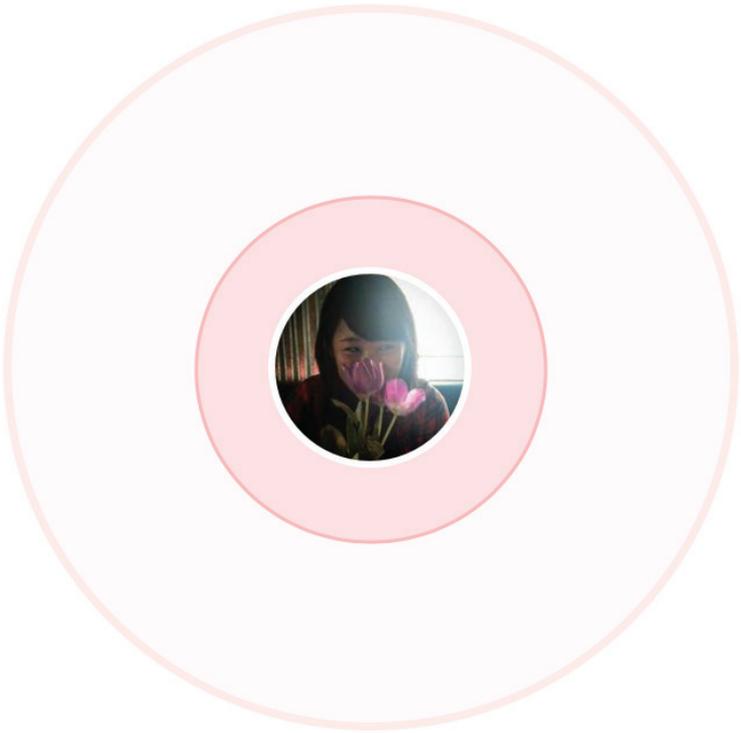
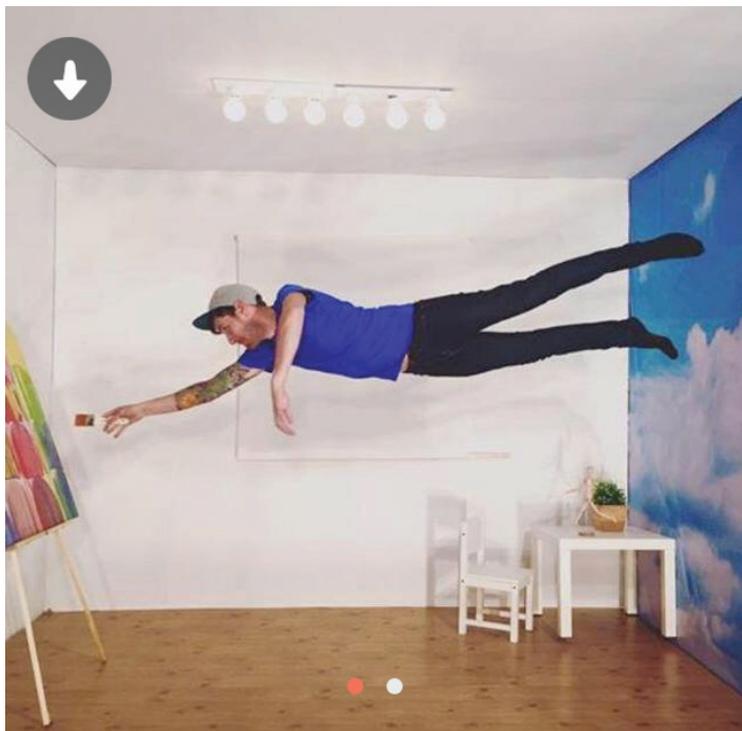


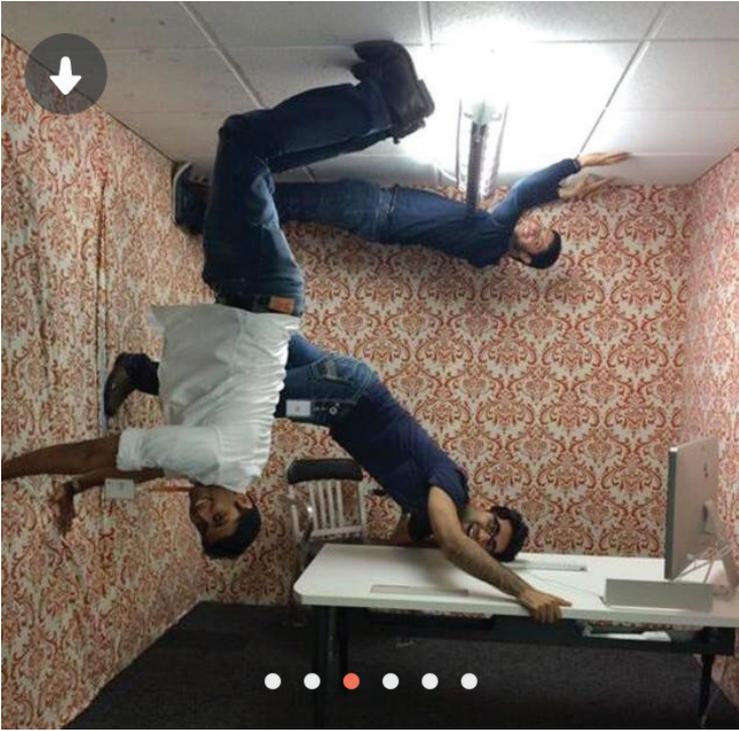
DEFYING GRAVITY

On internet dating and the force of attraction





6'0" hacker heartthrob. love travel, nature's splendor, music, art, indulgence, never-ending curiosity, humility, respect, compassion.



6'1"

In case you were wondering.

I don't take Tinder too seriously. But then, I don't take life too seriously either.



*transplant from south africa; loves easter eggs,
grandparents and broccoli. don't ask me about the war.*



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1 *New to SF! I'm looking for fun new people to enjoy the city with. Friends or a relationship, it's all good.*

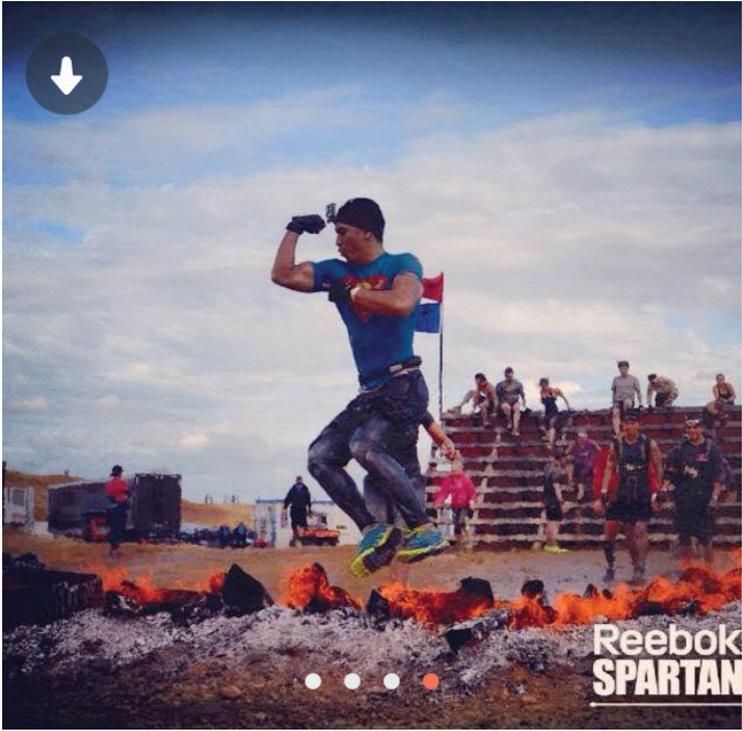


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- 2 *Sometimes Netflix and Chill can just mean Netflix and chilling....
Right? NY born and raised, now a west coaster*
- 3 *London born Cali Grown*



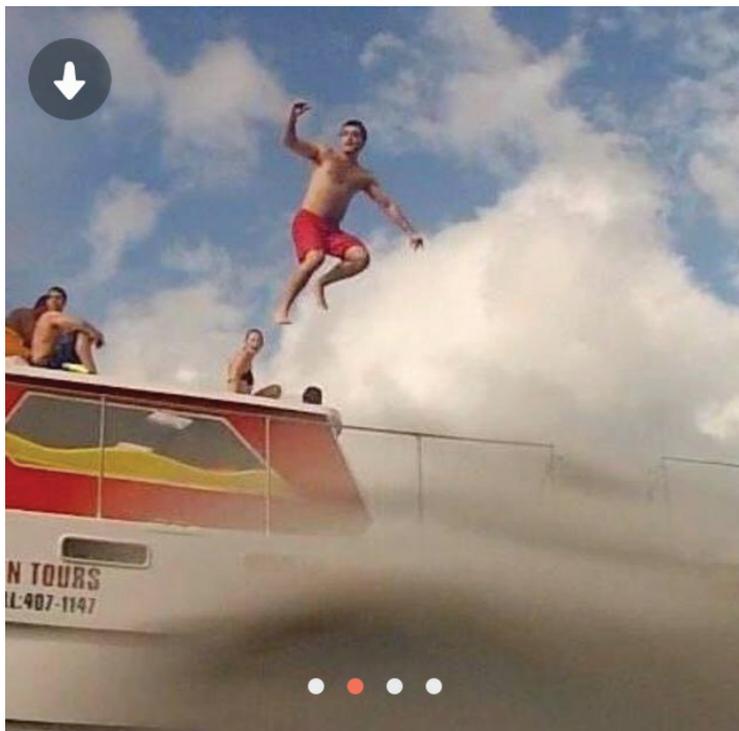
*Boys have swagger... Men have style...
Gentlemen have character.*



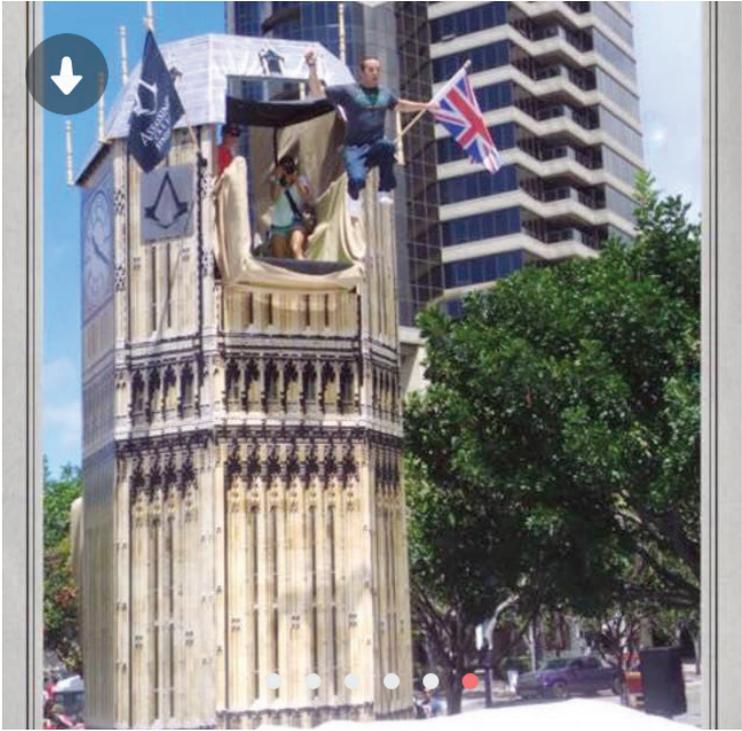
Moved to SF from Chicago after grad school. Scientist and a certified pet lover.

