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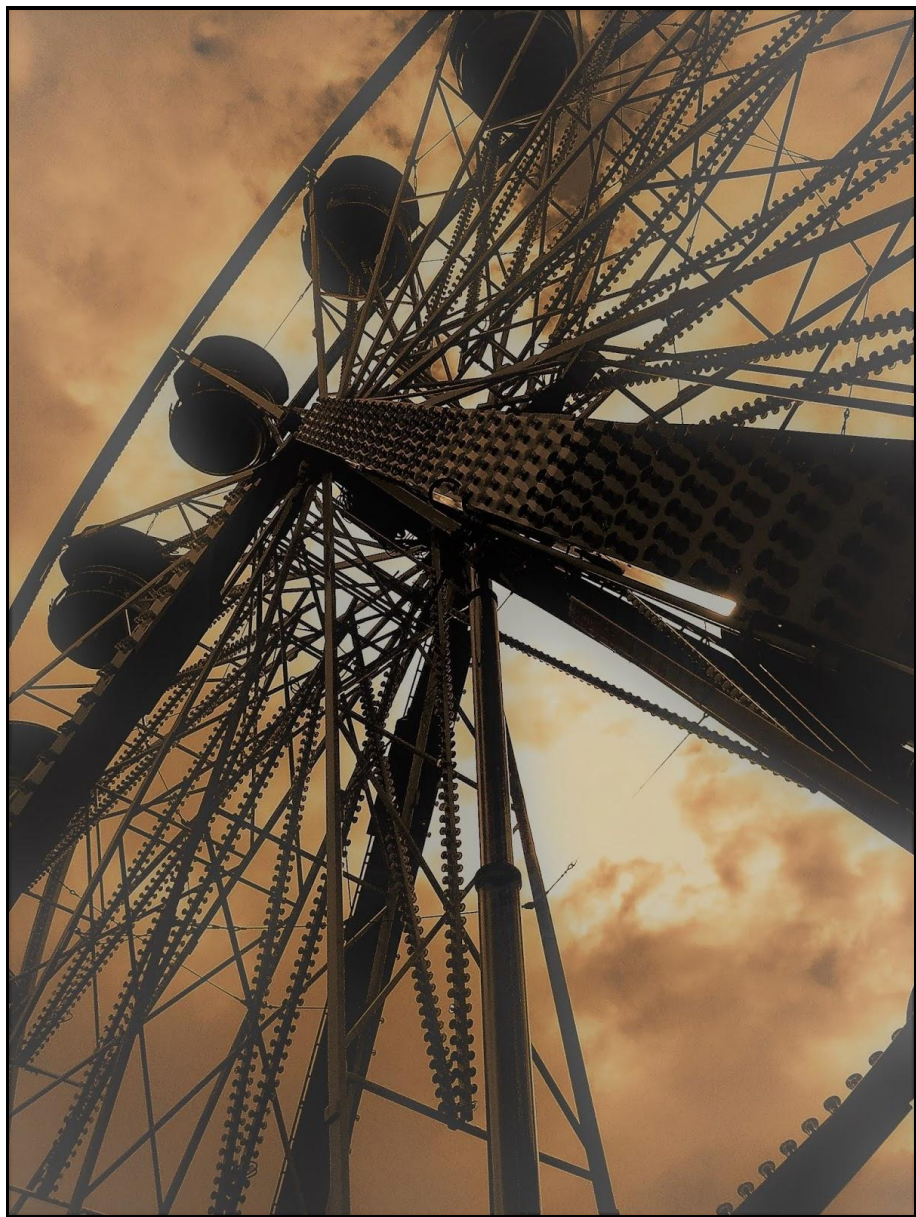
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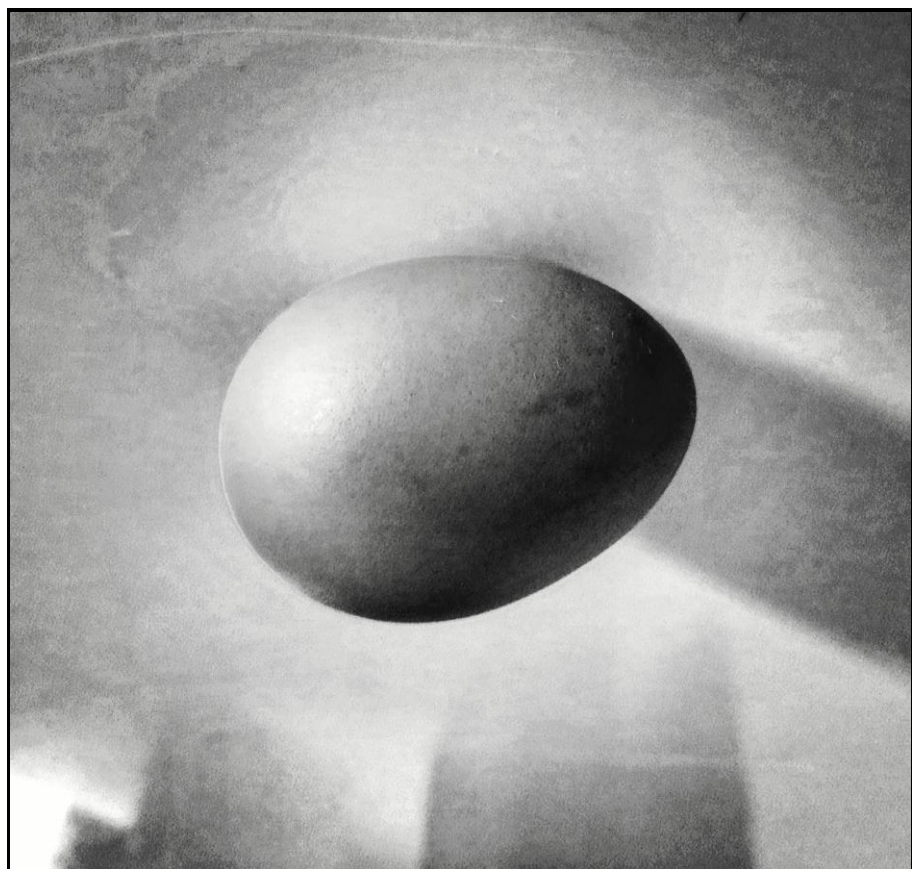
## **Very Brief Foreword**

I won't claim to be a professional artist or photographer. I am far from that and am aware of the limitations of both my skill and the devices I use to present my work. That said, I hope I've made the best of what I have and what I've seen. Thanks for viewing!

– Andreas Gripp  
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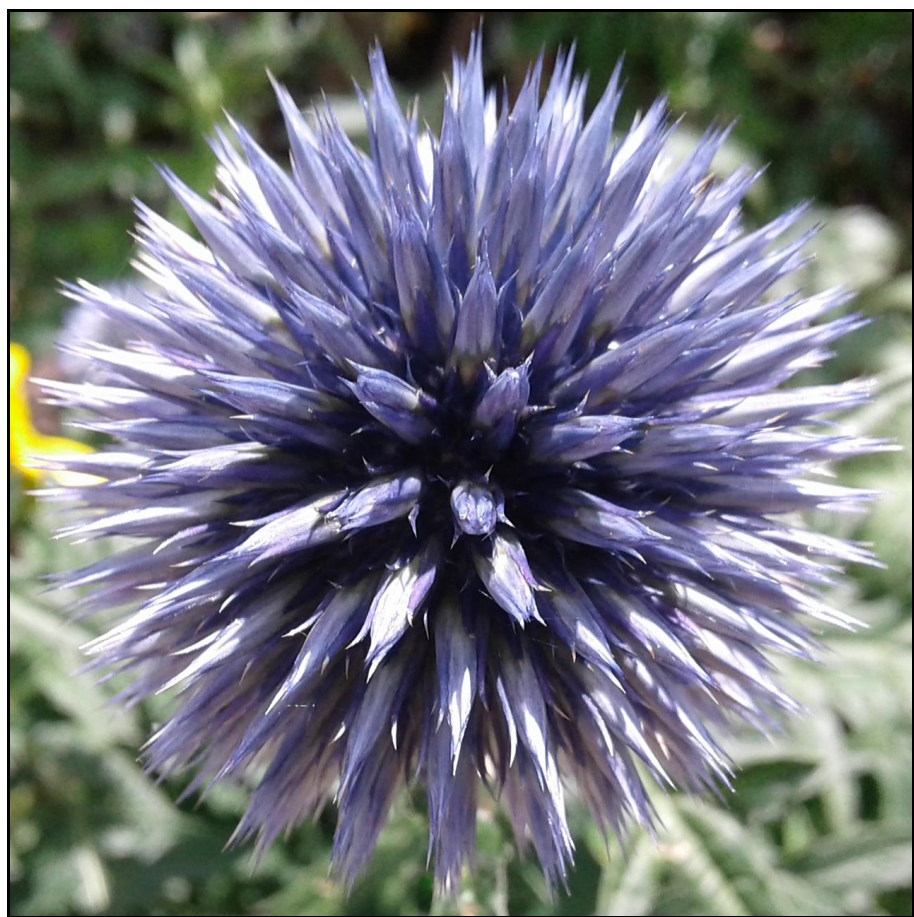




