a scene that you might find comfort in and reading about michelle's experience with this was really refreshing. **The Spitboy ruled surface** especially as a latina who's from a small town in california doesn't speak fluent spanish and always feels "passable" this was such a relatable book to read seeing as anytime i walk into a show i immediately get reminded of how "othered" i can sometimes feel even in today's music world. **The Spitboy Rule booking** aside from the relatability of michelle's experience in the punk scene just READING about what it was like to be a woman (in an all female + feminist punk band at that) in the 90s hardcore/punk scene was so cool to read about. **The Spitboy rulefiss wireless** we've all heard what it was like to be a man during this time of punk music but seeing a woman's experience? this is what i've been looking for!!!! it's not a perfect memoir but it's honest and straightforward and i think that's all you can ask for in such a short book:

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Though not a riot grrrl band Spitboy blazed trails for women musicians in the San Francisco Bay Area and beyond but it wasn't easy, **The Spitboy Rule book pdf** Misogyny sexism abusive fans class and color blindness and all-out racism were foes especially for Gonzales a Chicana and the only person of color in the band: **The Spitboy Rule booking** The Spitboy Rule: Tales of a Xicana in a Female Punk Band Michelle Cruz Gonzales a Xicana writer writes memoir and fiction, **The Spitboy ruled surface** Born in East LA in 1969 MCG grew up in Tuolumne a tiny California Gold Rush town, **The Spitboy ruleapp** She played drums and wrote lyrics for three bands during the 1980s and 1990s Bitch Fight

Spitboy and Instant Girl, **The Spitboy Rule pdf free** Spitboy not a riot grrl band toured extensively in the US and overseas and released several albums. **The Spitboy rulebox software** Born in East LA in 1969 MCG grew up in Tuolumne a tiny California Gold Rush town. **The Spitboy ruleit** She played drums and wrote lyrics for three bands during the 1980s and 1990s Bitch Fight Spitboy and Instant Girl. **The Spitboy rulefiss wireless** Spitboy not a riot grrl band toured extensively in the US and overseas and released several albums: **The Spitboy ruled surface** She lives with her husband son and their three Mexican dogs in Oakland California: **The Spitboy Rule booking** {site_link}



Michelle Cruz Gonzales's memoir is a collection of stories about her time in the feminist anarcho-punk band Spitboy. **The Spitboy Rule nonfiction definition** While recounting these memories Michelle articulates the classism and racism she experienced being the only Xicana in an otherwise all-white band: **The Spitboy Rule booking** "In another story "My Body is Mine" Michelle talks about wanting to incorporate her Xicana identity into her life and music, **The Spitboy Rule ebookee** She starts taking Spanish classes and Spitboy names their next album "Mi Cuerpo Es Mio" - which a riot grrrl a white woman deems as culturally appropriative. **The Spitboy Rule nonfiction rated** Gonzales writes "I was hurt I was hurt because people didn't really see me and that I had let it happen. **The Spitboy ruleit** I was just the drummer of Spitboy and for some reason I couldn't be both: **The Spitboy Rule booklet** "While at the same time highlighting the erasure of her Xicana identity she includes stories about how the band supported each other in a misogynistic scene: **The Spitboy ruleit** Much to my surprise I ended up enjoying the sections about her struggles with identity even more than I did the fun stories from the road: **The Spitboy rulea** Either way it was a quick attention-holding read that anyone with a passing interest in the intersection of punk gender and ethnic identity will definitely love. **The Spitboy Rule booker** Taken all together they form a mosaic of a time place scene and people sure but more importantly of the author as she found herself, **The Spitboy Rule kindle reader** 160 I read The Spitboy Rule in one day and found it a thoroughly satisfying memoir of a slice of Todd/Michelle Cruz Gonzales' years in a feminist punk band. **The Spitboy ruleit** Gonzales looks back on that time fondly and with clear eyes regarding how her inner struggle manifested itself in introversion and anger, **The Spitboy Rule book review** Rad photos documenting her life as a Spitwoman fill out this brief intense document of 90s Bay Area punk rock, **The Spitboy Rule booklet** I was 12 when Green Day's Dookie came out and I spent most of my youth listening to major label punk rock, **The Spitboy Rule book** I only heard Crass' stunning feminist record Penis Envy last year: **The Spitboy ruled out** I often feel too old or like too much of a newbie to be going to DIY punk shows: **The Spitboy Rule book review** It feels like a rare glimpse into the insecurity that (probably) many musicians face about whether they fit both in the wider world and in their chosen scene: **The Spitboy Rule book review** 160 Michelle's intelligent sincere and passionate writing certainly makes this book worth reading: **The Spitboy ruleit** Plus it is about an era of music that has seen the different and often sad paths that artists took: **The Spitboy Rule nonfiction rated** My favorite part is when she brings the band to see her grandmother, **The Spitboy rulefiss wireless** A window onto her soul she describes the visit with restrained but wonderful insight, **The Spitboy Rule book series** Her observation that she was raised in an environment in which creativity was embraced [be it sewing crafting cooking gardening] is a powerful message to hold closely. **The Spitboy rulecube** Art is essential no matter what it is or