I have many leather bound books...

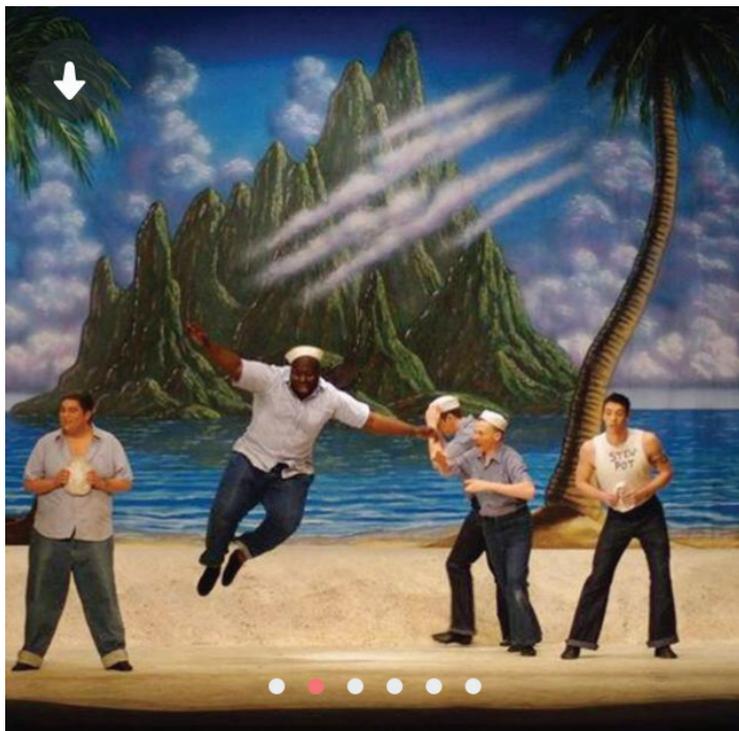
Love the outdoors and being active. Let's explore!



Persian Prince :) Born in Iran, raised in Cali, lived in Grenada, and waiting for the next chapter of my life. I am super laid back so hit me up :)

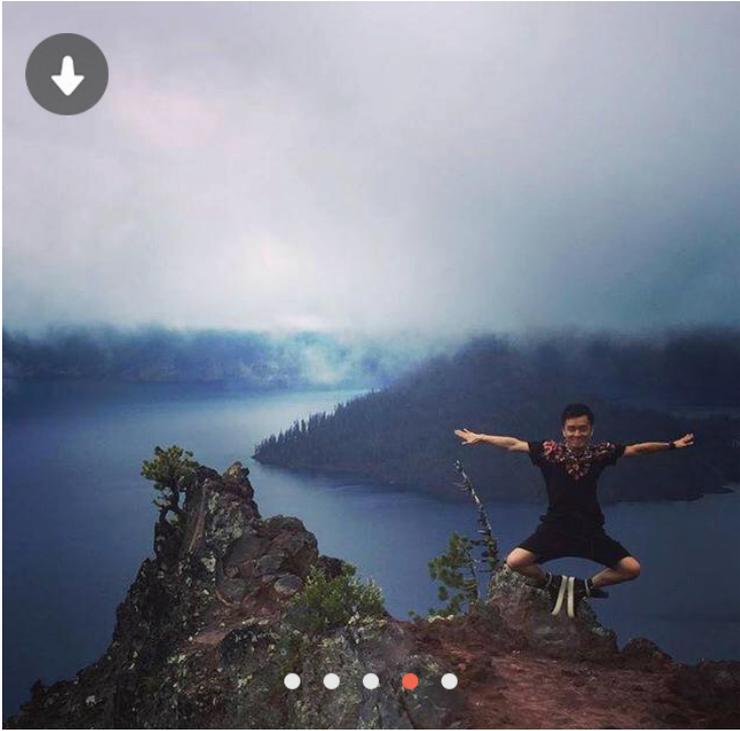


More soul than a sock with a hole



Stokiebàby if ya nasty!

*Let me guess you like hiking and biking?
I like acid and twerk videos.*

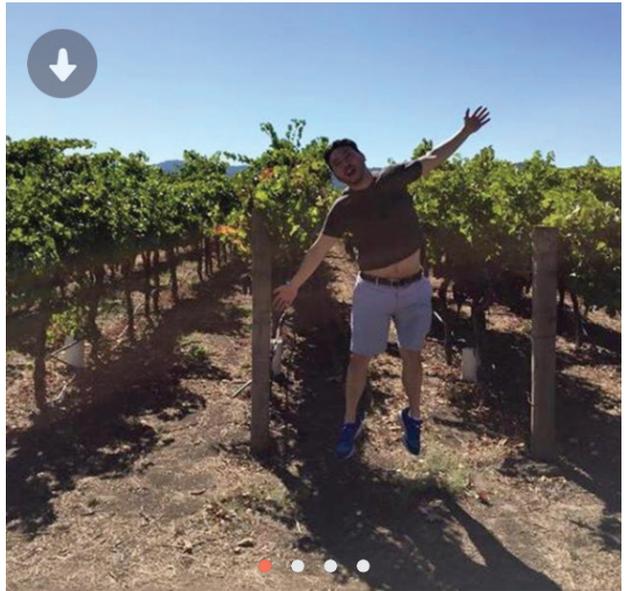


I like all the cool stuffs, I really do:)

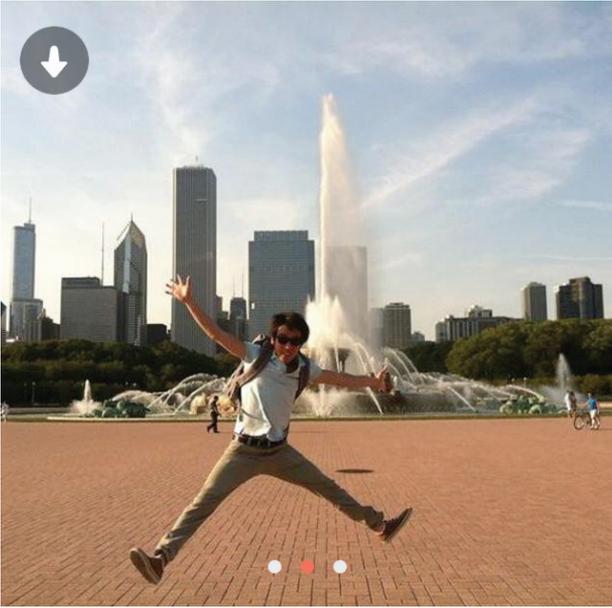
I view Tinder more as a game than a dating app, so I use it mainly for fun. That will be cool too if I happen to make some friends here, but definitely not looking for anything more than that.



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1 *I write for a living and for pleasure. Coffee. Beer. Sports. Live music. Alone time. Company. Into fitness as much as I'm into overeating.*

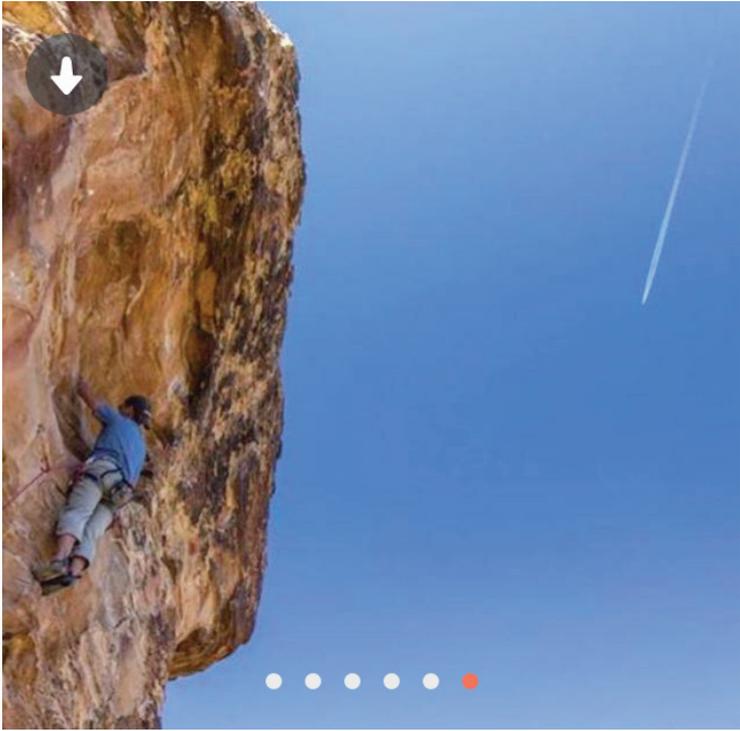


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2 Recently moved to SF from Boston; let's go adventuring in a new awesome place!

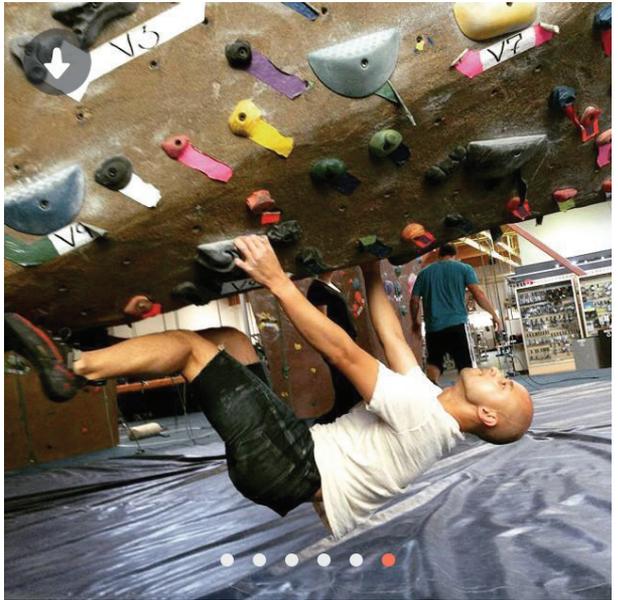


PhD student at Cal. I am in love with anything outdoorsy and active, including: climbing, backpacking, snowboarding, scuba diving, and wildlife photography. I've been to over 40 national parks over the past 5 years.

