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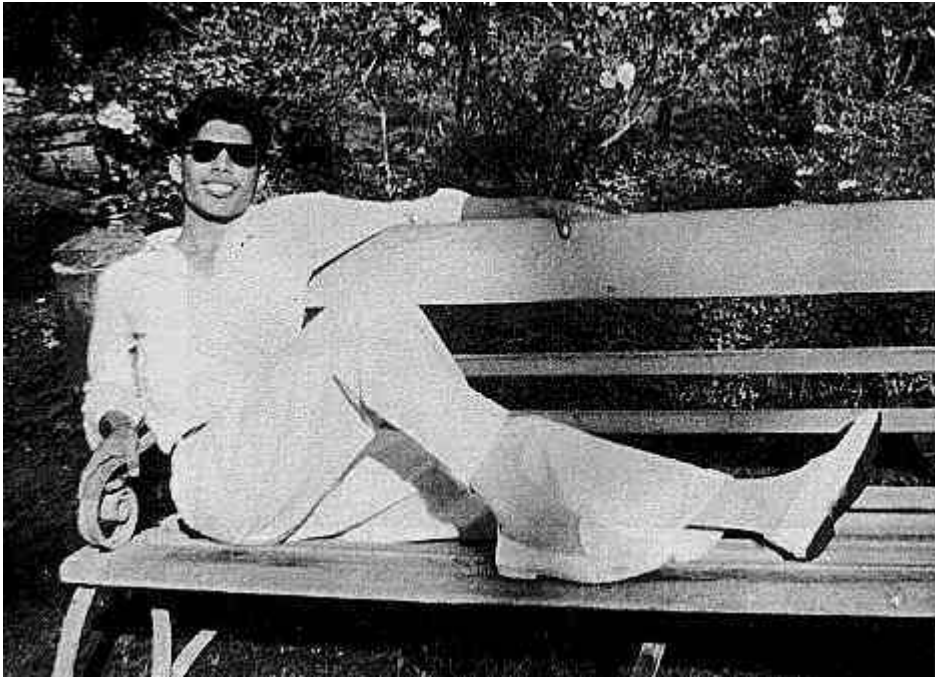
in honour of bohemian rhapsody coming out in less than a month, I wanted to do a thread of the most iconic things freddie mercury did so y'all can get to know him



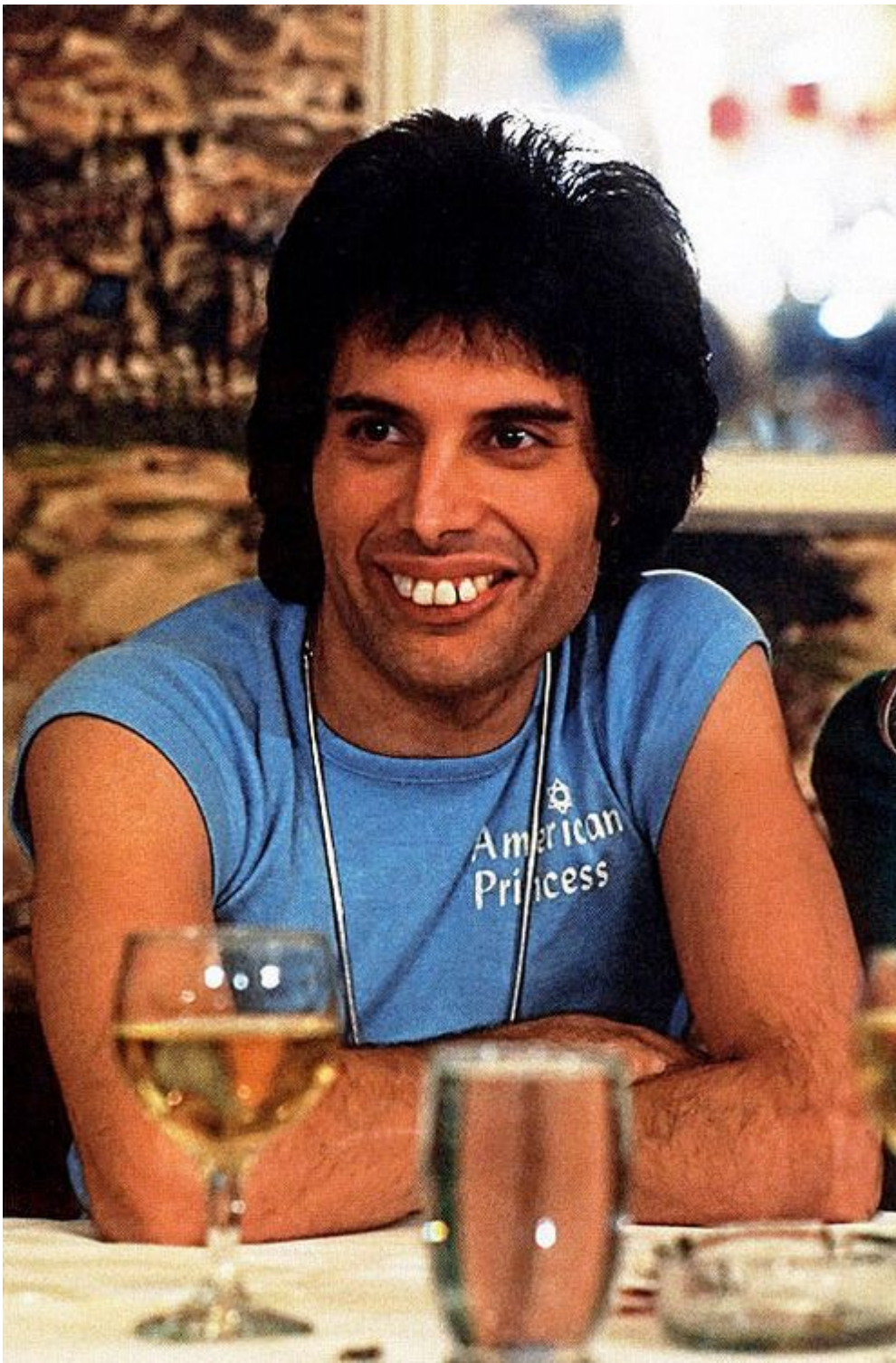
although most people know about him and queen's music, y'all dont know how iconic he actually was, so before stan twitter falls for rami's freddie for like a week (rami u deserve better), let's appreciate the original hbc