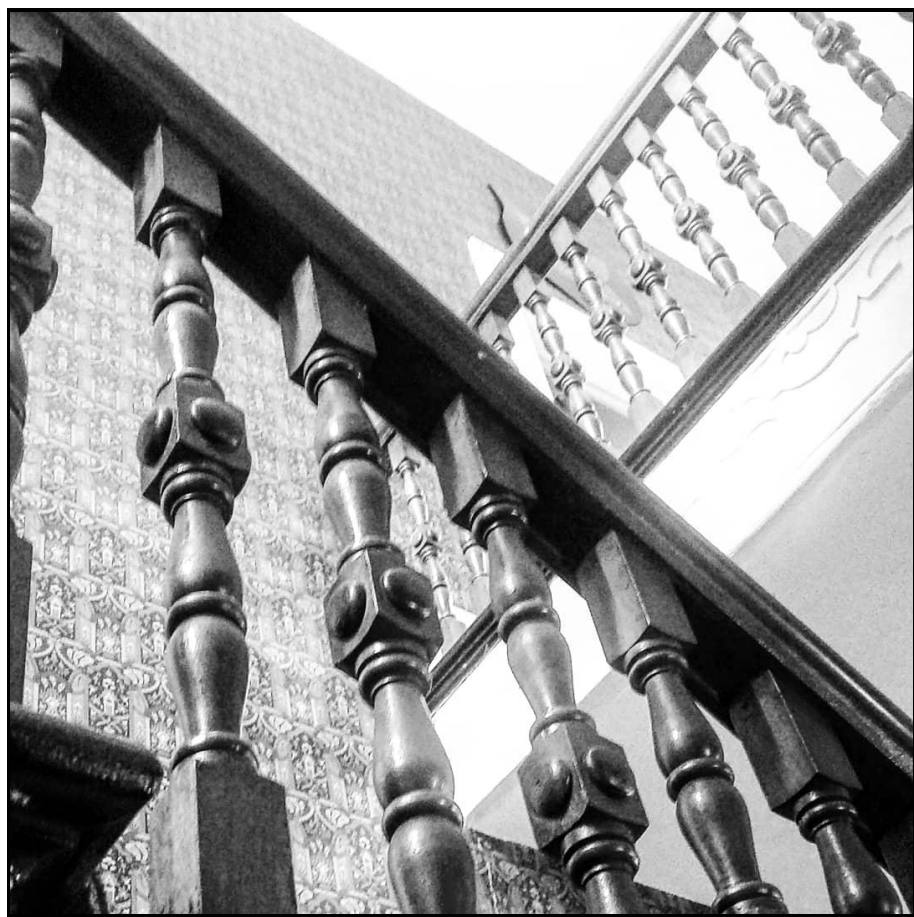










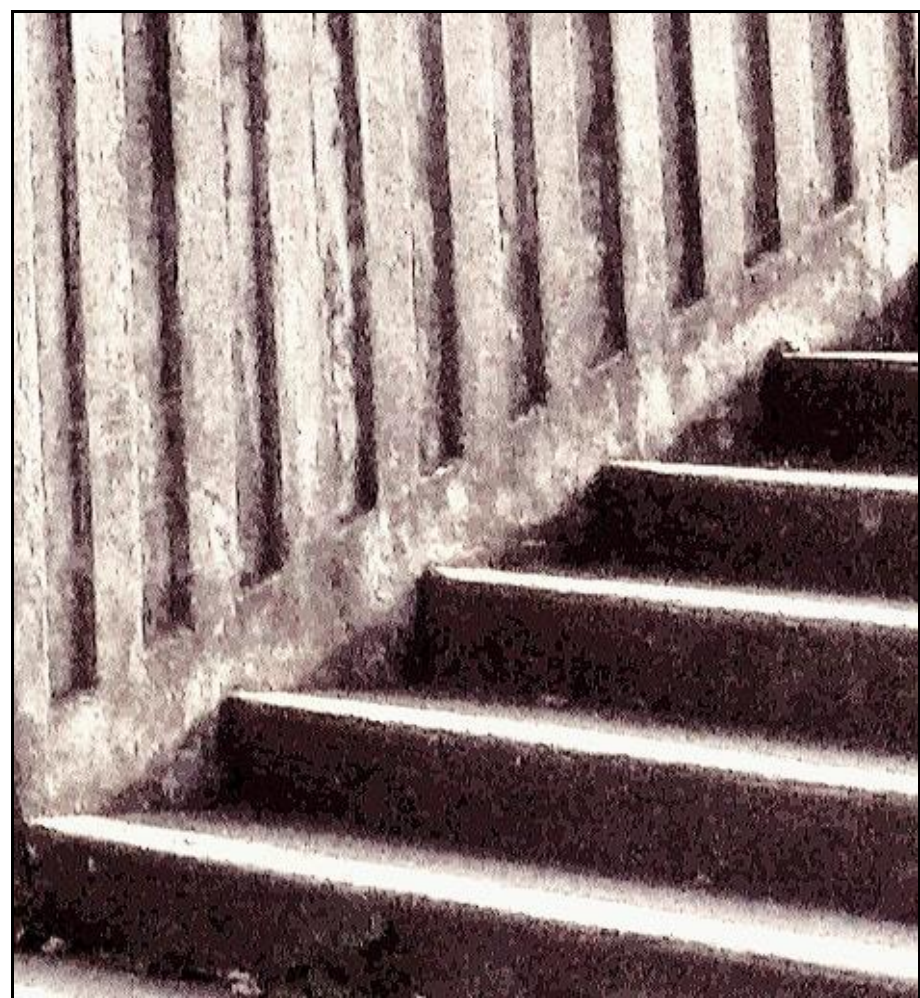


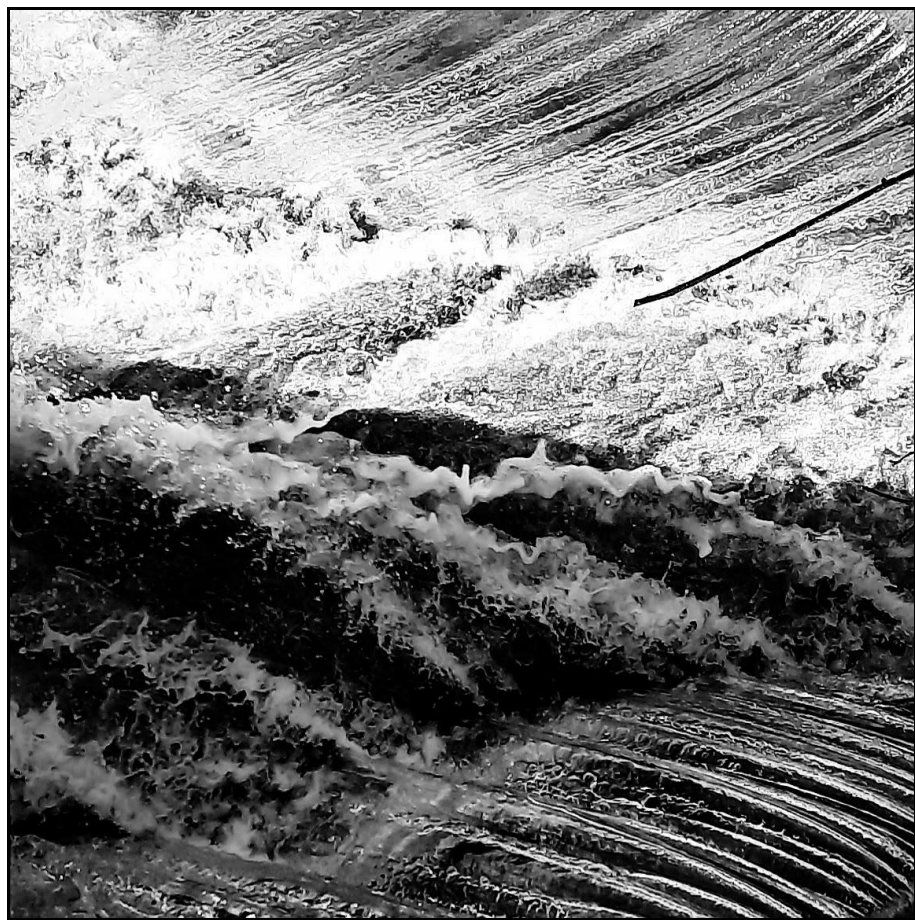






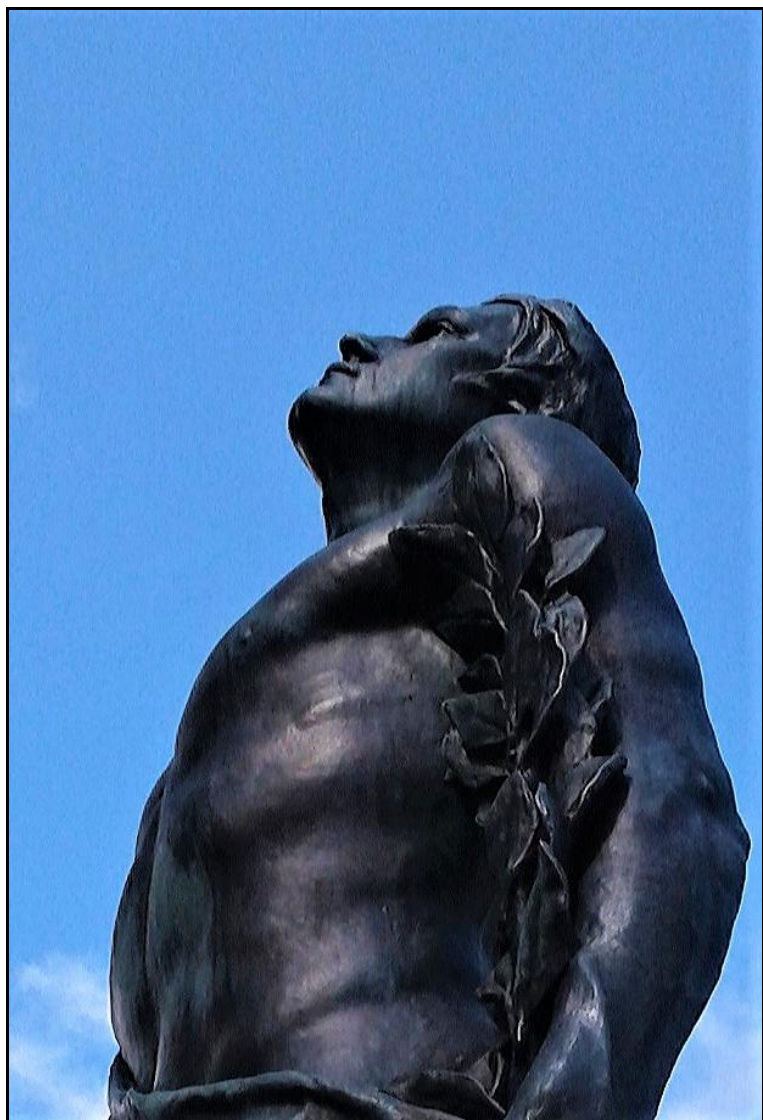