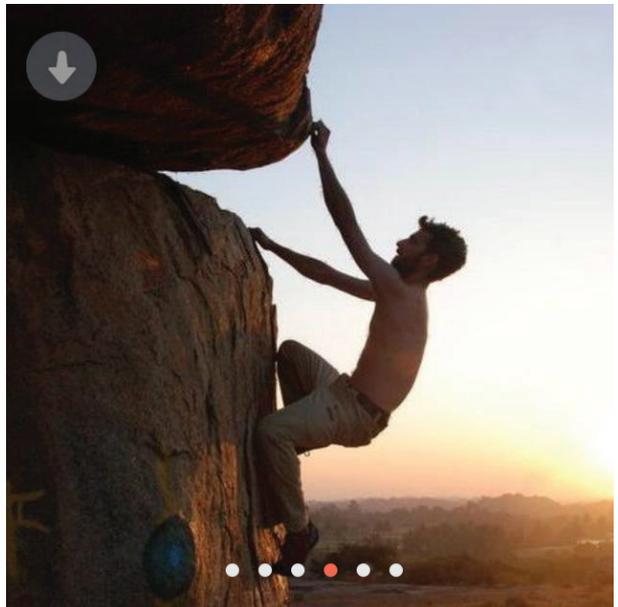


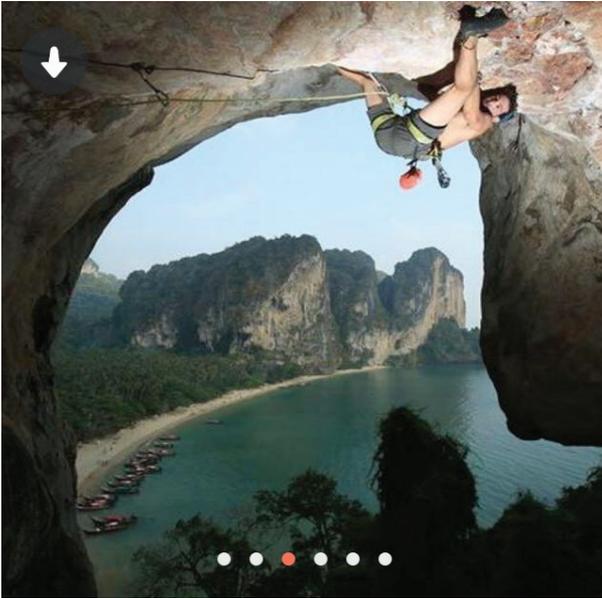
LA --> SD --> TX --> SF. Not-so-secret nerd who also loves the outdoors (especially climbing, camping, snowboarding), traveling/backpacking, good craft beers, and Anaheim Ducks games.

In Paris for one week! California native. Sun, surf, & skateboarding. Googler! Learning French and interested in the French way of life.



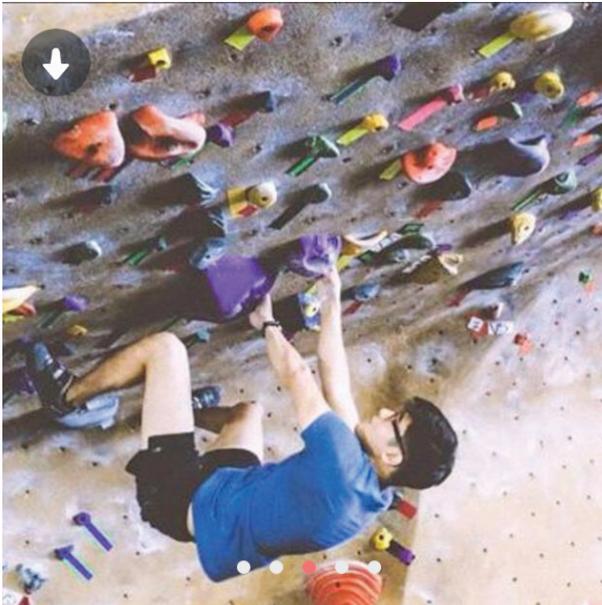
I just moved to Santa Fe via Colorado and Chicago.





*Absurd movement,
sporty adventures,
global travel and
tea.*

*Architecturally
trained, freelance
light designer and
small business
owner.*



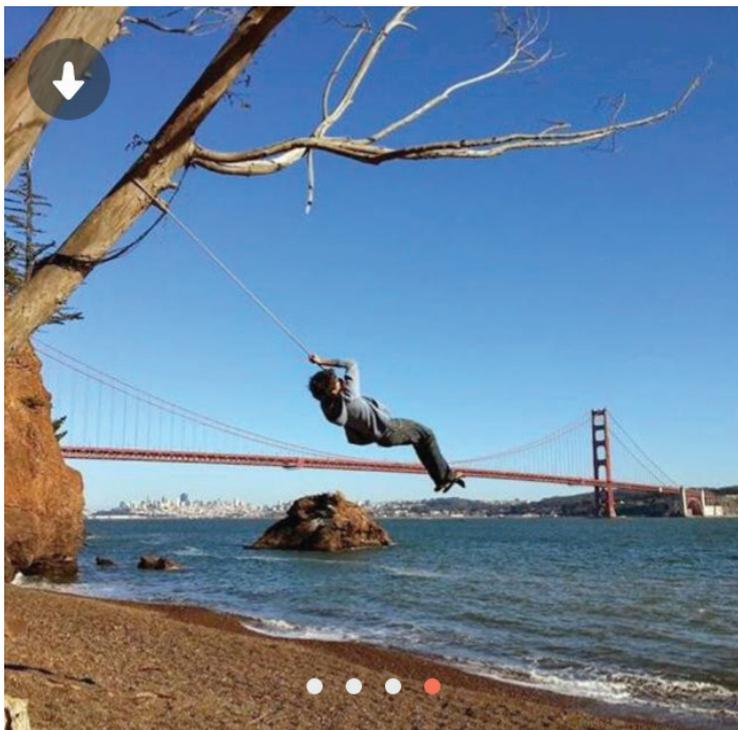
*A coworker once
said my spirit-
animal is a lion:
intimidating at
first, but really just
a big gentle cat on
the inside.*



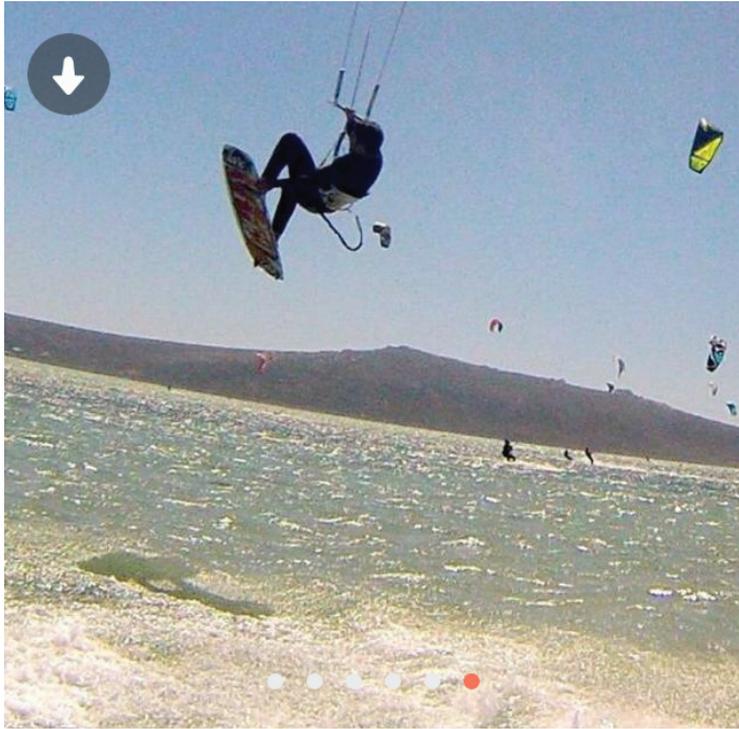
My mom thnks l'm smart, my friends say l'm fun, and the vagrant chained up in my basemen thinks l'm a wonderful cook



I have traveled to 54 countries and 5 continents. I'm a nomad at heart with a deep sense of adventure and a love of jazz and hiphop.



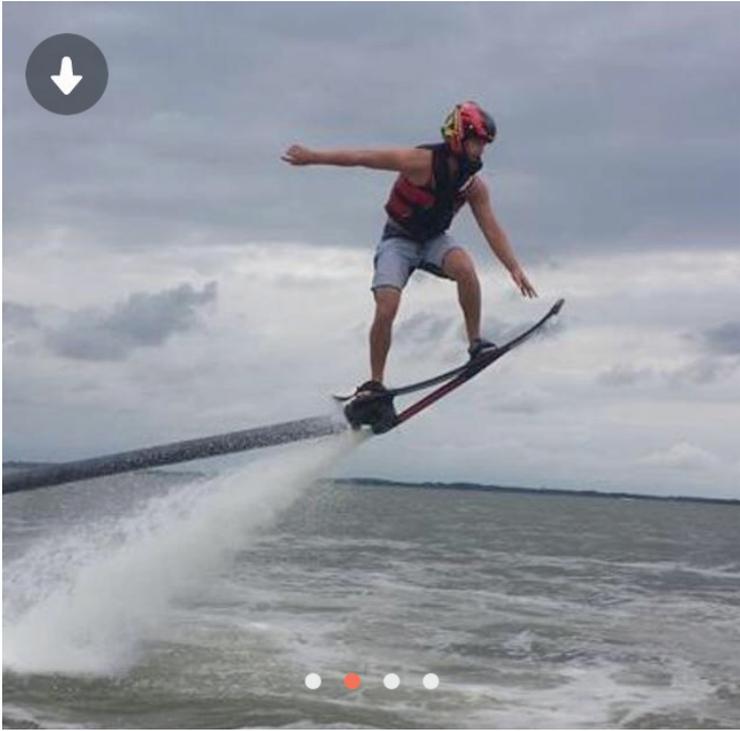
Graduate student in maths. My hobbies are swimming and rock climbing. Also music and eating good food.



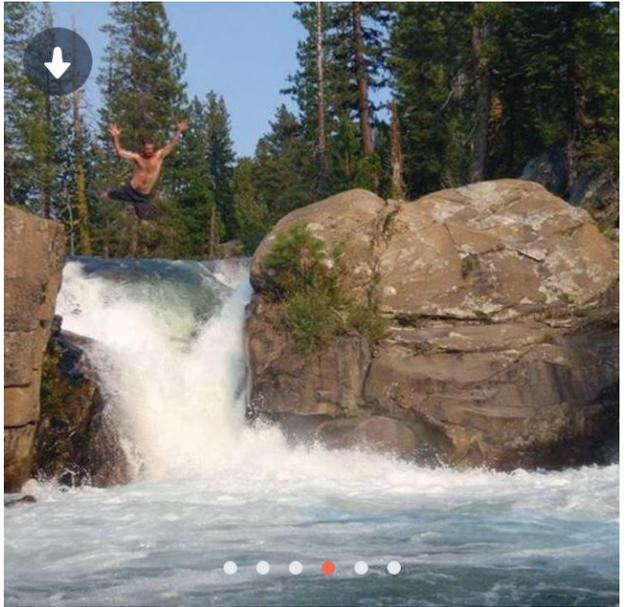
An Irish Structural Engineer who has just moved to sf, really just looking to meet like minded people who like having fun and keeping fit, possibly a social beverage here or there !