ok so,

farrokh bulsara (later changed to freddie mercury ofc) was born in 1946, in zanzibar, he was born with parsi decent and grew up in both zanzibar and india before later moving to england with his family



he was a singer, songwriter and record producer, and obviously the lead vocalist of queen



he had an estimated four - octave vocal range and is considered one of the greatest vocalists of all time, especially due to his unique tone and his ability to change his style from line to line ((your faves could nEVER))



also wow



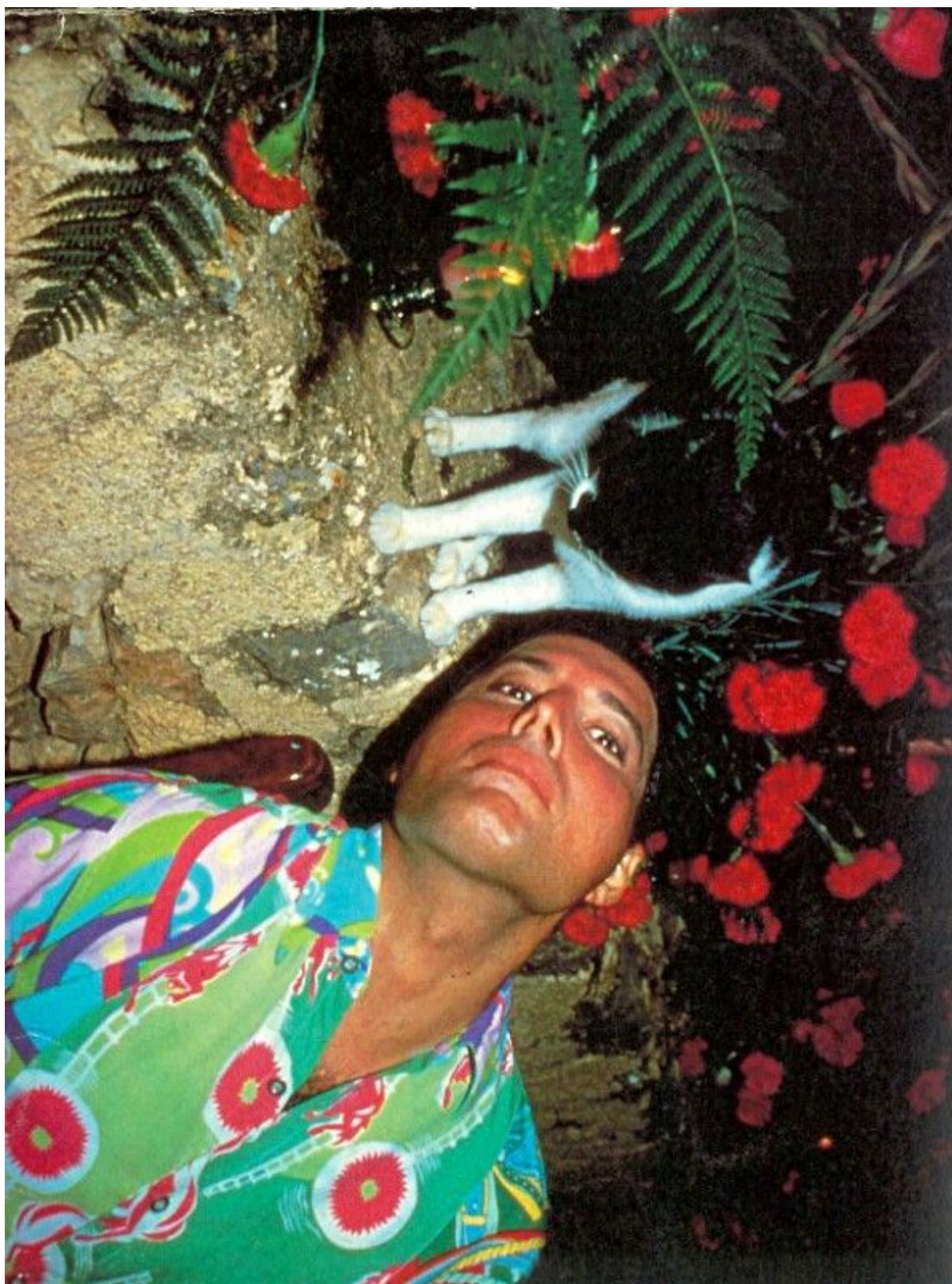
he is also regarded as one of the greatest front men of all time, david bowie said "freddie took it further than the rest...he was definitely a man who could hold an audience in the palm of his hand" freddie was also praised by many other legends



