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A pandemic can't keep this Orinda singer down

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Mina Lim has put her musical talent to work, and can be found singing a Covid-19 parody on YouTube these days. The 13-year-old is familiar to the Lamorinda arts scene as a frequent competitor in the Lamorinda Idol contest, last year winning the 6-8 grade category and the group category with her group 4 O'Clock!

During spring break, while on lockdown, her mother June Lee Lim gave her an assignment to write her own parody. Mina came up with a poignant but amusing parody of "Part of Your World" from her favorite musical, "The Little Mermaid" with lyrics like, "I've got Purell and Lysol and Clorox; I've got canned food and hand soap galore; You want toilet paper? I've got twenty ... (four); But who cares? No big deal ... I'm so BORED!!!!!!...."

Orinda singer Mina Lim, 13. Photo provided

Mina reported that "lots of people enjoyed it," including her teachers at Orinda Intermediate School. Next year

Mina plans to attend Campolindo, to avail of their renown choir and musicals.

Mina is quite sensitive to the coronavirus because she herself suffered from a serious but unidentifiable illness last fall. Now she is sheltering at home with her mother and father. Her grandparents are sheltering at home. Mina misses her family and friends, but uses Zoom and Facetime to keep in touch. "Only Mom goes out now," Mina says, as she and her father have asthma issues. June Lim added that they have friends in the health field, some of whom are in New York, so the situation is quite frightening. "We are keeping upbeat," she said, "trying not to dwell on it, and the parody has been a lot of fun, keeping our minds off it." People are sharing Mina's parody on social media.

Mina's parody can be viewed at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r9L8z2XF9Q0>

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