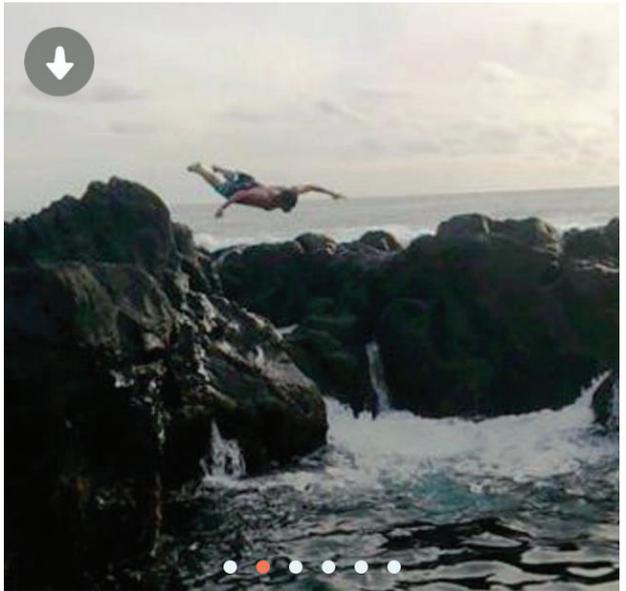
New to SF, Boston transplant, carer for patients, MD/MBA, expert at making unforgettable memories



*From NY..spending some time in SF/LA
Run a marketing sompany.. Sports, good food & snowboarding
are a few hobbies.*



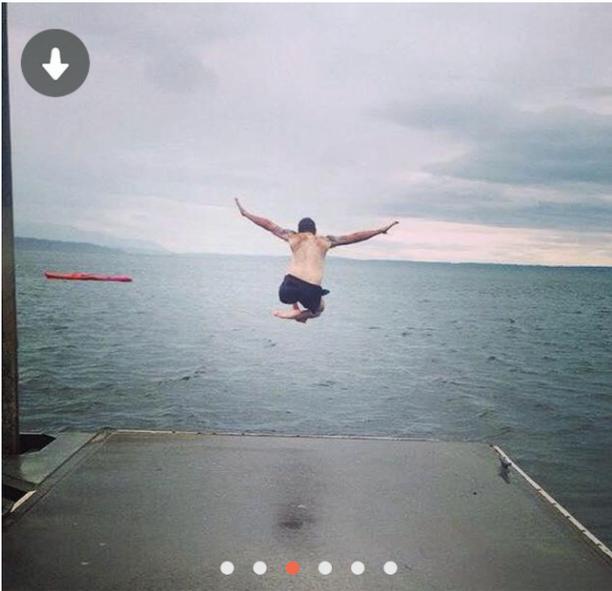
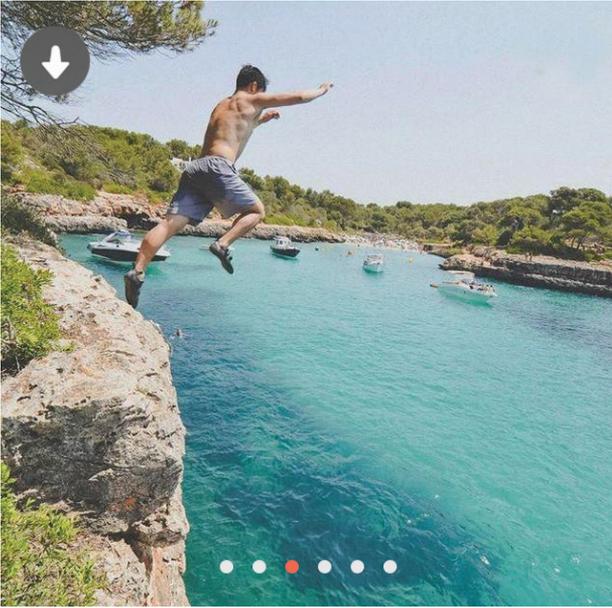
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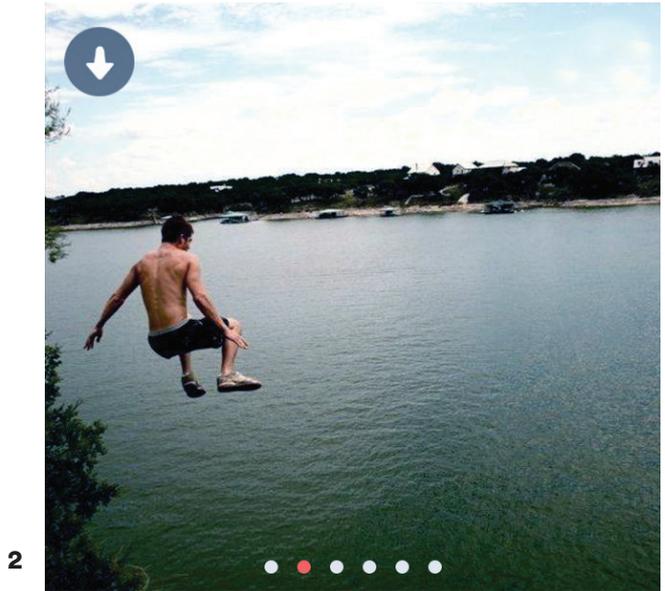
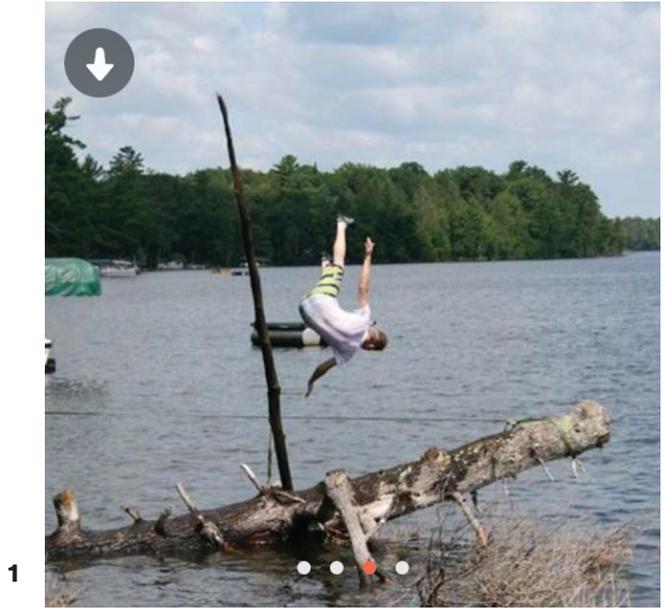
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2 *Transplant from Portugal. Studying architecture. Live and let live.*



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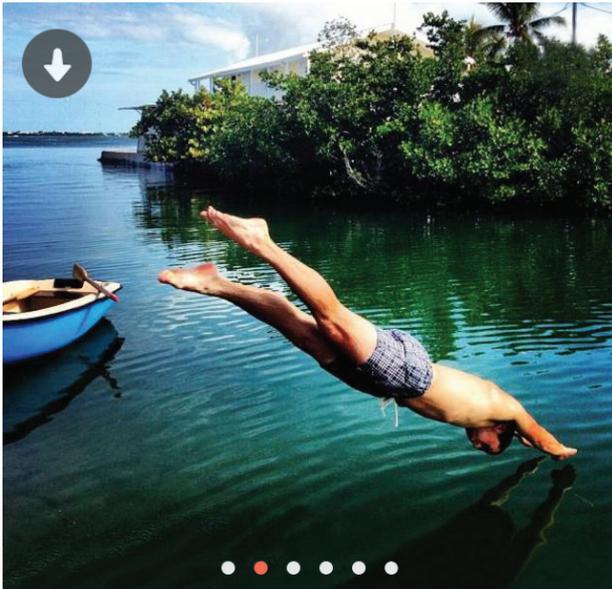
3 *Radical politics, punk, books, social worker, the proletariat and some other shit too.*



- 1 I'm a bay area weekend adventurer with a fondness for the outdoors.*
- 2 Lover of my dog and all things outdoors. Hobbies range widely from rock climbing to cooking.*



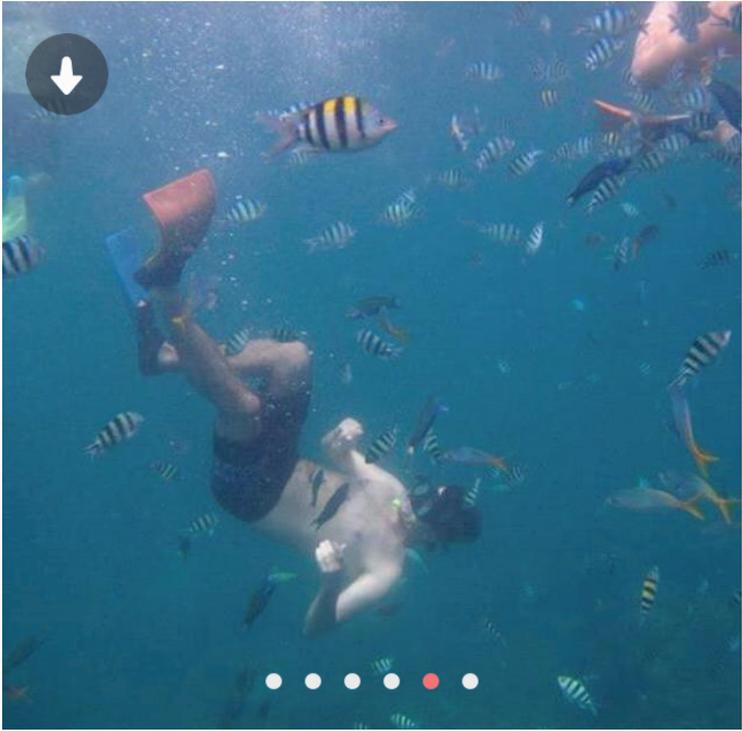
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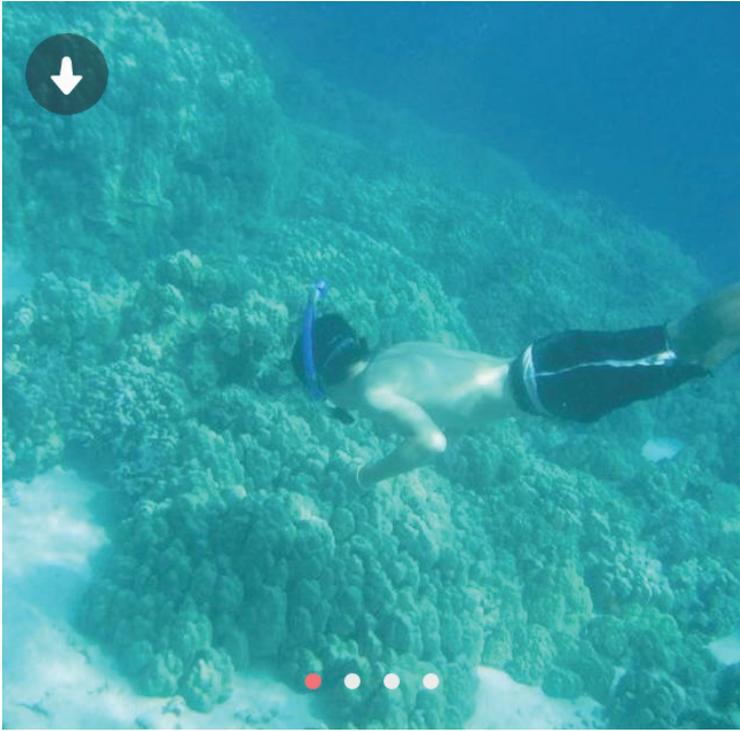
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3 *Wrinkles are sexy. Expose your id. Ready to commit. Lets roll. UC Berkeley.*