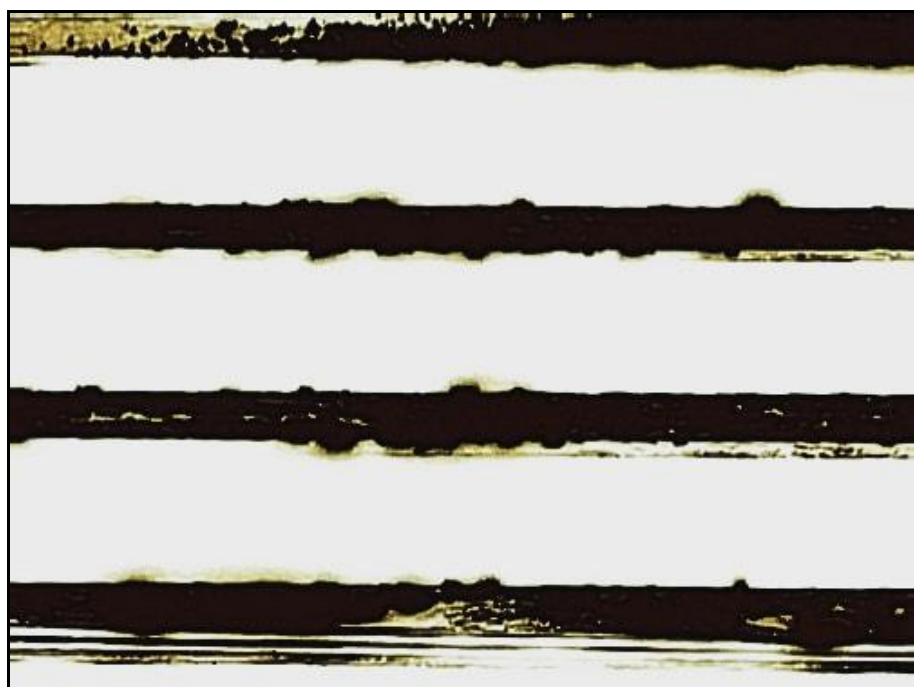
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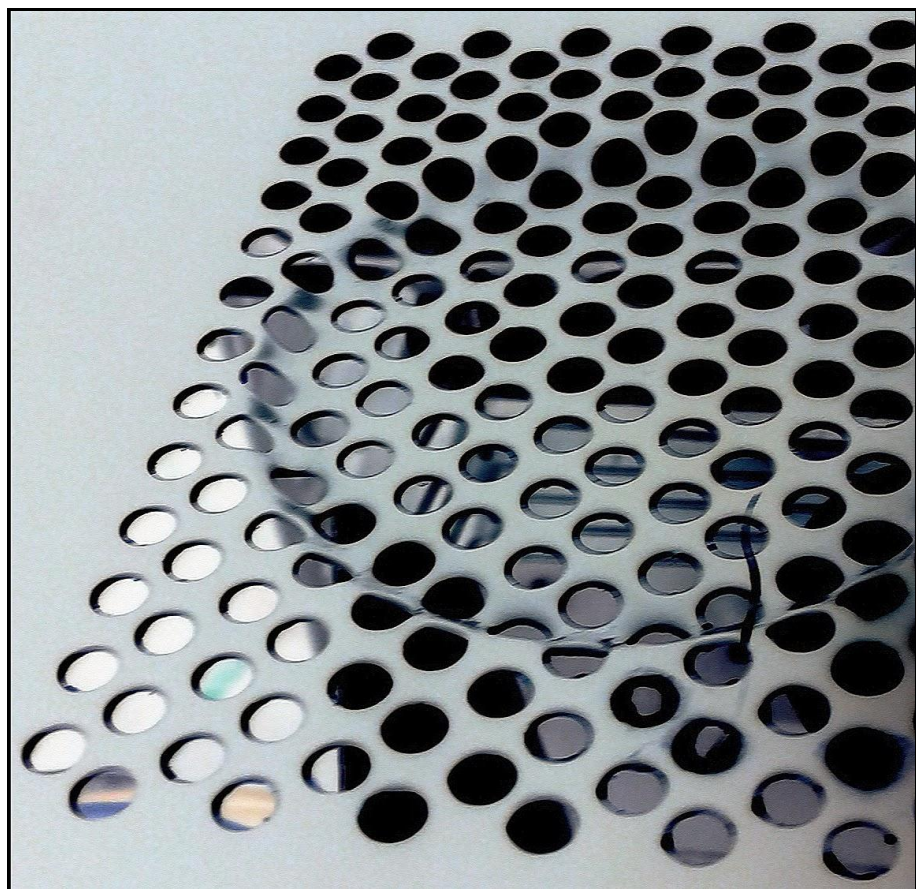
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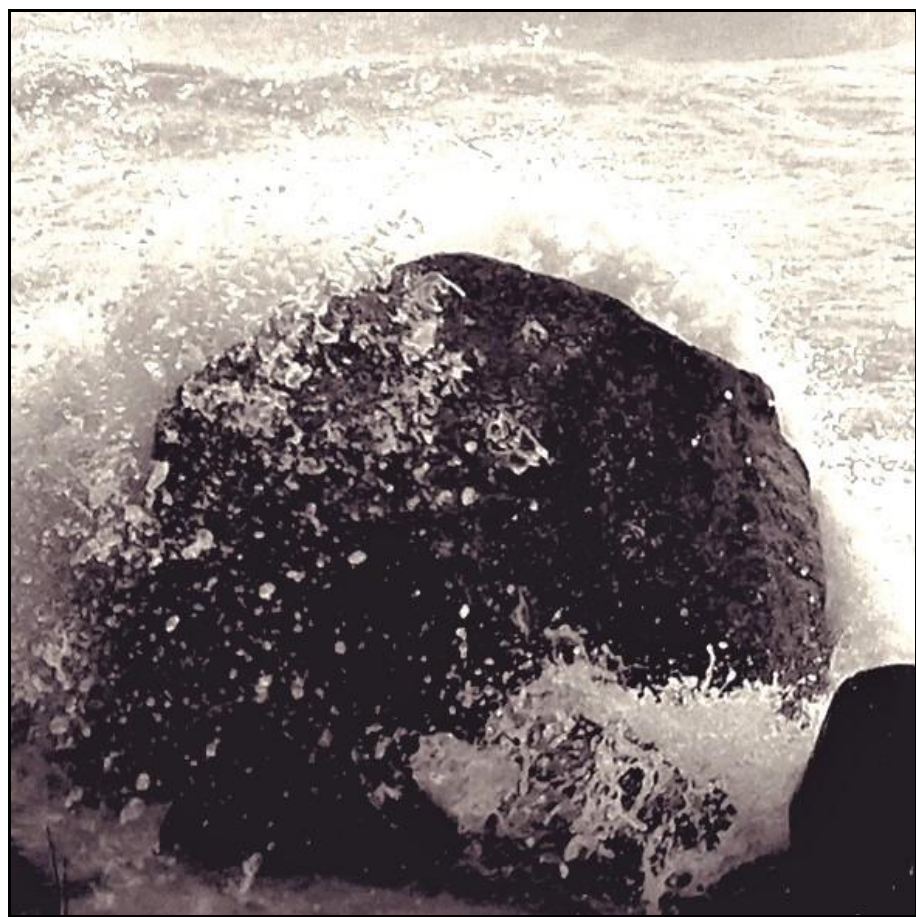


