Indestructible (3rd edition)
Growing Up Queer, Cuban, and Punk in Miami
by Cristy C. Road

“Road’s novel is a testimony of survival—a powerful reminder of how we must create (and re-create) our identities—whether the mainstream is with us, or not.” —Feminist Review

“Author and illustrator Cristy Road paints her adolescence, particularly high school, as a cultural background where her Latina heritage, sexual curiosity, and love of punk collided with the trappings of popular culture on a 24-hour basis.” —Wonka Vision Magazine

“Bursting with wild life, true heartache, sassy insight, righteous mouthing-off, desperate crushes, and more gasping laughter than a slumber party. Her artwork is a party on the page, or a riot, or a revolution. With language and imagery she is creating a mural of radical joy.” —Michelle Tea

“Demonstrates how much we all grow internally through the rough years from preteen to young adulthood, trying to figure out how we want to relate to ourselves and the worlds around us.” —Left Turn Magazine

In her Miami high school, Cristy Road valiantly tried to figure out and defend her queer gender identity, Cuban cultural roots, punk-rock nature, and mortality. Through her writing and illustrations, Cristy reminds us of the strength and ability of punk youth to address realities like rape, homophobia, and misogyny. This book is no exception. Road’s headlong story of growing up gives a voice to every frustrated 15-year-old girl under fire from her peers for being queer, butch, punk, or different.

SUBJECT: Memoir / LGBT / Punk
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CARTON QTY: 96
ART: b/w illustrations throughout

Marketing Notes
1. Previous edition sold 9,000 copies.
2. Author is a well-known illustrator in radical left social movements
3. People who are interested in gender studies, women’s studies, class and race, and punk subculture will be drawn to this title.

Comparative Titles
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• Dirty River Leah Lakshmi Piepzna-Samarasinha 9781551526003 (Arsenal Pulp) $18.95, 2015
• Juliet Takes a Breath Gabby Rivera 9781626012516 (Riverdale Ave) $16.99, 2016
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