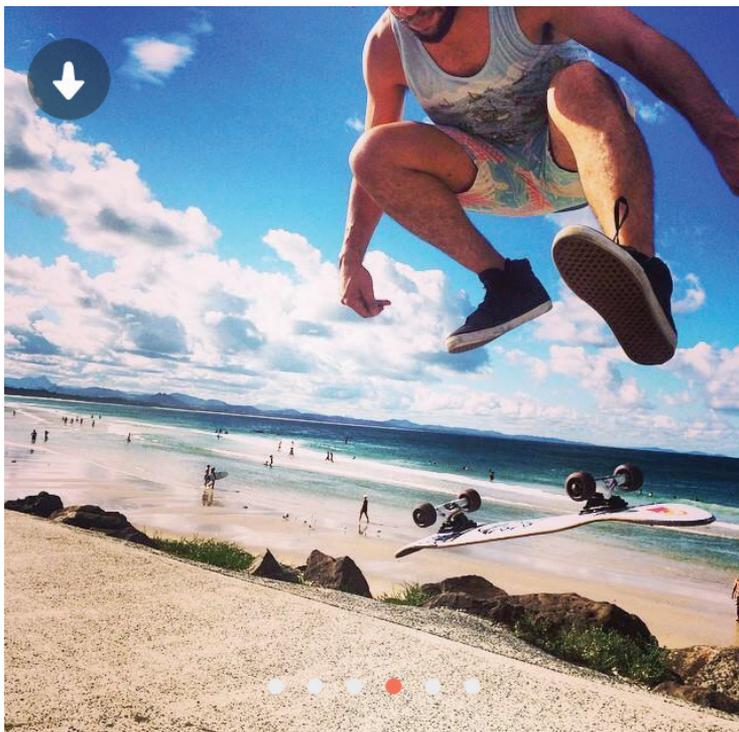
4 *Living in the woods in Brooklyn.*



*Look, I'm not what you'd expect a guy on tinder.
I do want to get to know you.*



*Don't believe in umbrellas.
Hate wearing sun screen.
Cold doesn't bother me.*

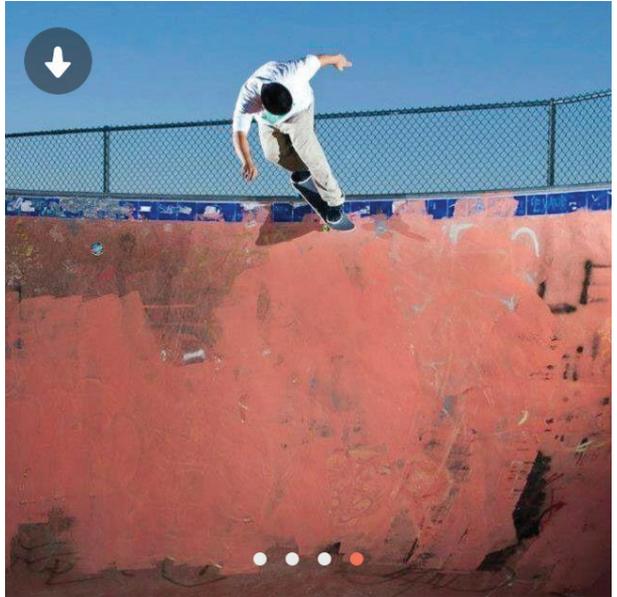


Looking for awesome people to adventure with...

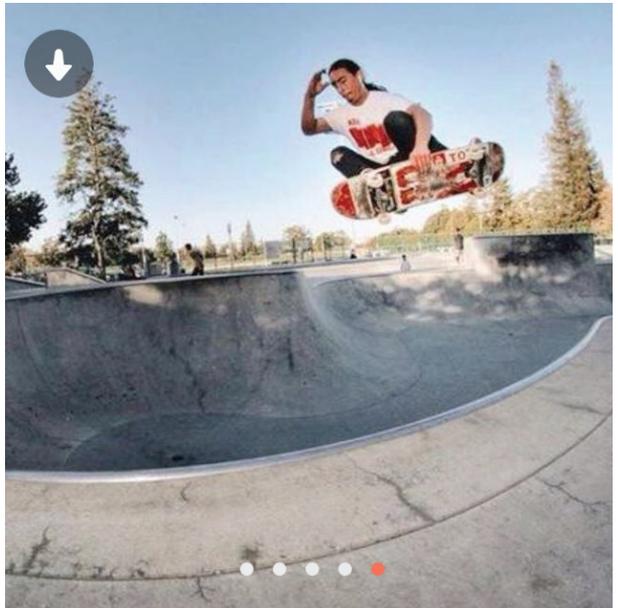


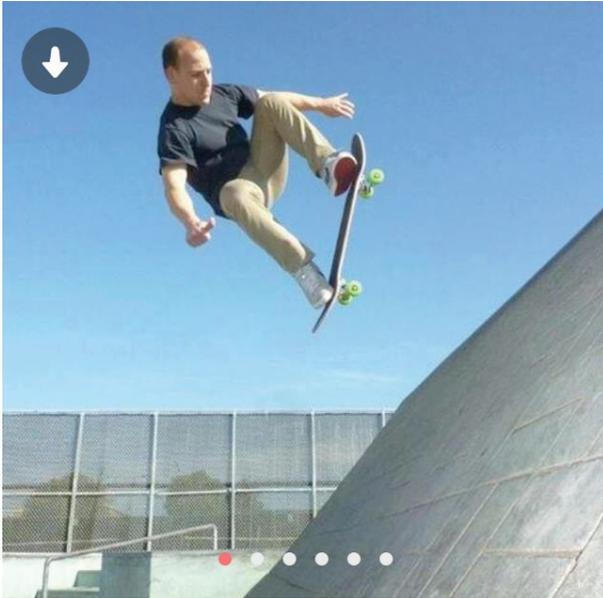
*Kickin it live like a 45. Coffee, beer, and other beverages.
Let's eat everything. Photography, architecture, design & such.
Sf Native.*

*Down for some
nickelodeon splat
and chill.*

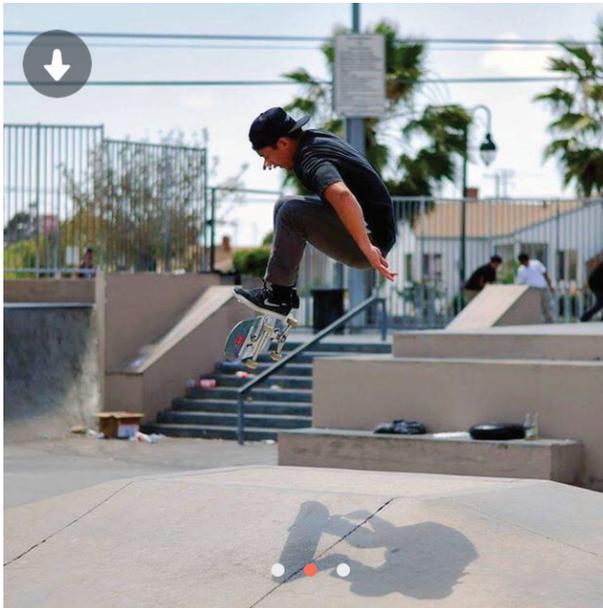


*I'm a
photographer, I
love being outside,
meeting new
people and going
out to spend time
with my friends.*



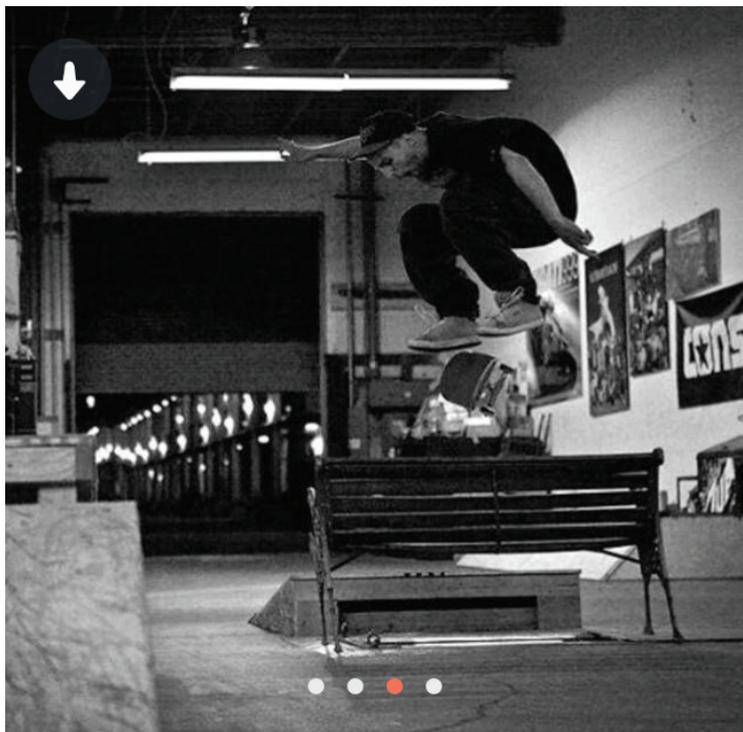


Bartender by day, skateboarder by night. I like to listen to Tame Impala and drink Mezcal and eat squid and watch the Warriors and go on road trips.