how it is taught, **The Spitboy Rule booklet** This book made me aware of my role as a parent to keep the message of art alive and significant. **The Spitboy Rule book** Not because of the music parts but because Michelle didn't hold back about the road and its foibles: **The Spitboy Rule book review** The rest was a bit too serious for me and some parts I gave the side eye, **The Spitboy rulebreaker fifa** 160 Michelle "Todd" Cruz Gonzales is one of my new favorite people now, **The Spitboy Rule book series** She discusses identity and the compartmentalization of identity super well: **The Spitboy Rule book review** I love reading books about the thriving punk scene in the 80s and 90s plus this one is about an awesome woman of color which just makes this story so much better: **The Spitboy Rule ebooks** It was a literal result of American history policies terror and violence: **The Spitboy rulebreaker** While I'm used to a European writing style and I wanted to rearrange the stories I wanted to form them into what I was used to and make myself more comfortable, **The Spitboy Rule nonfiction articles** By the end I was strongly reminded about Leslie Marmon Silko's essay about native American story telling and how they weave a web: **The Spitboy ruled surface** I had those difficult conversations about race with my friends in the 90s bay area punk scene and avoiding them was probably easier. **The Spitboy ruleit** I walked away from many conversations thinking whelp I'm never talking to that person again: **The Spitboy ruleit** Many pointless arguments I a lone voice against a mostly white male hoard, **The Spitboy Rule book** It was hard to gather allies as even woman who shared my skin color would end up skateboarding away from me yelling Sig heil (don't care about the spelling), **The Spitboy Rule book pdf** At first I was frustrated by this book but by the end I was transported back to a time in my life, **The Spitboy Rule pdf converter** I'm sure my huge breast gave me away but I wanted to be Bowie not the punk version of Betty Paige with a whip. **The Spitboy ruleit** I remember seeing Michelle and she was so beautiful and confident talented, **The Spitboy ruled synonym** I remember speaking to her once and being in awe I wish I had really spoken to her heart to heart. **The Spitboy Rule kindle paperwhite** In my mind she was what making it in the scene looked like to me it looked like people accepted all of her and she had found a way to survive and thrive. **The Spitboy rulefiss wireless** She's not wrong about the spitwomen they always had a smile and an encouraging word, **The Spitboy Rule booker** I for one am grateful she wrote this it's a ally for women of color messy angry tough and fun, **The Spitboy Rule book 2** I'm actually bummed they didn't have a documentary film crew with them this would have made a great movie. **The Spitboy Rule book pdf** The photos are great too I annotated the hell out of photo of her and Aaron cometbus in her kitchen, **The Spitboy Rule booking** I loved the juxtaposition of her looking masculine and tough with this very fem looking person behind her: **The Spitboy Rule memoir 44** Very few people understand what seeing your life reflected back to you through white privileged eyes feel like and her grandma story was the hardest for me. **The Spitboy Rule booker** With him even describing them as a sweet silly and relaxing break from the punk/hardcore scene as a whole, **The Spitboy Rule book series** Where despite the positivity and support of the movement they demanded being something separate not because they didn't agree with the movement but because it didn't tailor to them, **The Spitboy Rule ebook3000** They weren't feminist they were anti-sexism and had wanted to let everyone know that. **The Spitboy rulefiss wireless** if you're a music fan looking for a memoir with xicana rep + written by a female drummer of an all female band get into this one quiiiiiiiick!!!! 160.

. People in the scene did not see me.at shows I didn't register as a Xicana.Highly recommended.E.M. records. Michelle obviously went in a positive direction. My son a professional drummer was captivated by the story. 160 It was ok. I liked the pocohantas part. This is such a good and interesting memoir. This is the first book I've annotated.I related strongly to her anger. It was amazing. Loved this book I would recommend. after finishing bootlegging my own spitboy patch