Think about a creature, spirit, or monster you find frightening (or found frightening as a child!) Perhaps it’s a creature you heard about in a fairy tale or one you saw in a movie as an adult. (Some of the creatures that scared me as a child were: 1) Medusa from Greek mythology, who can turn mortals to stone; 2) the demons from the Bible story who were cast into pigs, and 3) the oni ogres from the Japanese folktale Momotaro.)

**WRITE ABOUT...**

*What does this creature look like?* Is its physical description in the source material, or did you come up with it yourself?

*Does this creature represent something?* (Either in the story it came from, or in your own understanding?)

*What about it do you find frightening?* Is it its appearance? Its behavior?
There is no one version of a spirit or yokai—no one way to represent, or draw them. At the Yokai Banzai talk, Cori & Kiyoshi will each present their own versions of an amabie. This mythic creature—recently popularized due to its rumored ability to ward off pandemic—is usually described with three common features:
Try your hand at sculpting your own plush yokai out of wool! All you need is some wool, a felting needle and a cushion to work on.

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