freddie frequently used a broken microphone as his main prop onstage, after he accidentally snapped it off the stand during an early performance and realised it was more useful that way - a convenient queen,, we stan!



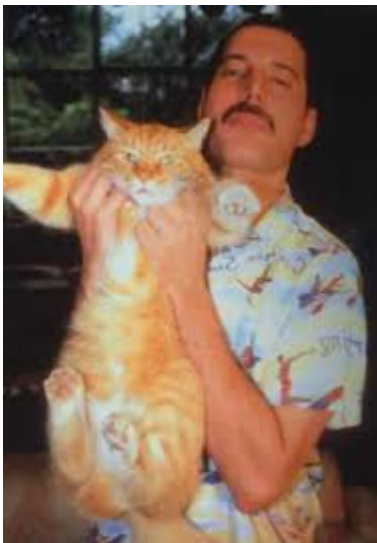
freddie loved cats, he even dedicated a solo album, ' mr bad guy ' to his cats, and left a note in the album booklet saying, "this album is dedicated to my cat jerry - also tom, oscar and tiffany and all the cat lovers across the universe - screw everybody else!"



he also wrote a song about his cat delilah and issa bop!

When you cuddle up
and go to sleep beside me

He adopted his cats from rescue shelters (adopt don't shop) and gave them gourmet meals, christmas stockings and talked to them over the phone



he called sid vicious (from the sex pistols) "simon ferocious" and pushed him, when sid came in to the studio and made comments about freddie's flamboyant attitude and sexuality – so he rilly was THAT bitch



he used a piano as a headboard for his bed and taught himself to play backwards, so if he thought of a song idea in bed he could just reach back to play and/or record it (but he didnt consider himself to be a good pianist and hated playing live ugh)



he had a degree in art and graphic design – and designed queen's emblem based on the zodiac signs of the members (ugh what a virgo move)



he used to ride on the shoulders of darth vader and superman during his concerts



although many people overanalyse the meaning of the hit bohemian rhapsody, when asked about it freddie said “it bears no real meaning, it’s all rhyming nonsense” lmaoo indie twitter is quaking



he and michael jackson actually collaborated and had recording time together but freddie stopped bc he got uncomfortable when michael would keep bringing his llama into the studio (I actually can't with this one l -)



here's a lil snippet of a rare recording of them together (there's a few on youtube) they would've been iconic but a llama ruined it sjshgjs