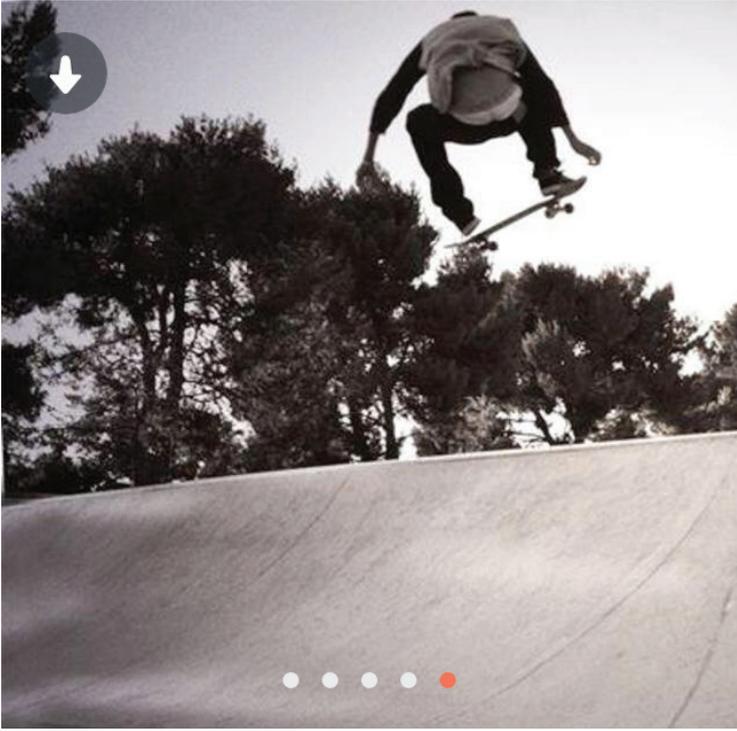


Swipe your game w/ a kick like TLC

I would post a photo of my abs, but I never took a picture of them.



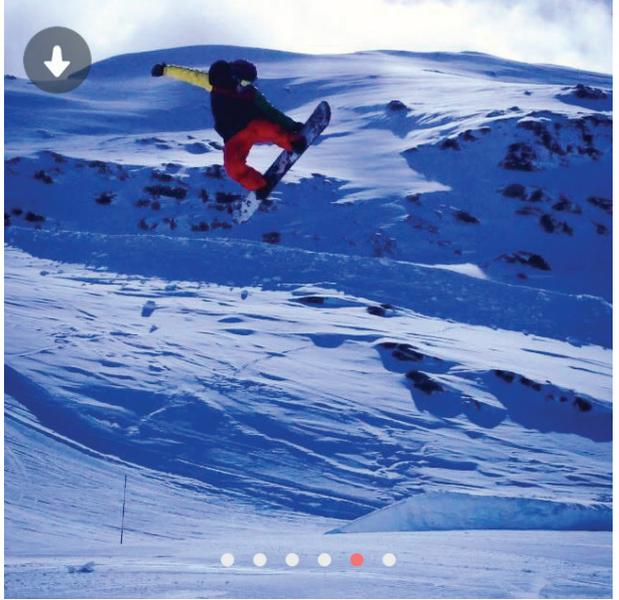
Suburb kid in the city



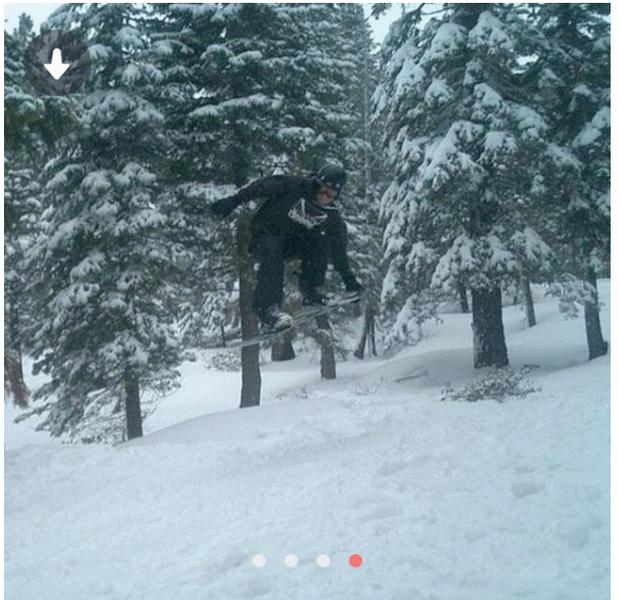
*photography. ,graphics ,design, music, coder enthusiast.
420friendly. Reader of the books on the shelf you don't read.*

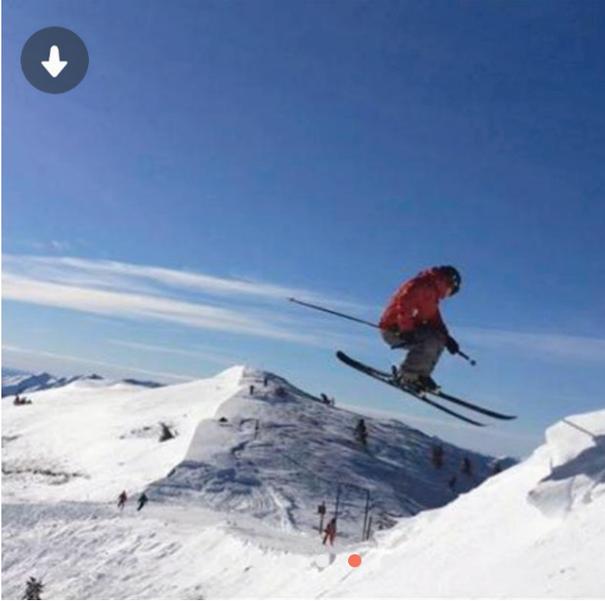
You should think. Outside the box.

*LIVE TO RIDE,
financial trader,
extreme sports
and travel
addicted*

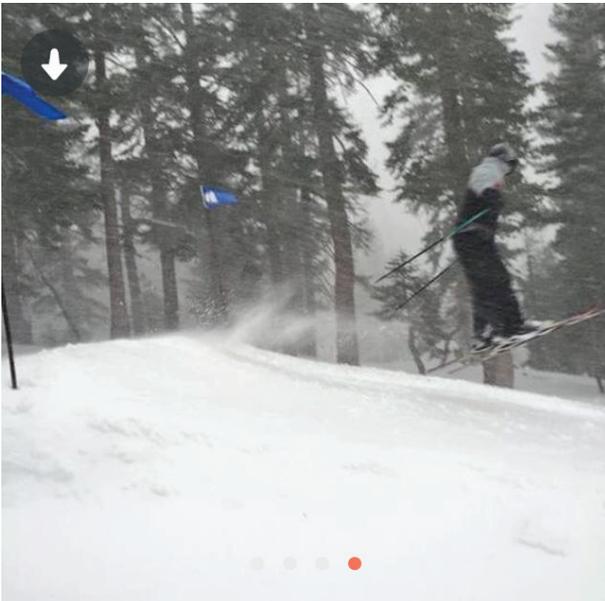


*Berkeley to LA
Always down for
an adventure. I
love the outdoors
but never turn
down a movie
night. Good
conversation
trumps all!*





I didn't get the memo about the new cover sheets for the TPS reports...

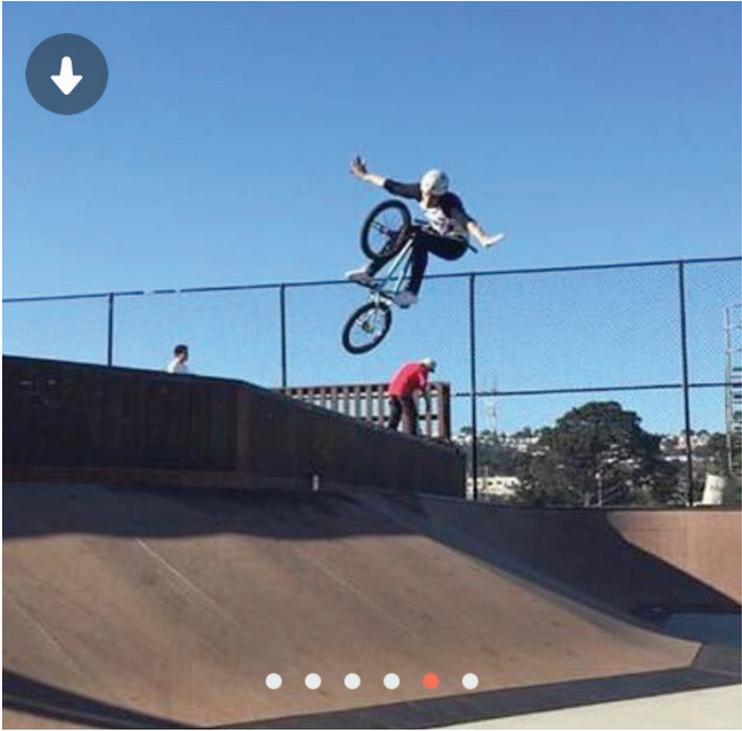


I have the simplest tastes. I am always satisfied with the best.

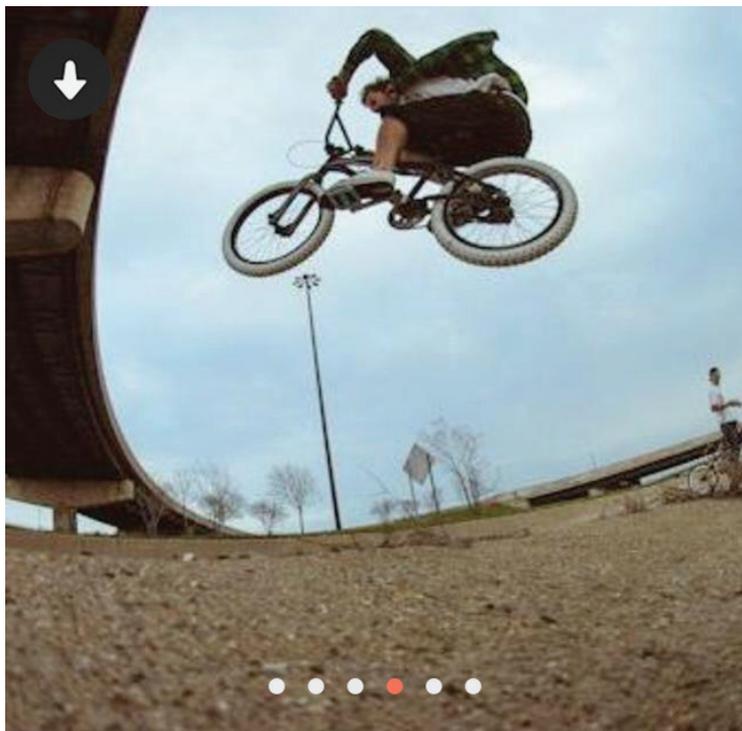
*CTU > ZRH > HNL
> SCE > SJC > JFK
> SFO*