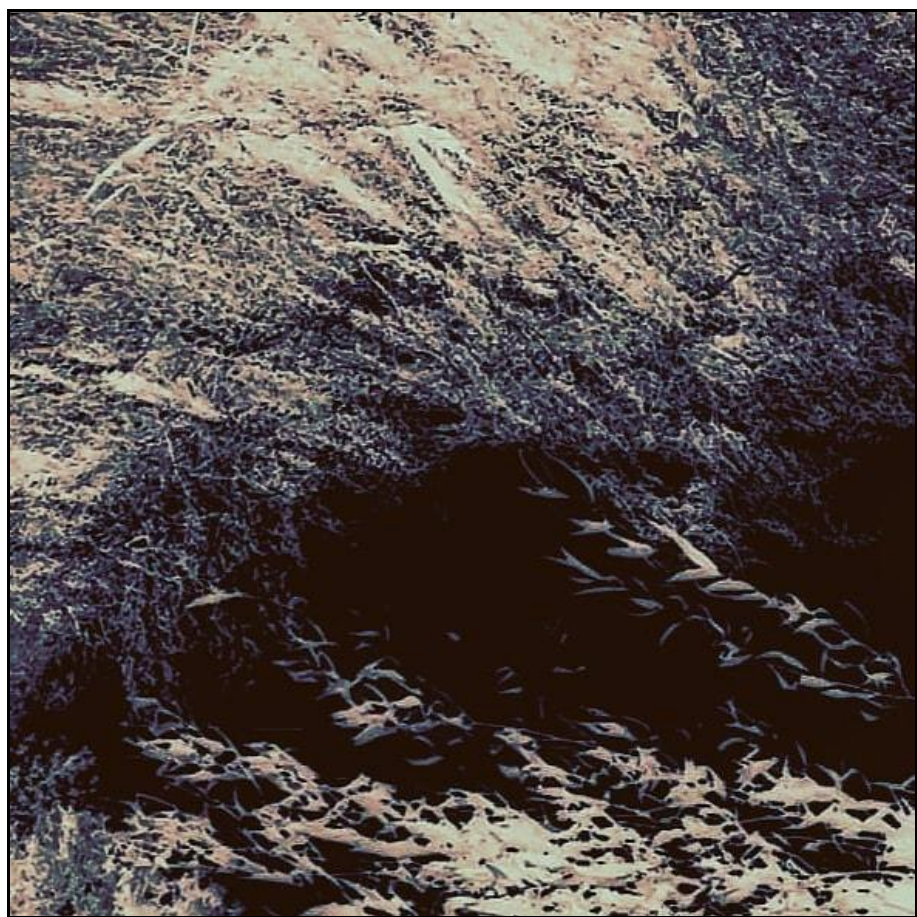




















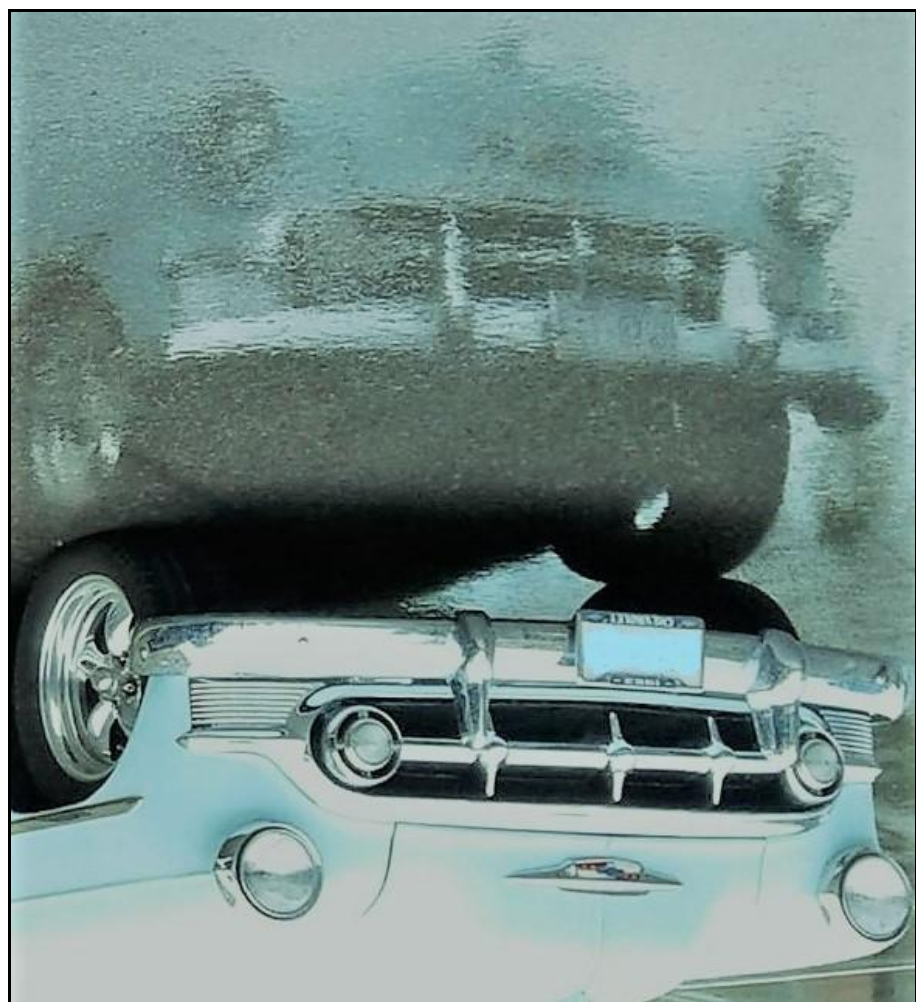


























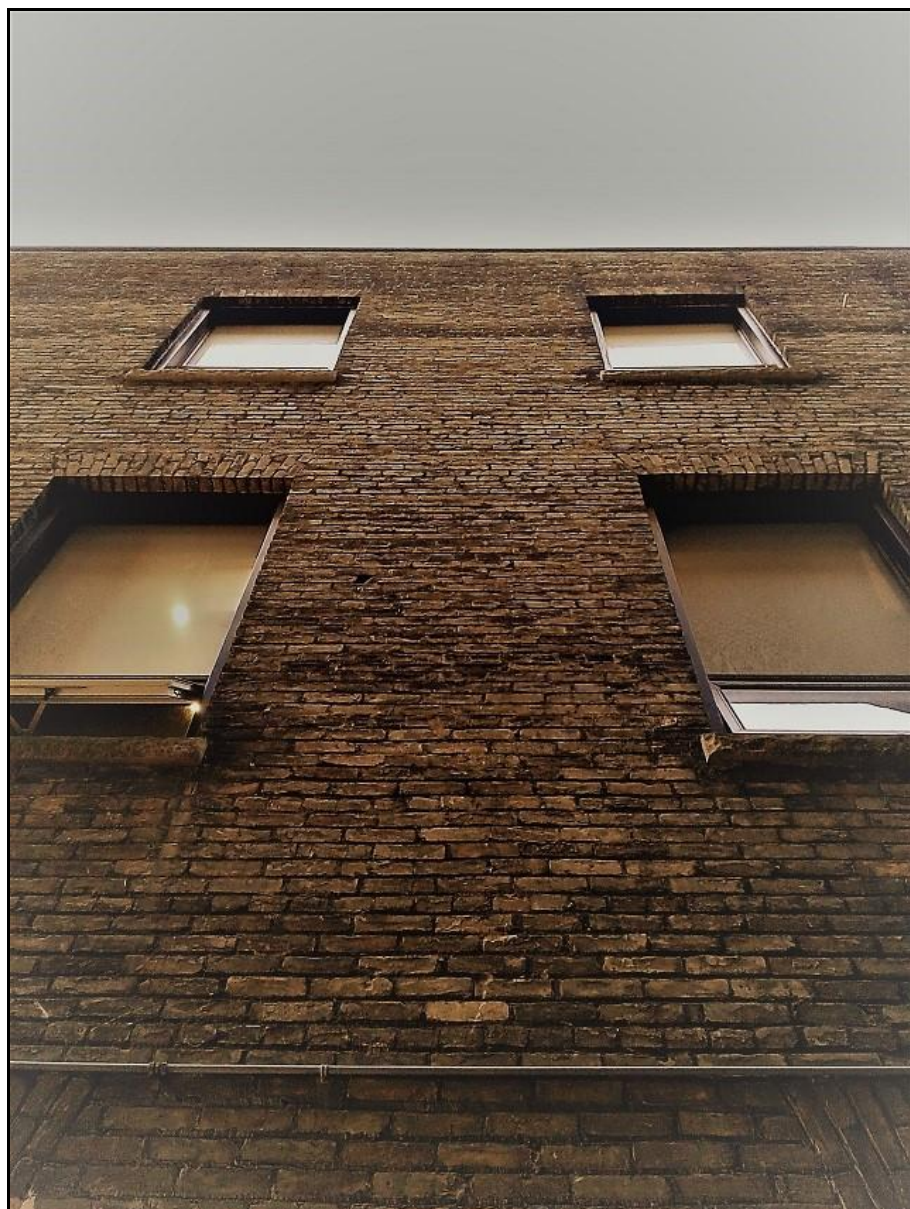




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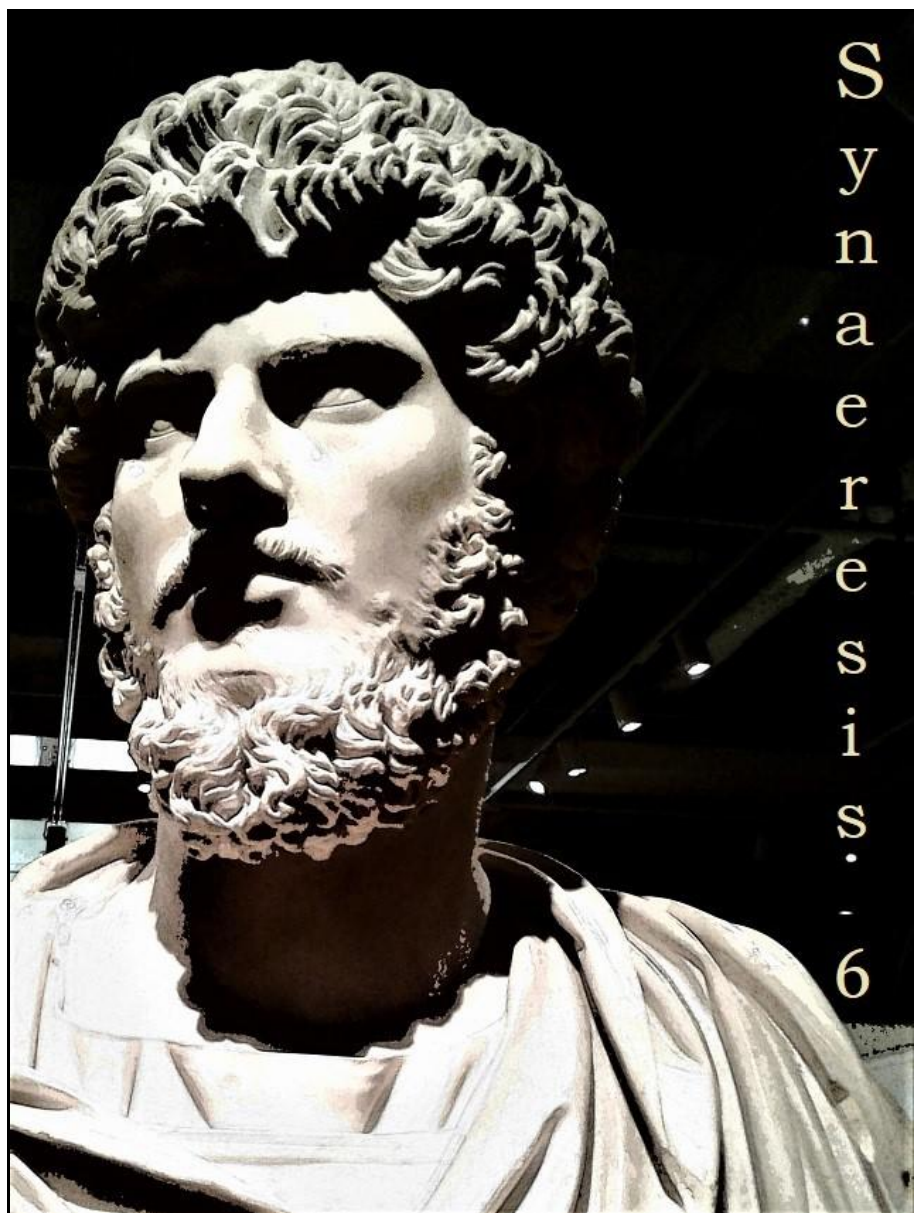








