



## Princess Bio

**Name:** Catalina "Cata" Monteiro [CAT-uh MONT-air-oh]

**School:** Ida B. Wells High School

**Birthplace:** Portland, OR

**Parents/Guardians:** Rachel Monteiro and Lalit Monteiro

**Siblings:** Vivian Monteiro

**Year in school:** Senior

### **Future education plans:**

I'm planning on an undergraduate focus on finance and pre-med, with medical school hopefully in the future.

### **Career plans:**

I'm considering being a general or nurse practitioner; definitely something in the medical field.

### **High School Activities & Honors:**

Key Club Co-president, Asian Desi Pacific Islander Club (ADPI) member, ASB Vice President, Model United Nations (MUN) member, No Place for Hate Program (with the Anti-Defamation League) facilitator, district student council representative

**Hobbies and special interests:** I love reading, hanging out with my cats, and baking when I have the time (I make some mean cookies). I also embroider. Though I'm not perfect at it, it's lots of fun! I am equally in love with science and math.

### **What is your favorite place to visit in Portland and why?**

There's a small park called Pendleton, and it holds so many happy memories. I was basically raised in parks, swinging around on the playground equipment and having picnics in the grass, and this one will always be my favorite. It's one of those small, beloved community spots in Portland that is fun at any age, and it's been a great privilege to be able to grow up so surrounded by nature & a representation of the best parts of Portland.

### **What are you most proud of during your high school career?**

At the beginning of this year, I was given the opportunity to tutor core chemistry students and help them get caught up in class. My first student was incredibly bright, but needed a little extra time. A month or so in, she took a chemistry test and got an A! I was so incredibly proud of her, because she'd worked so hard and brought her grade up significantly. I feel like I was able to make a difference in her life, to really help her, even for such a small thing that may be insignificant to her in 20 years.

### **What is your favorite Rose Festival event and why?**

My favorite Rose Festival Event is CityFair. I've always loved carnivals, and it's such a wonderful opportunity to hang out with friends, visit a different part of the city from where I live, and simply have a fun time! Also, I love snacks, and CityFair is very good at providing those.

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