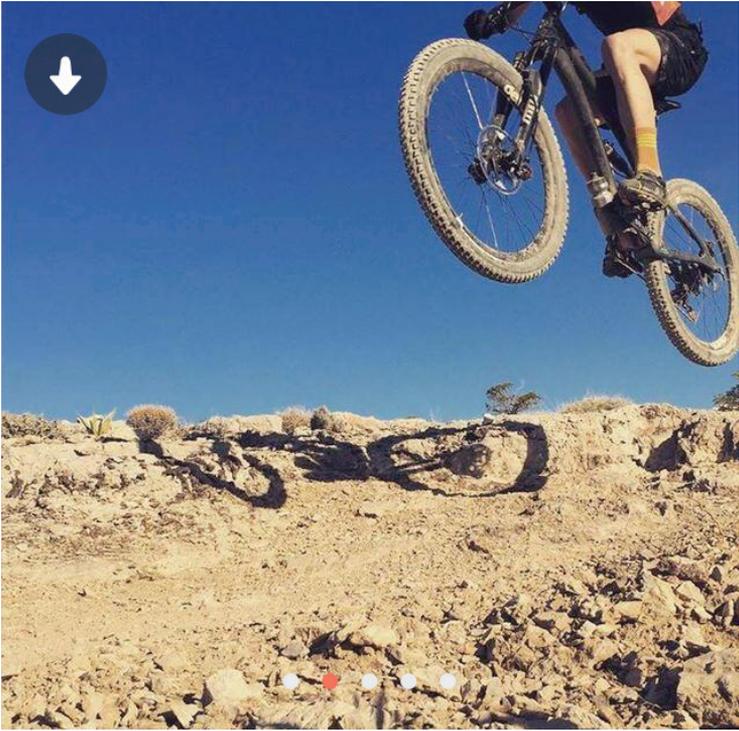
*Austin TX is my home. In San Francisco until Friday!
Tour guide me, yeah?!*



San Francisco. Educated. Athletic. Nerdy. Animator.



Naturally born chillin'. Industrial design days and custom fabrication nights.



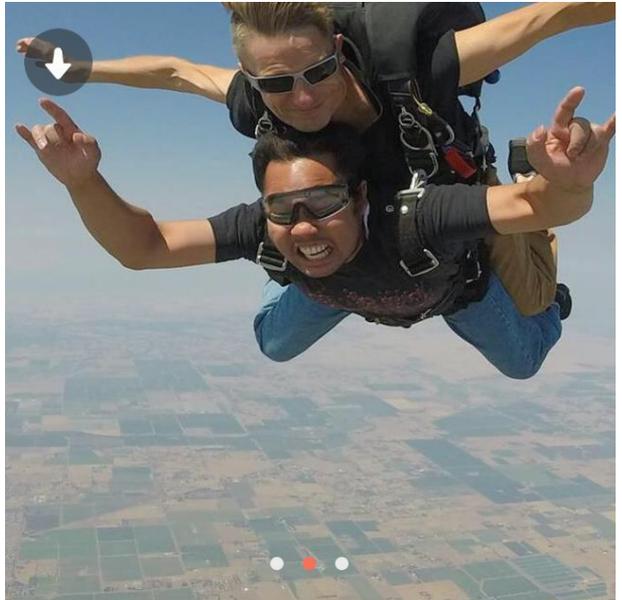
Adrenalin junkie, mountain biker, burner, and yes, a critical thinker.

Deep over tech house; house over breaks; breaks over trap.

*Life is funny...
so laugh. Loving
where I am at in
life right now and
just trying to keep
moving in the right
direction.*

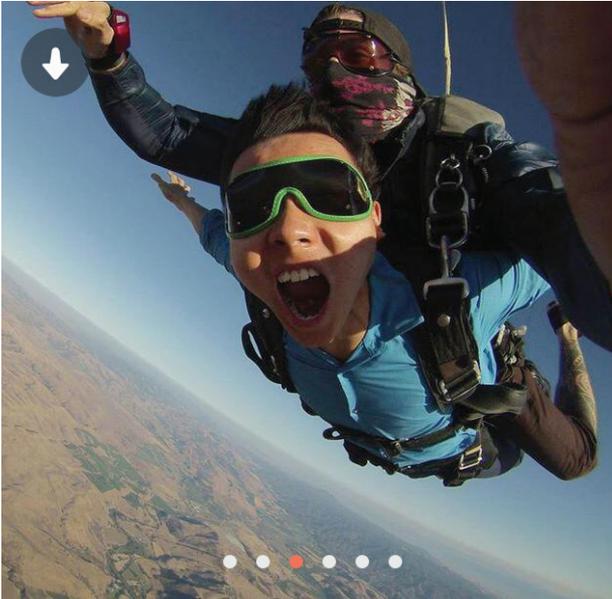


*Born and raised
in SF. I play the
piano and guitar
and can easily
serenade.*



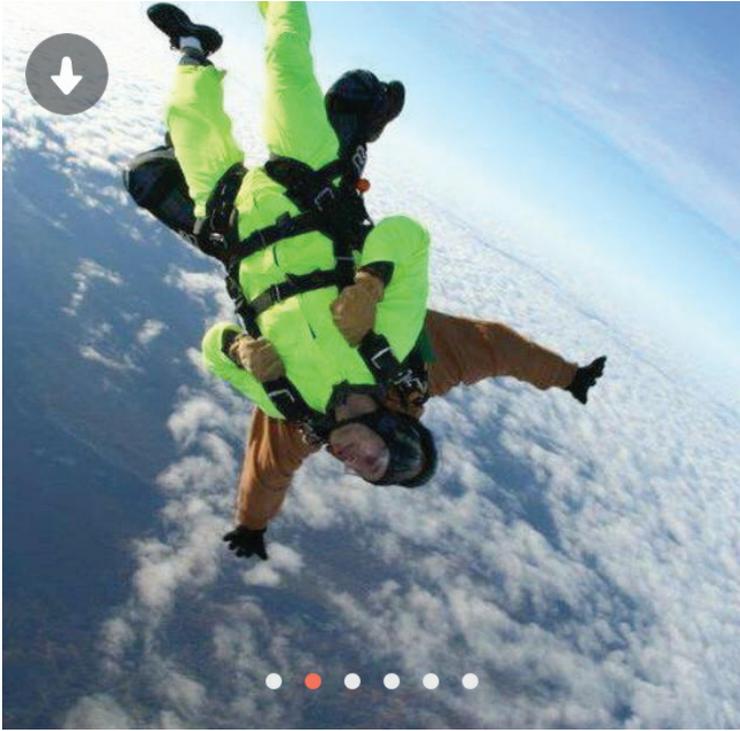


*Take a chance!
Take a leap!
You only live
once!!*

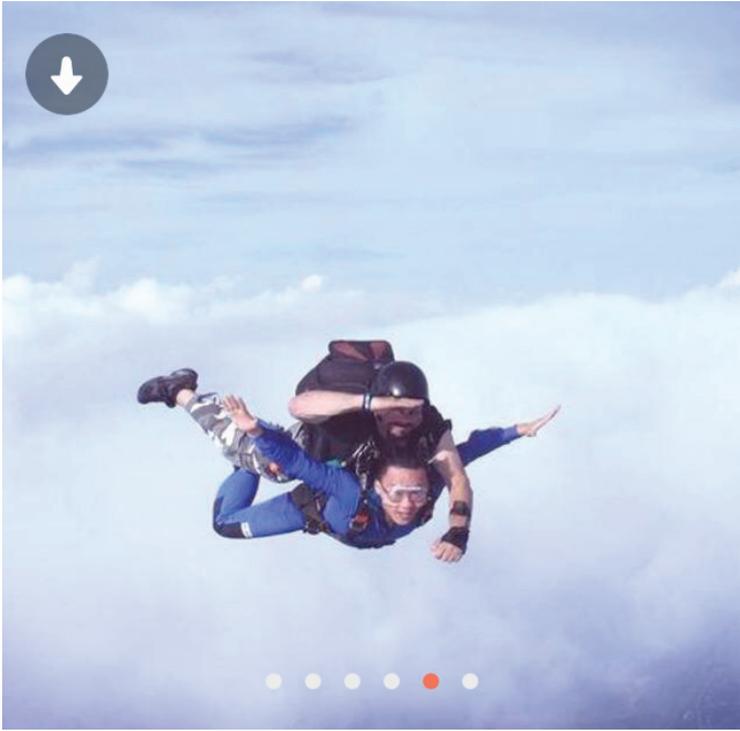


*We're are made
of stars*

*6'
Cal grad
Cleantech*

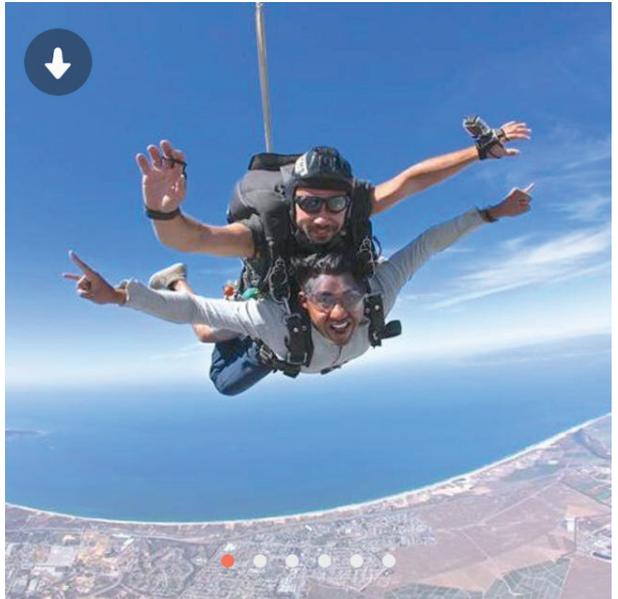


Just moved to the Bay Area from NYC for my MBA ..what's goooooood! Looking to meet new people in the area who can show me around and yes my cat moo relocated to the Bay Area with me.