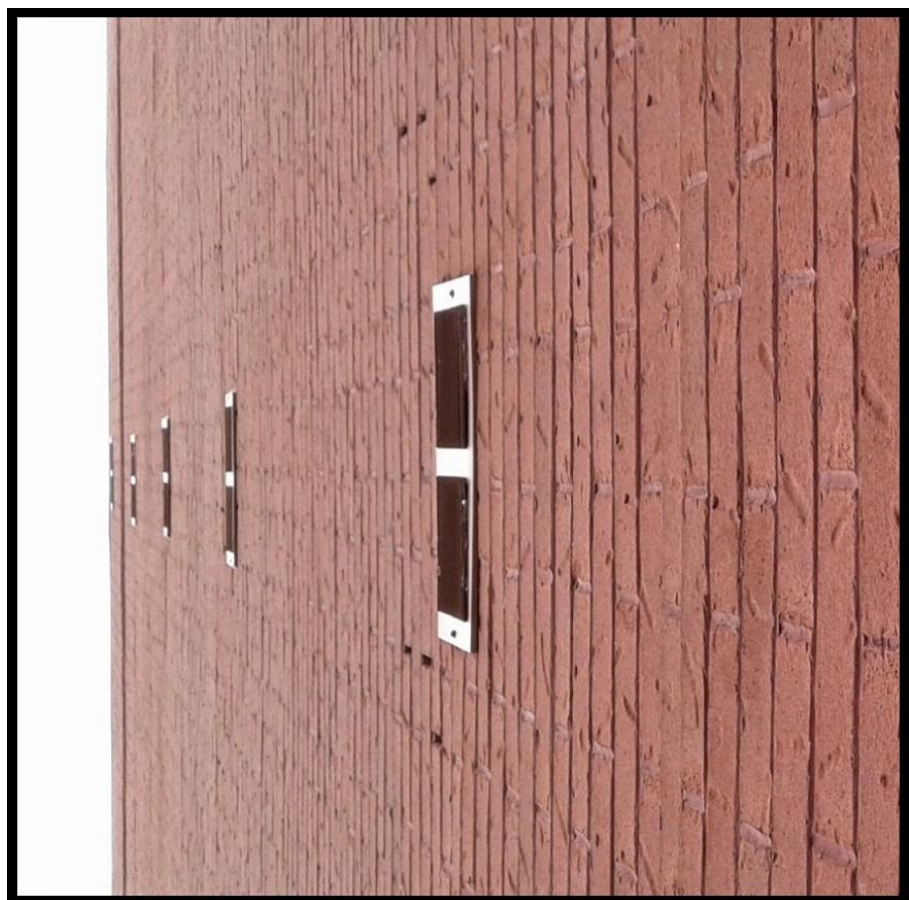




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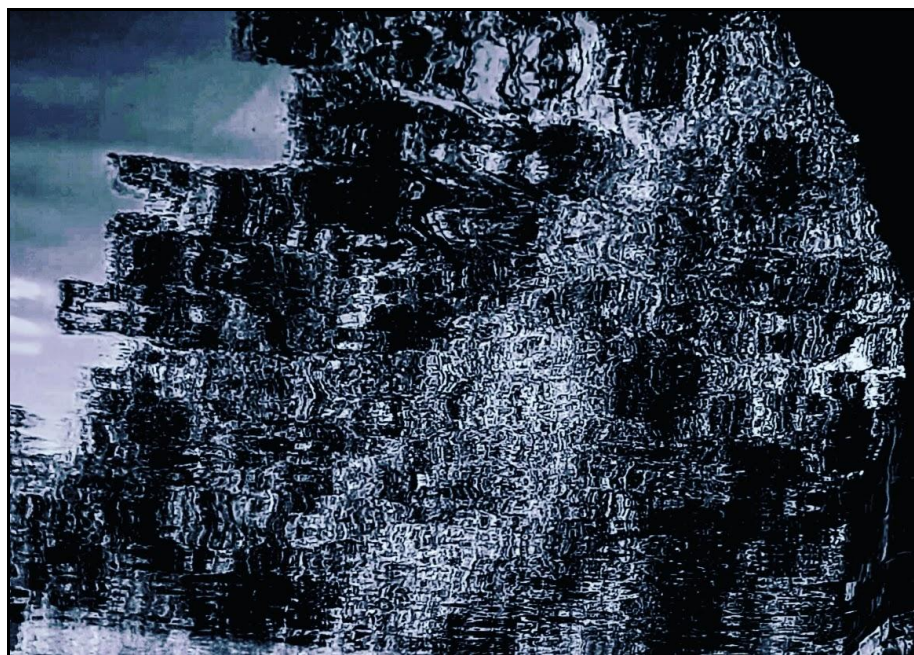










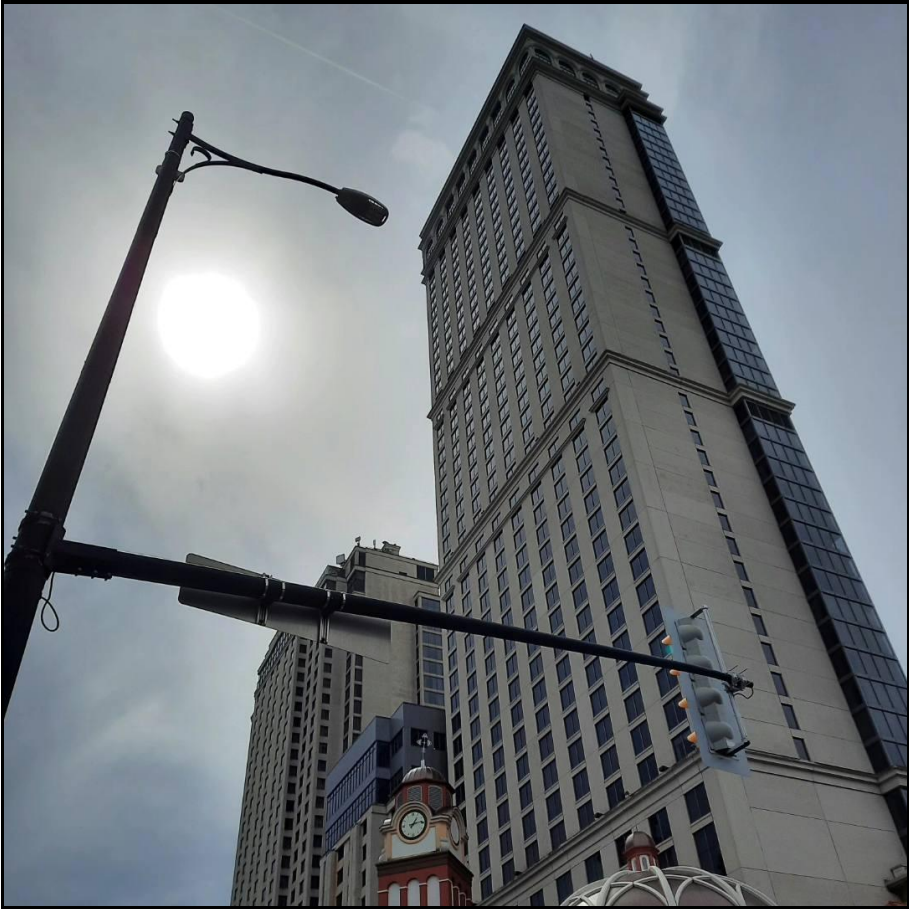








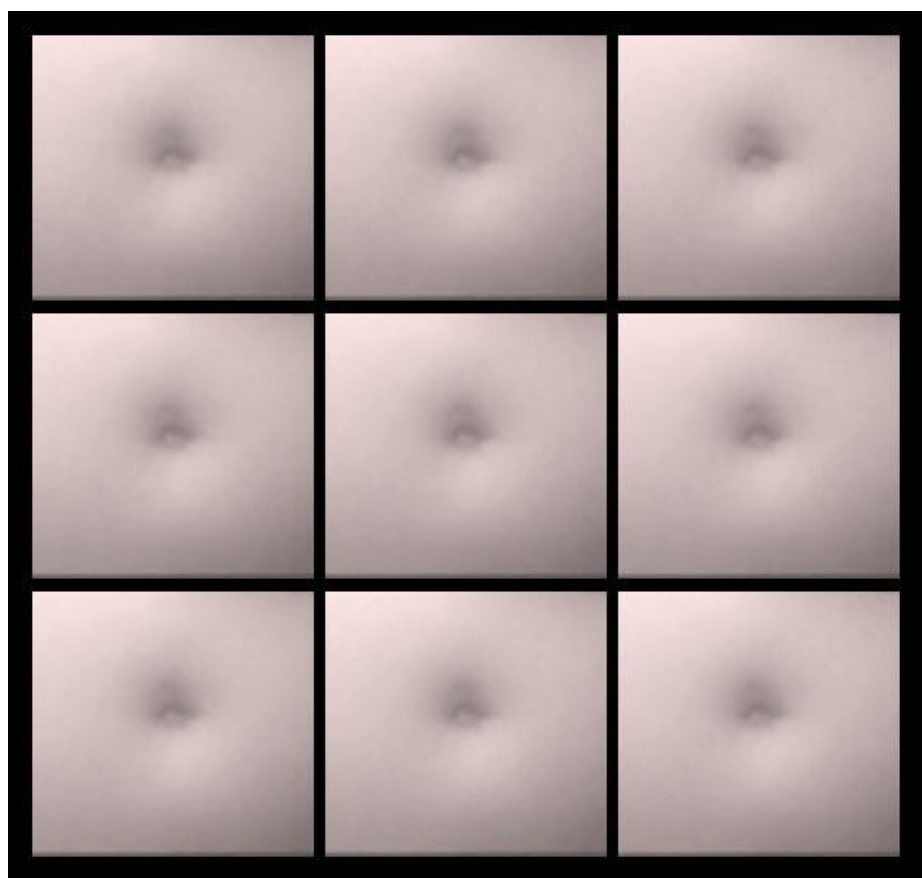














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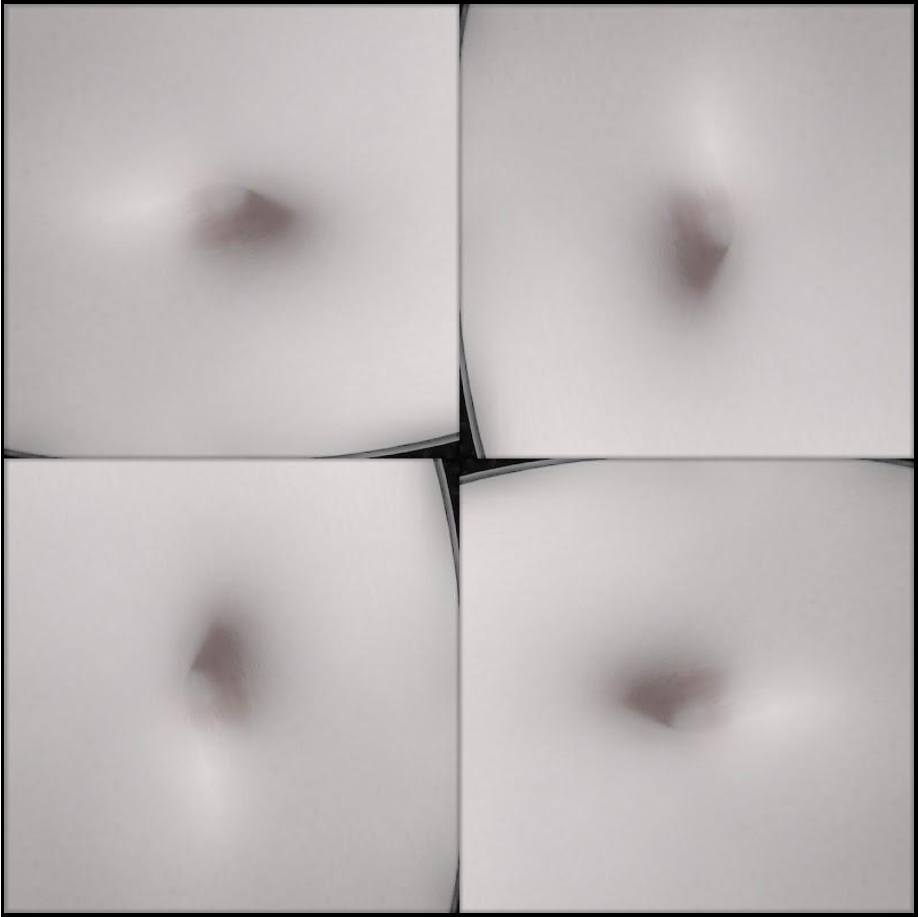
Scar in my center  
Folded skin denoting loss  
Birth's disconnection

