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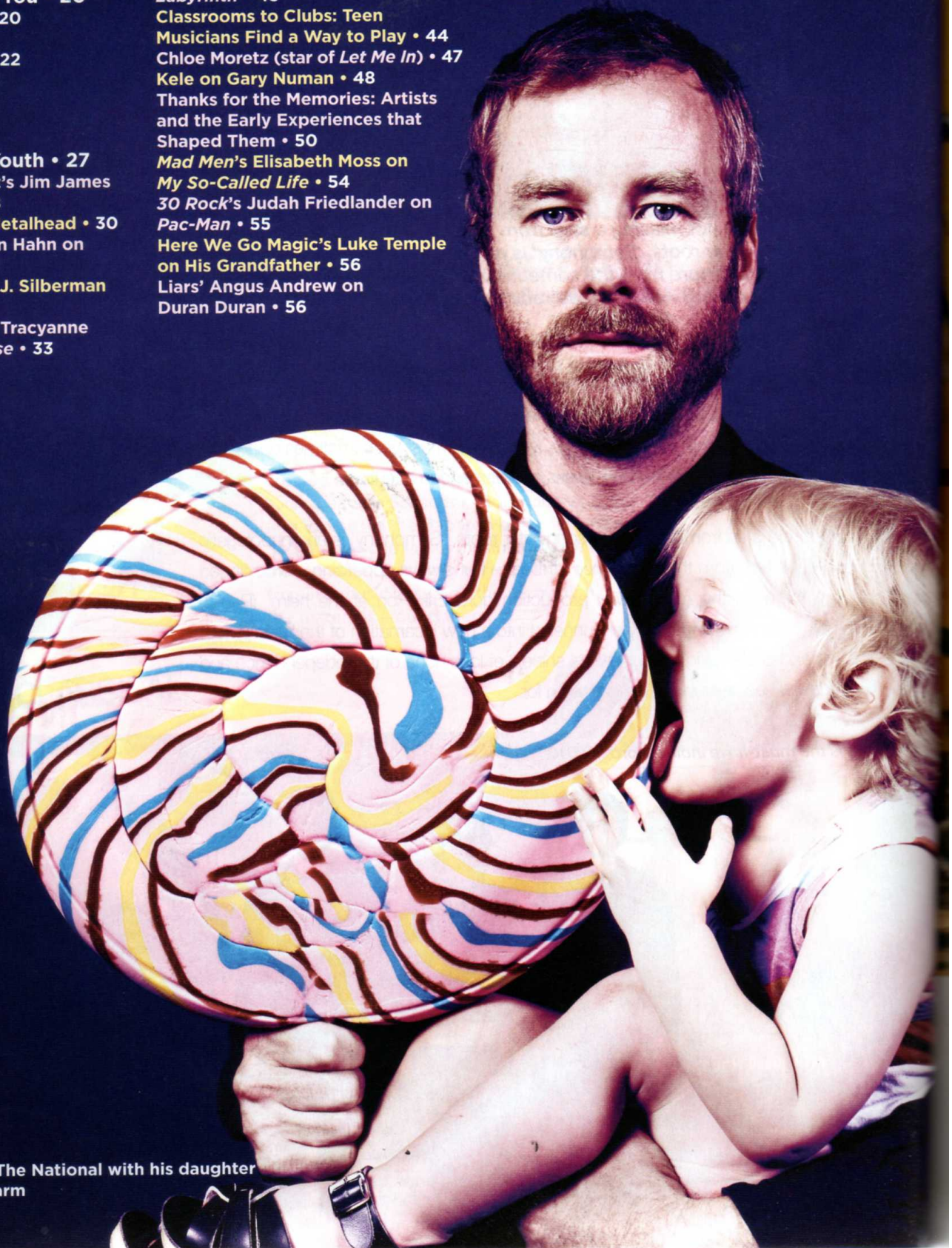
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Matt Berninger of The National with his daughter
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The National

Portraits of the Artists as Young Men

“**T**hese guys made the best record of 2007. Do you know who they are?” Those were the words framing The National’s first appearance on the cover of a national music publication when their last record, *Boxer*, was released. With their follow-up *High Violet* recently landing in the third slot on the Billboard album charts, it’s safe to say that The National aren’t quite as anonymous as they were three years ago. Still, the band members’ Cincinnati roots remain buried far below the surface of their music. In this excavation work, lead vocalist and songwriter Matt Berninger explores his childhood and his newfound fatherhood, guitarists Aaron and Bryce Dessner discuss their early musical loves, drummer Bryan Devendorf examines his best-loved childhood movies, and bassist Scott Devendorf remembers his family’s favorite TV show.





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