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#### **PARTING SHOTS:** The Perfect Pin-Up

Early publicity shots displayed the young starlet's soon-to-befamous figure. She was proudest however, of her flawless teeth.

Her health was fragile, she was shaky on camera and her career was ebbing when she made her last movie, The Misfits, in 1960. But the Nevada weather was fair and for a moment as she emerged from a swim between takes, her smile contained a flash of the young Norma Jean.



She peered straight into the cameta with absolute trust, the perfect pin-up, looking proud and architectural in her bathing suit and high heels. From the movie

screen her soft luminous face beckoned to the millions. In time Marilyn's life spun out far beyond Norma Jean's somber beginnings. Friends warned her of the star system, but her movies were top box-

office grossers, critics praised her flair for comedy, and she was a star.
Thinking that there was
more to acting than being a
sex symbol, she studied at the Actors Studio. Some were amused that a pastel blond with a jiggling walk

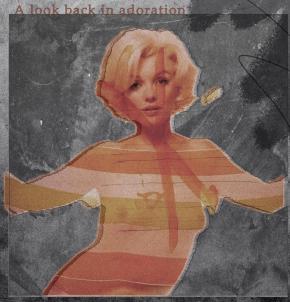
wanted to be a serious actress. Just before she died at 36 from an overdose of sleeping pills in 1962, she said to a reporter:

Marilyn suffered from insomnia throughout her adult life. One night yet again in 1953 when she couldn't sleep she called Andre de Dienes who came and took these poignant photos (below). She proposed that they meet to take pictures somewhere in a dark valley in Beverly Hills. Without a flash or professional lighting. he lit Marilyn's face with the headlight of his car. "She was alone, unhappy, on the edge of despair," de Dienes said. "She wanted me to come and fetch her. She suggested we could take a series of photos with one of the darkened streets of Beverly Hills as a backdrop."



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### FOR MARILYN

she was alive and, ten vears after her death. Marilyn Monroe is still the world's most famous recently assembled an blond. Her name turns up exhibit of 185 picturesin poems. Andy Warhol among them those stenciled her face 20 times across one canvas. filling another with 168 of her tremulous smiles. She was a shy person. But the camera gave her Angeles's David Stuart

Time has burnished the confidence and possibly Galleries before touring legend which began when no one knew her better 30 U.S. cities. The first than the men who day one Monroe fan photographed her. One walked in and ordered of them, Larry Schiller, \$1,600 worth of prints to decorate his den. shown here- by 15 photographers. Called Marilyn Monroe: The Legend and the Truth

the exhibit opened in Los

net," said photographer, director, nd writer Lawrence Schiller, who writes about his experiences with Monroe in his new book, "Marilyn &t Me." "Marilyn in 1960 was like fresh dew on the lawn when you get up in the morning. She wasn't the stupid dumb blond we saw in the movies. You could really see her humor and wit." But in those final months, Schiller felt that Monroe didn't know where she was in her life. She was fighting to stay alive. She couldn't get to work on time. She was taking more of a toll on other people and the studio. She had no perspective.

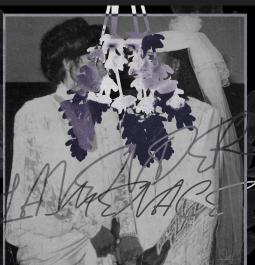
She had no idea what was going on

really - no idea at all."

"There were two Marilyns that I

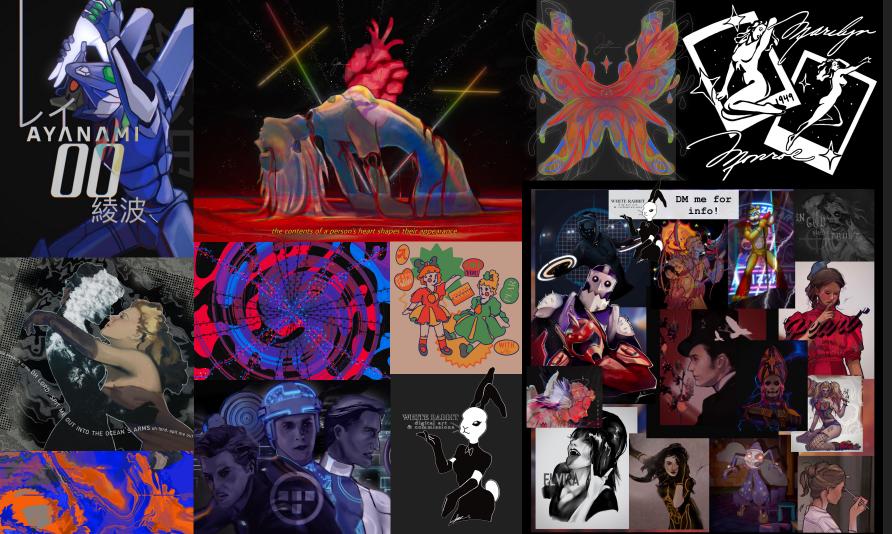


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Ezra Croft, art show producer

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