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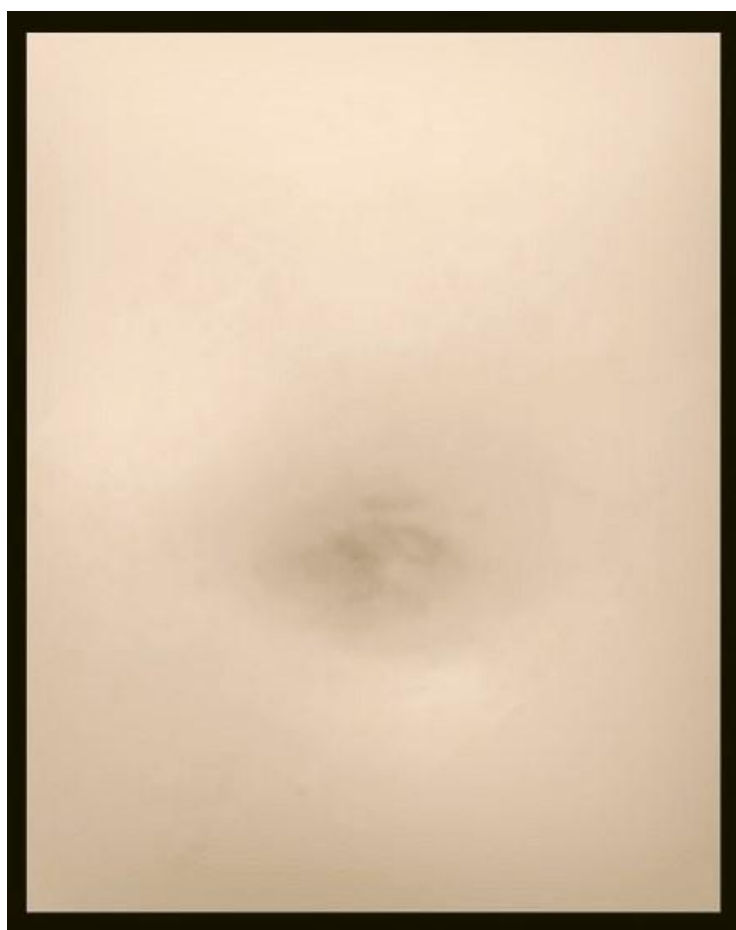






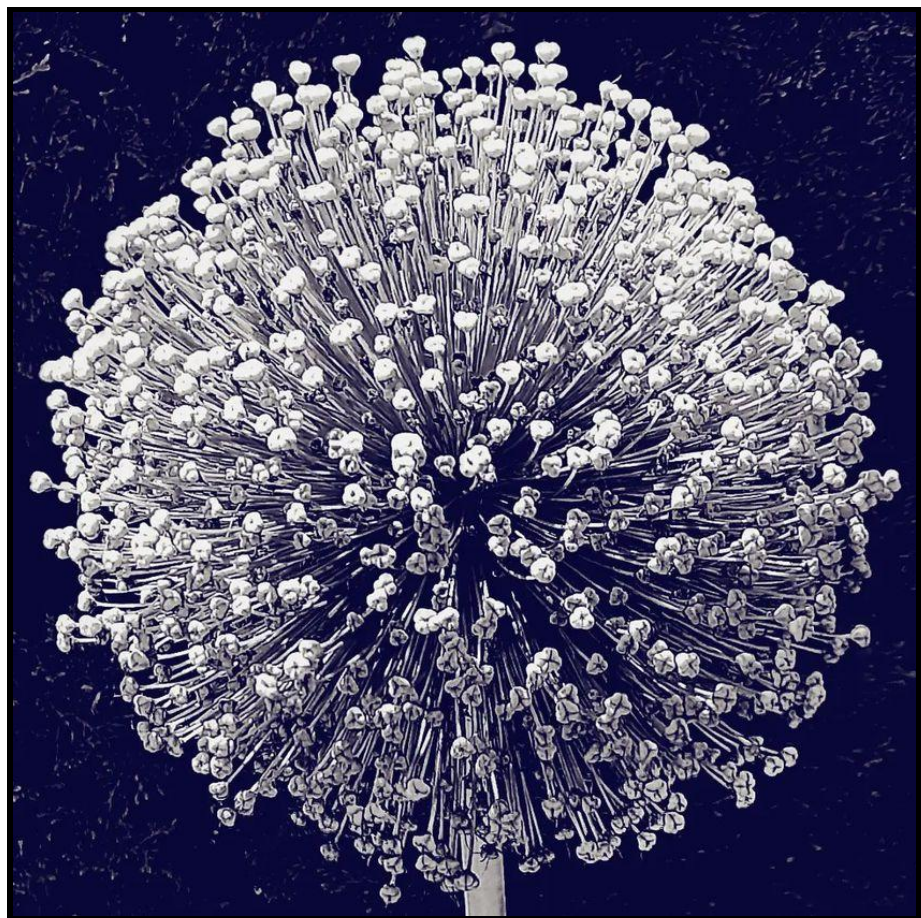


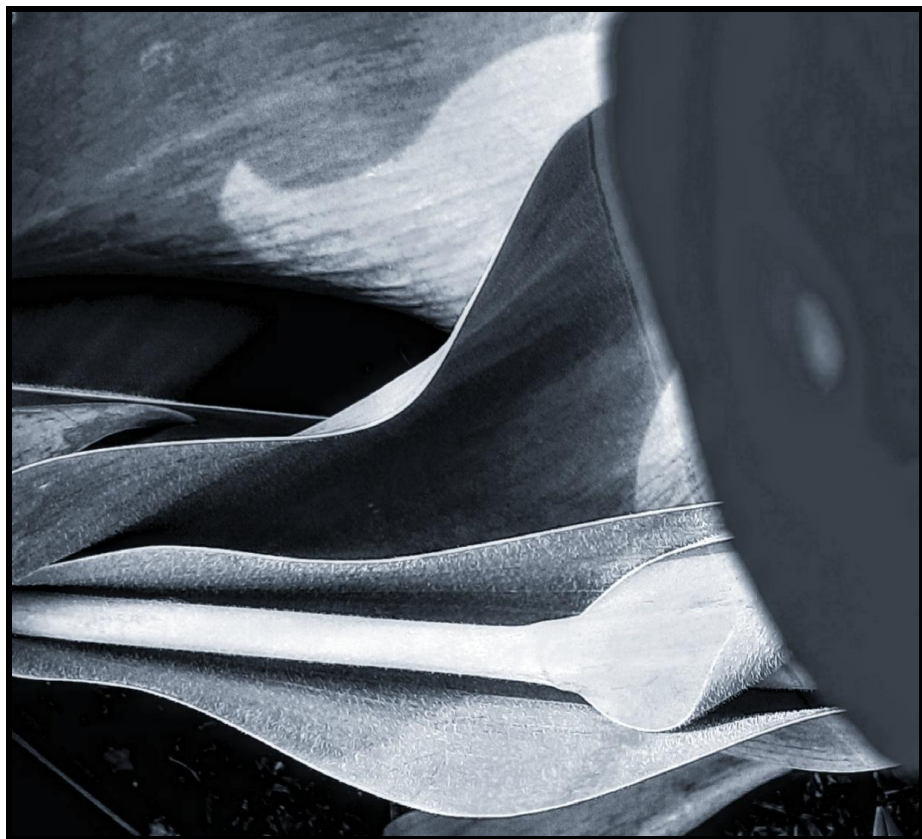






















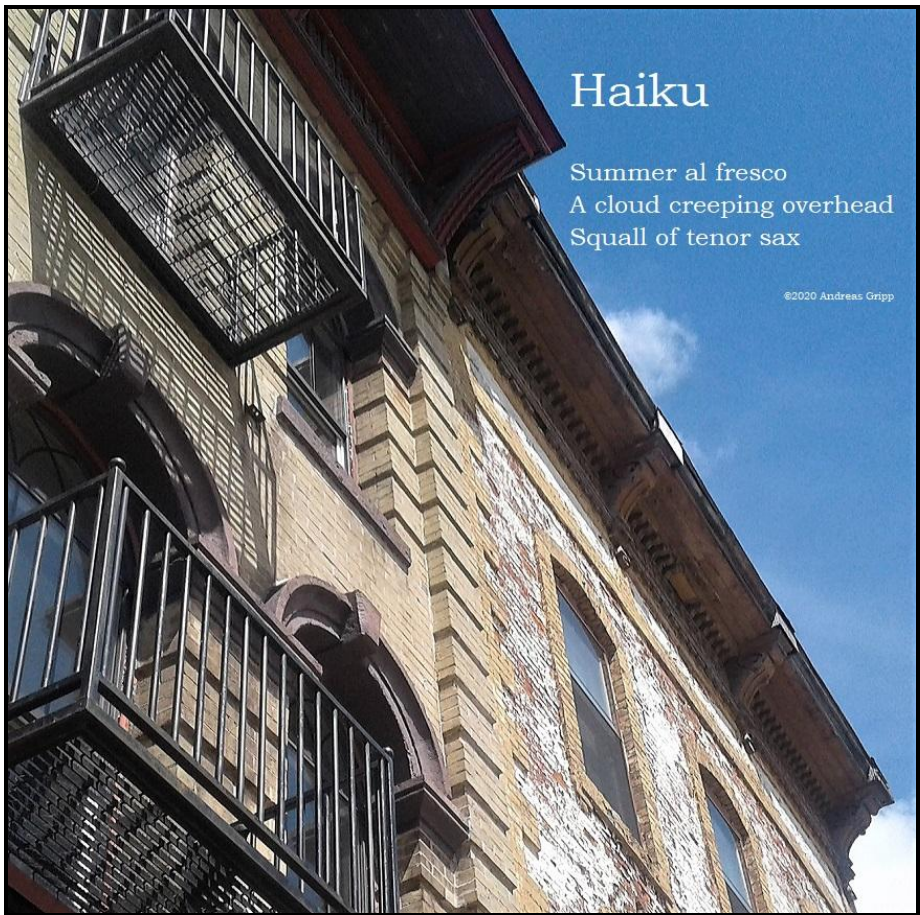












# Haiku

Summer al fresco  
A cloud creeping overhead  
Squall of tenor sax

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# P a r i s



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This one is not so Grand  
as its river, no Seine  
cutting at its heart  
or couples arm-in-arm  
amid *je t'aime*.

