

Innocent Subversive

If I shaved off
All my hair and
Hailed Hitler,
Pierced every inch
And tattooed "Anarchy"
Across each breast,
Wore bandanas
And made gang signs,
Or kissed other women,
Chose to work in a landfill
And ate octopus every day,
Drank ecoli water for lunch
And bathed only twice per week,
Believed in nirvana,
And lived in a cardboard box,
Begged you for money,
Wore red contacts
And refused to get braces because I liked
The crookedness of my teeth
Then, would you
hang my picture on your precious
constitution
And ask me to give speeches
about what it means
to be free?

-Brea Thomas