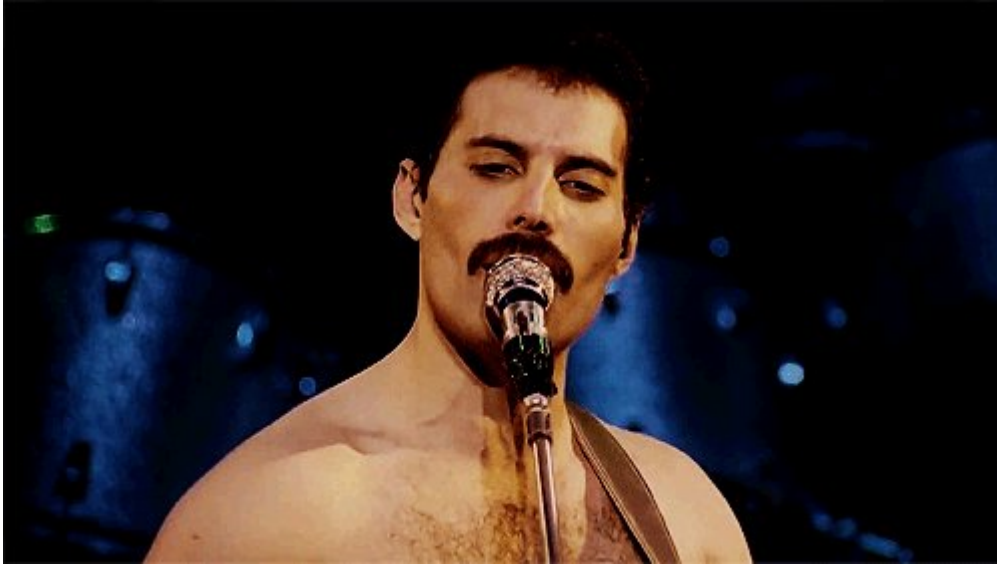
he wrote the bop crazy little thing called love in the bath, and had a piano brought to him to compose it

he dressed princess diana in male drag and snuck her into gay clubs

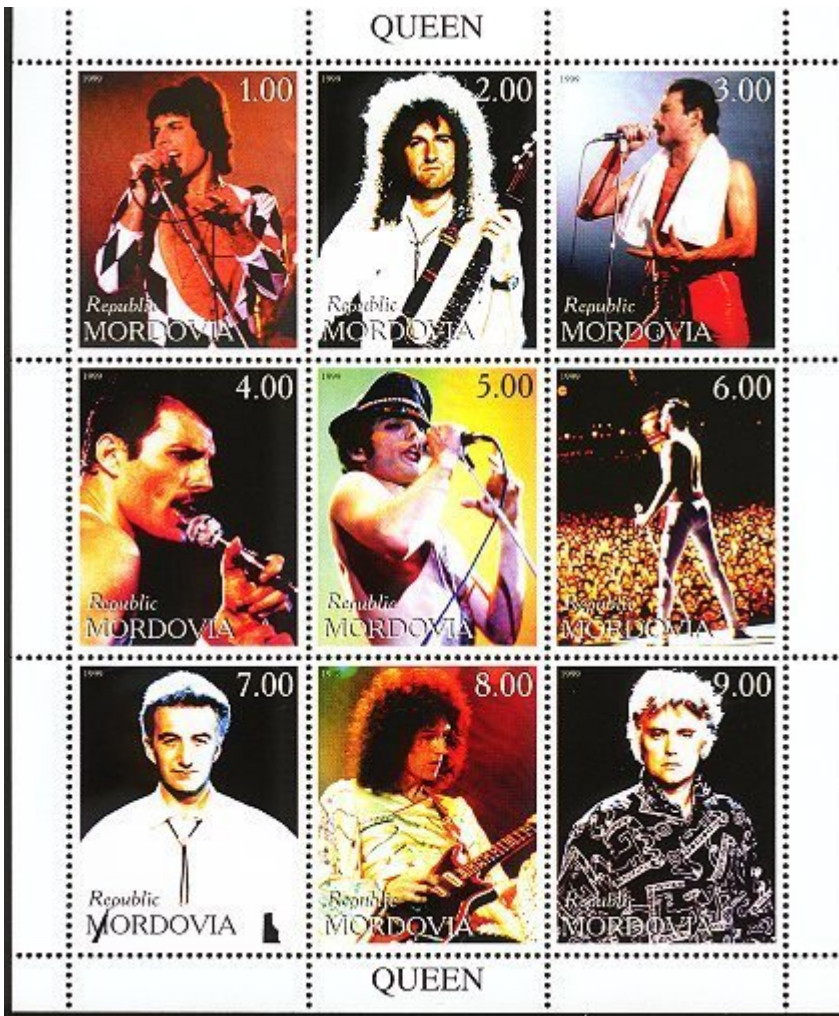
the music video for queen's song 'I want to break free' actually got banned from mtv bc all four members were in drag



at one of his concerts, an audience member called out "you fucking p**f" and freddie responded by turning the spotlight on him and said "say that again darling."



He was a keen stamp collector! 7 year old me can relate! ((wow and now he's on his own stamps catch me crying))



In 1985 he began a long \u2013 term relationship with jim hutton and they were honestly the cutest couple of all time
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