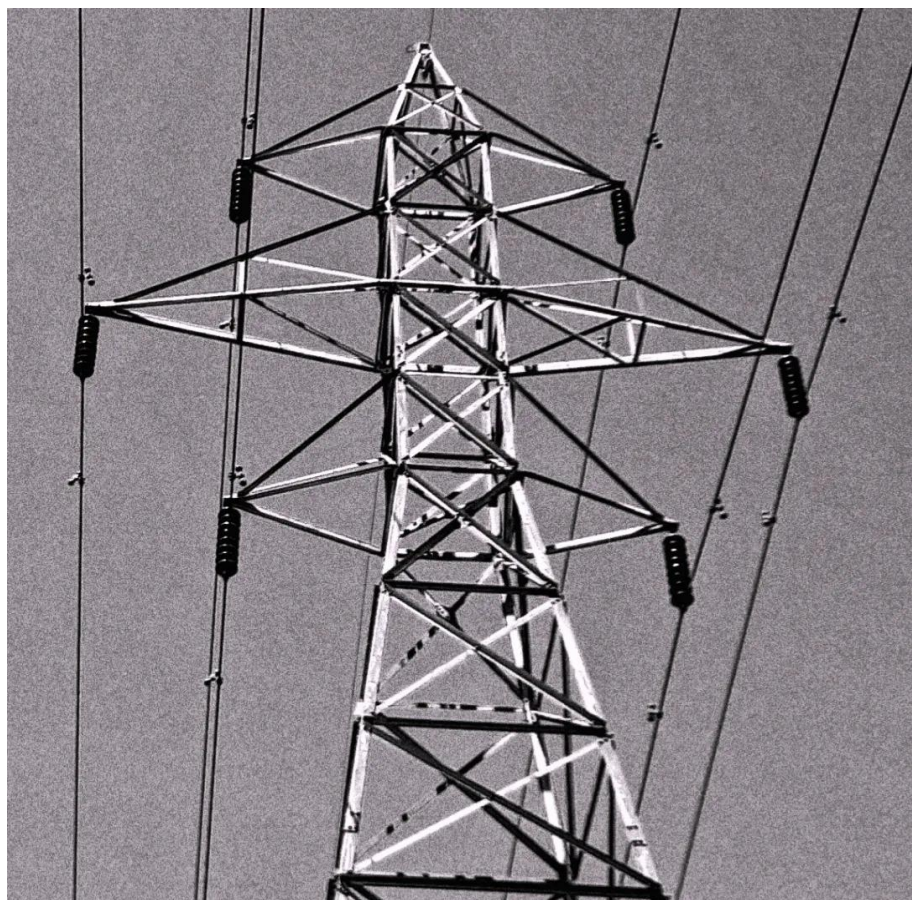
We can see  
the eroding townscape  
from this crowded  
rooftop diner,  
and there's a soufflé  
on the menu you'd like to try,  
while I scan the varied wine list  
for *Château Valfontaine*.

We made a *hard*, last-minute  
left off the 403, figured  
Brantford would be dull,  
there's only so much  
Bell and Gretzky  
we can digest, yet again.

And substituting for a tower?  
There's the truss bridge  
serving the railway  
that traverses the muddy banks,  
its lattice now a respite  
for a dozen, migrating flocks,

and, upon which, the locals say,  
some have confessed their love;  
plunged down in *ultime liberté*.



















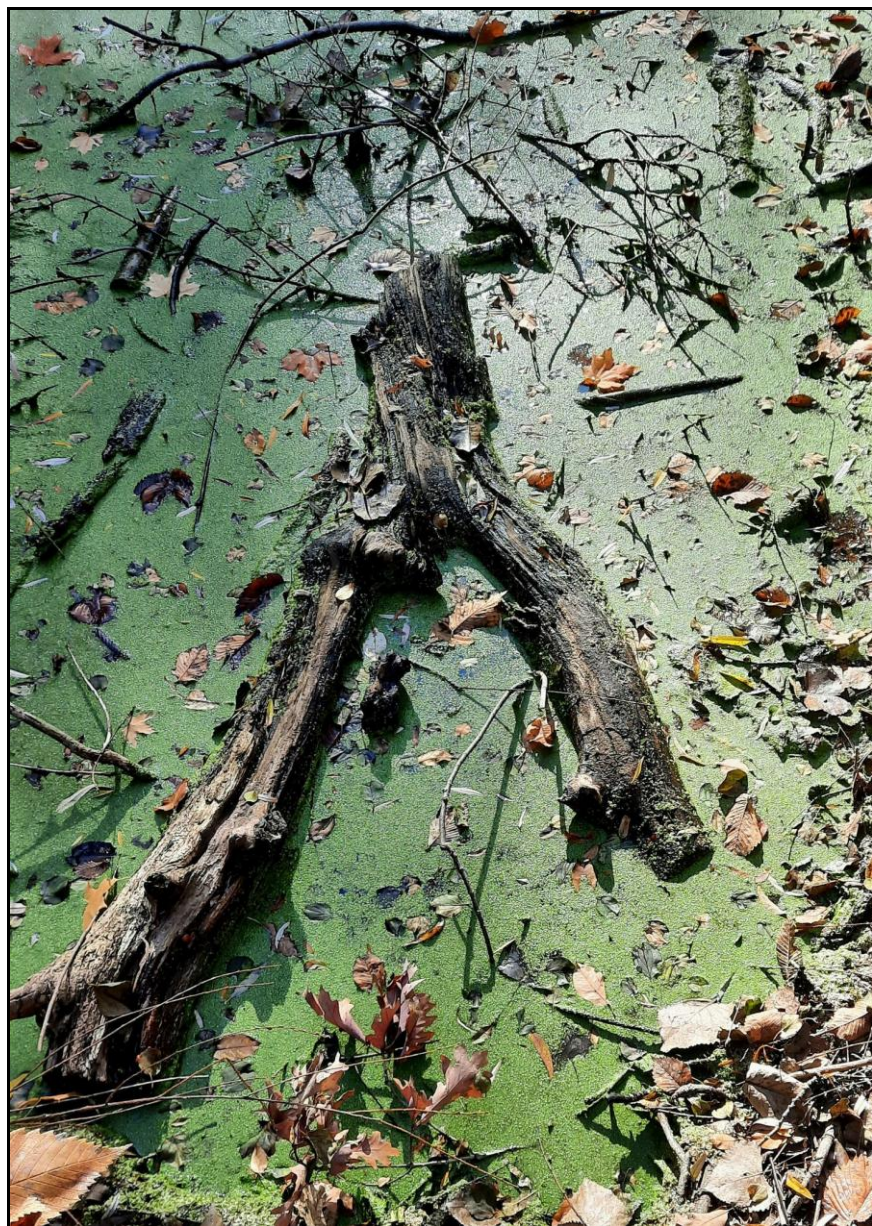
# Niagara Falls

Another honeymoon  
can only make it worse:  
beside the escarpment  
spilling its white,  
girdled by couples lost more  
in their partner's eyes  
than in the mounting mist  
below them,

and you, not noticing  
I've cut my hair, that I've left  
my glasses behind,  
that *I love you* is drowning  
in rumbles, a daredevil  
in a barrel, cleft upon the rock,

interment in *water*  
rather than earth,  
with no one to leave fresh flowers.