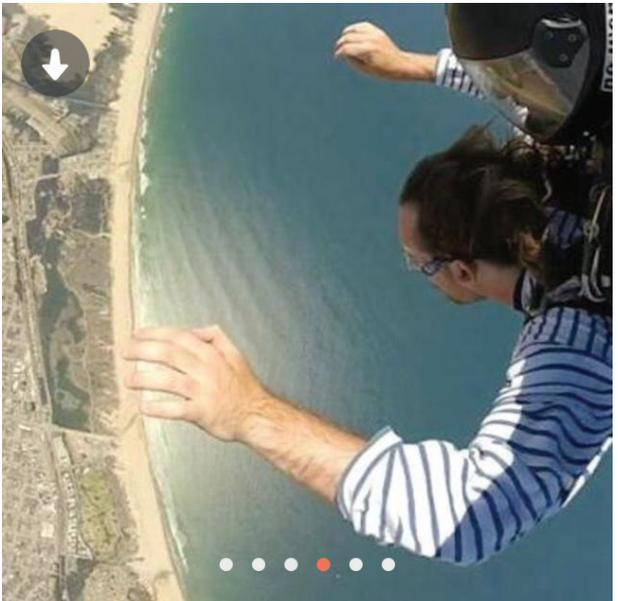


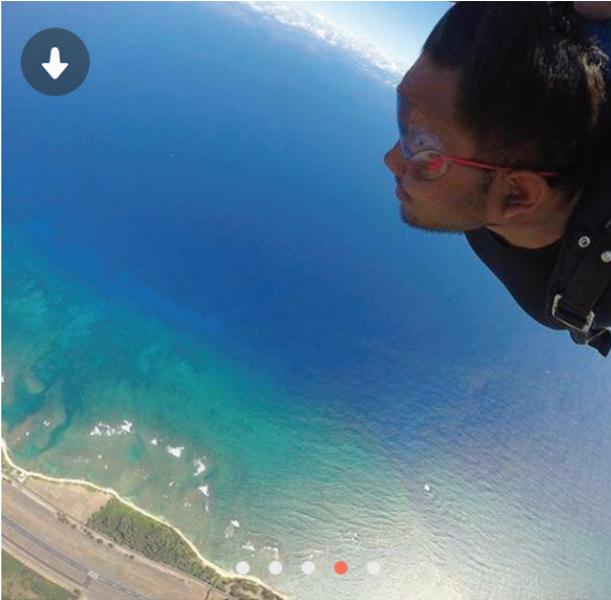
*Works at a tech startup in NYC. Midtown west. 5'11".
Recently moved to NYC from Columbus Ohio. Columbus is
not as boring as you thought and in fact is a very nice little
city just like me*

*SFO transplant
from Bangalore.
Adrenaline ,
dopamine junkie ..
Workoutk, crossfit,
running ,
volleyball*

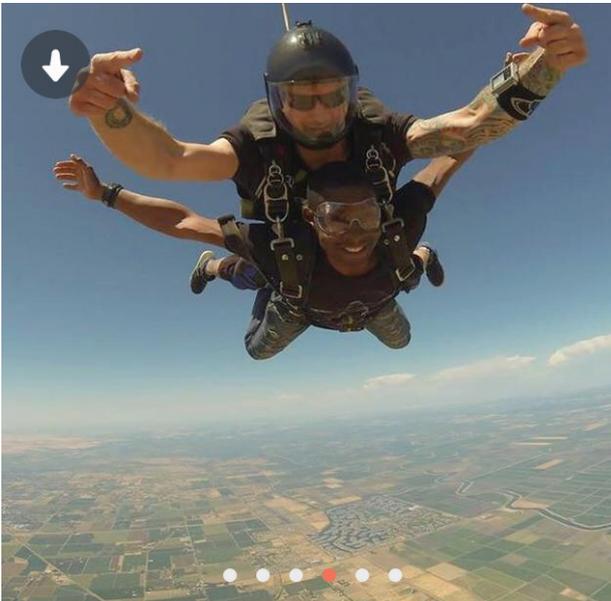


*French Man, living
in the bay area
for 3 years, crazy
about good food
and adrenalin
junky: 🏄🏻‍♂️🏍️🏊🏻‍♂️🚗*

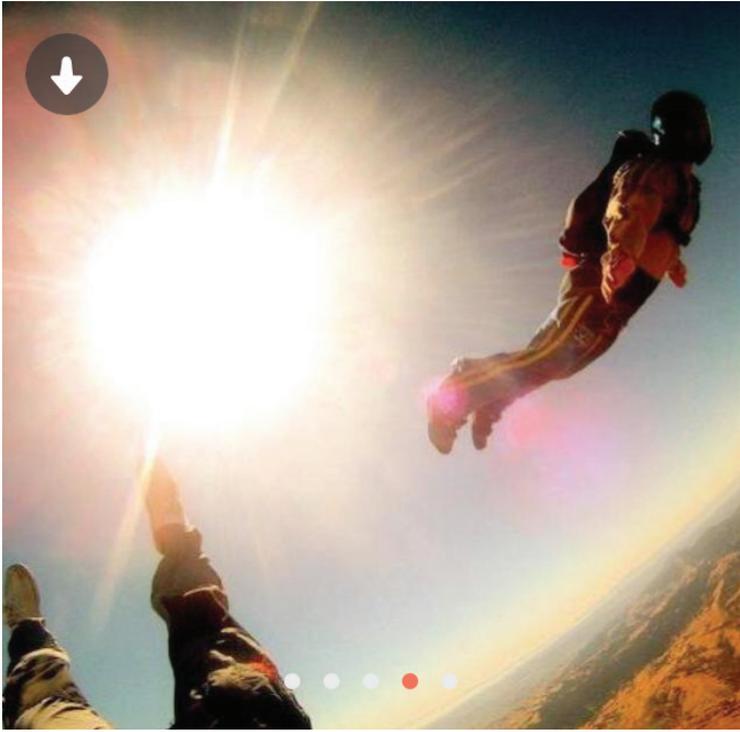




I like the good things in life.



Attraction is just curiosity do you think you can hold mine I bet I can hold yours. I'm 2'2 since people care so much about height on here.

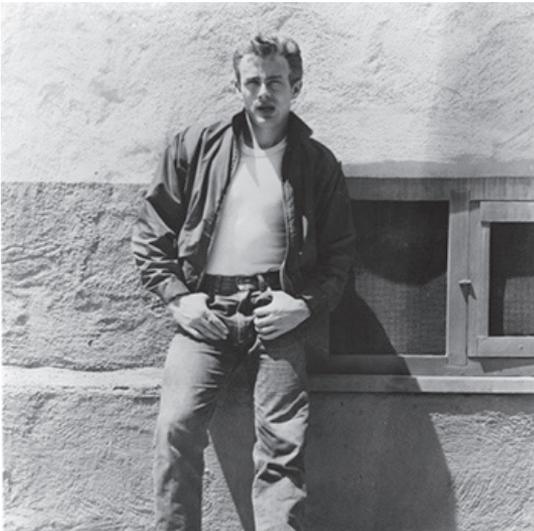


If you don't like dogs then it's probably not even worth it.

“**A**s much as 80% of our interaction with others is through non-verbal communication,” estimates Joe Navarro, author of the international bestseller *What Every Body Is Saying*. Having spent 25 years in the FBI catching spies, Navarro is a self-proclaimed body language expert.

I attended one of his lectures, where he revealed the true meaning behind gestures we often see in the wild. For instance, Navarro decoded the act of locking both thumbs in one’s front pant pockets, while leaving the remaining fingers pointing down to the crotch: this is a gender-specific gesture commonly performed by men, referred to as “genital framing.”

As these are the types of facts that make up perfect party fodder, there were a number of other nuances worth noting. But the biggest nugget of wisdom imparted was how to make everybody like you: this is done by defying gravity. Even by subtly arching your eyebrows or raising your arm for an enthusiastic wave, challenging the laws of physics is confounding, and apparently, attractive.



An example of genital framing, a gesture made famous by James Dean.

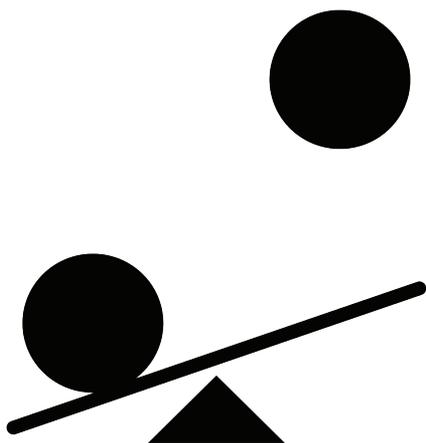
A gravity-defying prop, a lesser yet still common Tinder phenomenon. Others spotted: golf clubs, drones, parrots, fountains, etc.



“Gravity-defying behaviors are associated with positive feelings,” Navarro explained. “When a person feels good or confident, he swings his arms affirmatively, such as while walking. It is the insecure person who subconsciously restrains his arms, seemingly unable to defy the weight of gravity.”

Three days later, I downloaded the app Tinder. Very quickly, an archetype emerged: the levitating man. Unwittingly or not, it seemed the men of Tinder have taken Navarro’s advice to heart. Persistent among profile pics I encountered were mid-air action shots, demonstrating a passion for an extreme sport (e.g. skydiving, skateboarding) or an all-around zest for life via jumping (into a body of water, in front of a sequoia tree, etc.).

Does this inception attraction? I suspected I might be highly susceptible, with a lifelong admiration for astronauts and a pin collection of “aerial things”. It’s certainly easy to romanticize the feat of flight, but the resistance to gravity can be somewhat befuddling in this context of optimizing one’s approachability. Consider the seesaw: the temporary sensation of weightlessness, while glorious, is the moment in which you are the furthest away from your counterpart.



The seesaw's design depends on cooperation between two partners to propel each other ever upward: as one end goes up, the other goes down.

To further complicate matters, technically speaking, gravity is a force of attraction. Often approximated by Newton's law of universal gravitation, gravity is a force where bodies of mass are formulaically attracted to each other, with their relationship calculated by their respective masses and the distance between them. What differentiates gravity from other forces is that it causes everything to be attracted, and nothing to be repulsed.

The attractive power of this force is largely responsible for the universe's complexity: the tension between gravity and pressure ignites spheres of hydrogen to form stars, and their mutual gravitational pull groups them into galaxies. Without gravity, the universe would be an uncomplicated one, existing without the ocean's tides or fires of the celestial sphere.

But long before Newton "discovered" the force of nature called gravity in the 17th century — over 100 years prior, in fact — the French used *gravité* and the Latin used *gravitas* to indicate a seriousness or weightiness, according to the Oxford English Dictionary. It's hard to ignore this linguistic interchangeability of weight and significance when contemplating these gravity-defying men.

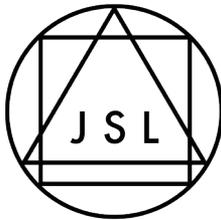
Perhaps resisting this attractive force while trying to generate romantic interest is not paradoxical, just adding a bit of levity. A lighthearted nature must be desirable to some, given how often it is advertised. (*"I don't take life too seriously"*, *"Let's go on an adventure"*, *"I work to live, and not vice versa"*, etc.) To inspire star-forming, tide-causing attraction with a few images and 500 characters would be quite a feat, after all.

In most cases, Newton's law of gravitation is an adequate approximation, yet gravity is most accurately articulated by Einstein's general theory of relativity. As Einstein would have it, gravity is not a force, but a consequence of the curvature of spacetime. Caused by the uneven distribution of mass and energy, the result is time dilation. To put this simply, when two masses experience a strong gravitation toward each other, time slows.

It would be difficult to think of a more apt way to describe the sensation of true love.

Albert Einstein with his wife, Elsa, sporting a fur collar made of fox or skunks.





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