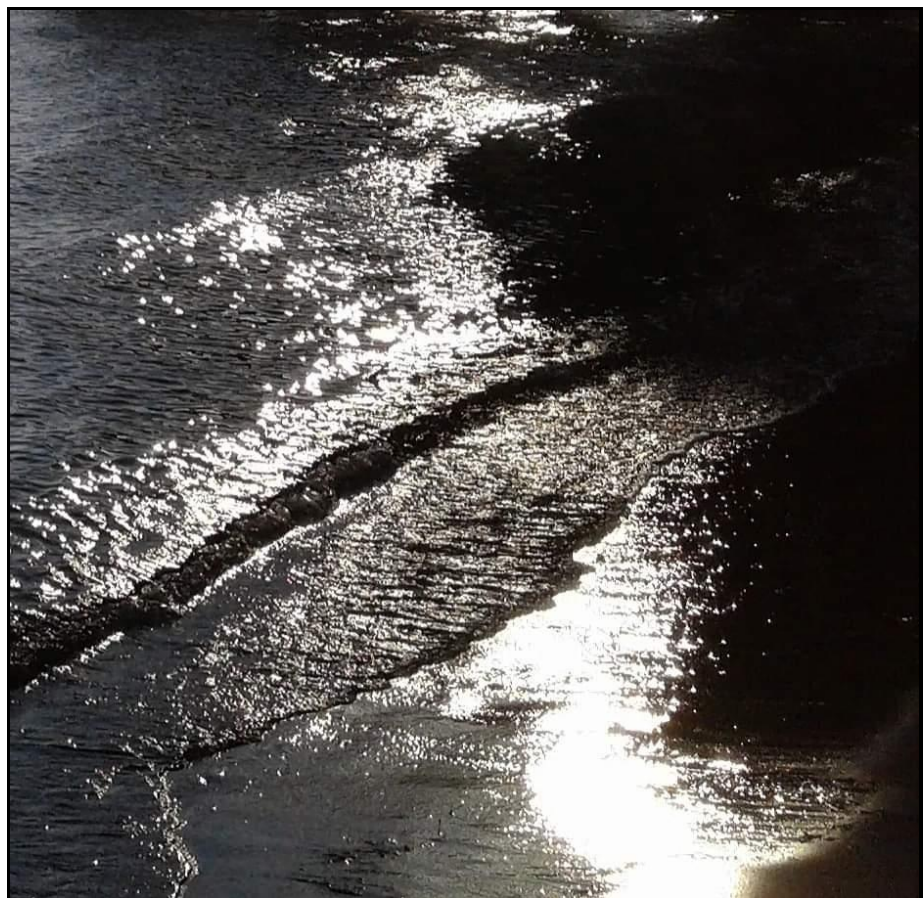






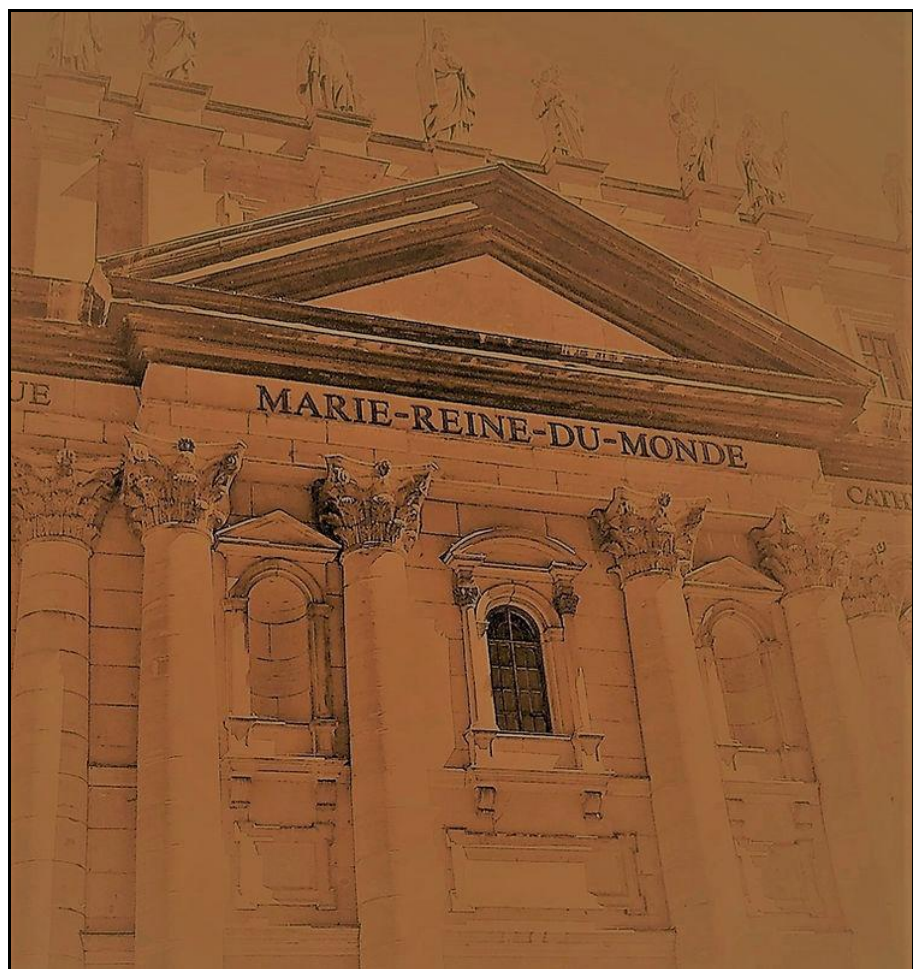


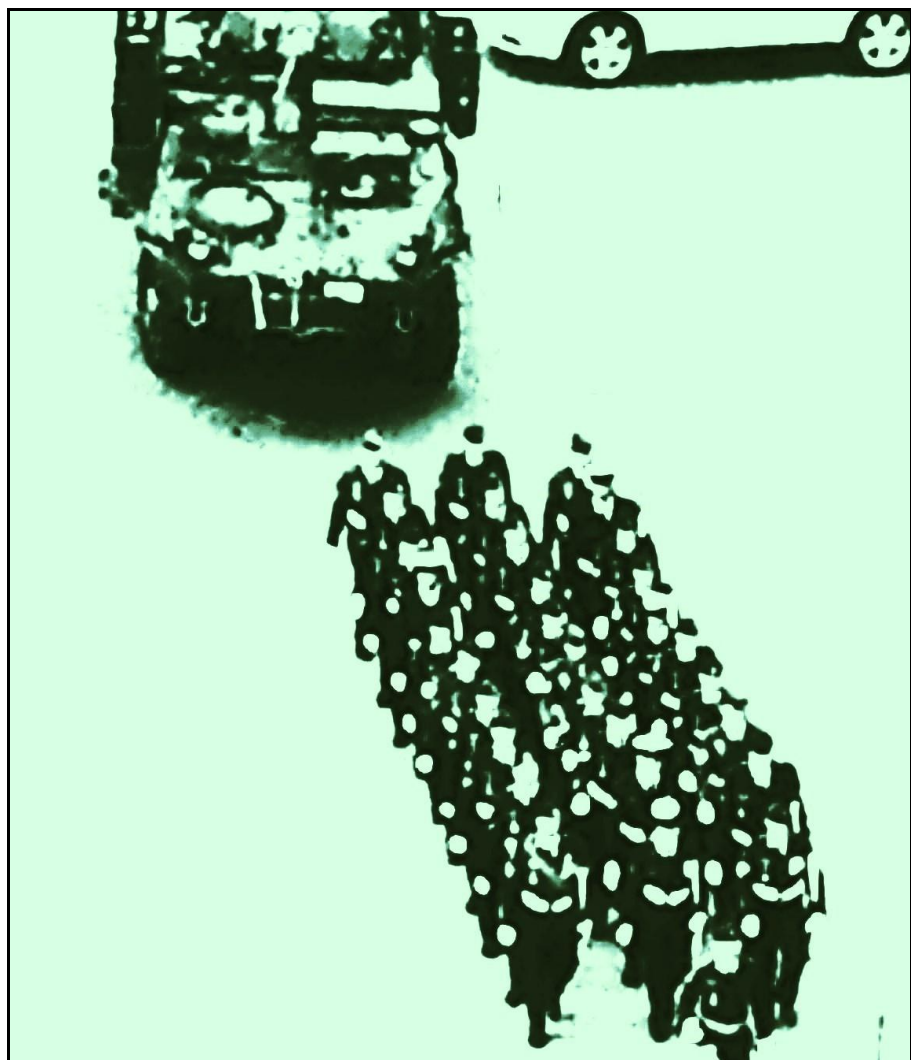
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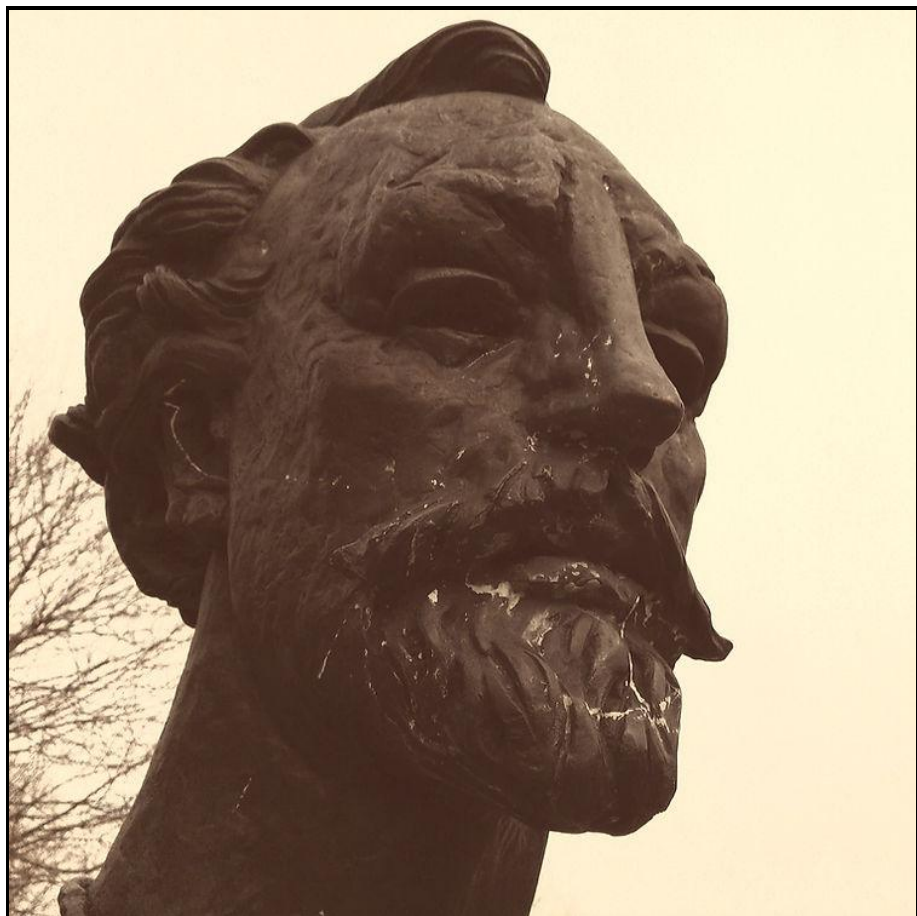


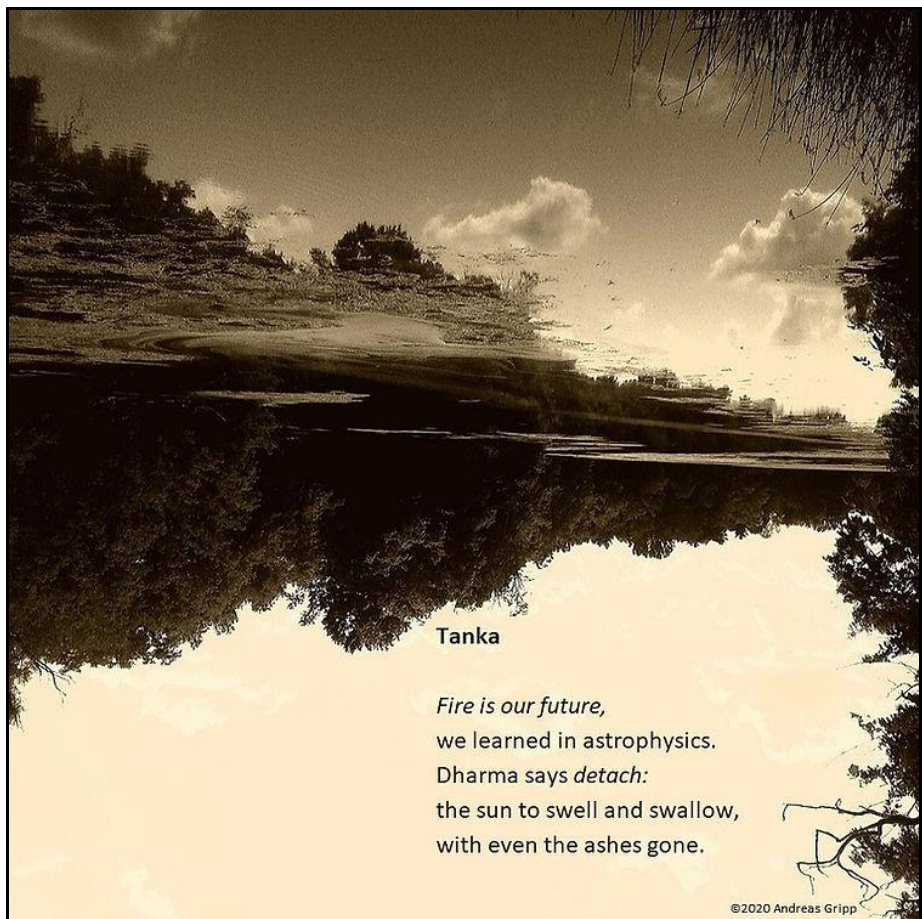












## Tanka

*Fire is our future,*  
we learned in astrophysics.  
Dharma says *detach*:  
the sun to swell and swallow,  
with even the ashes gone.

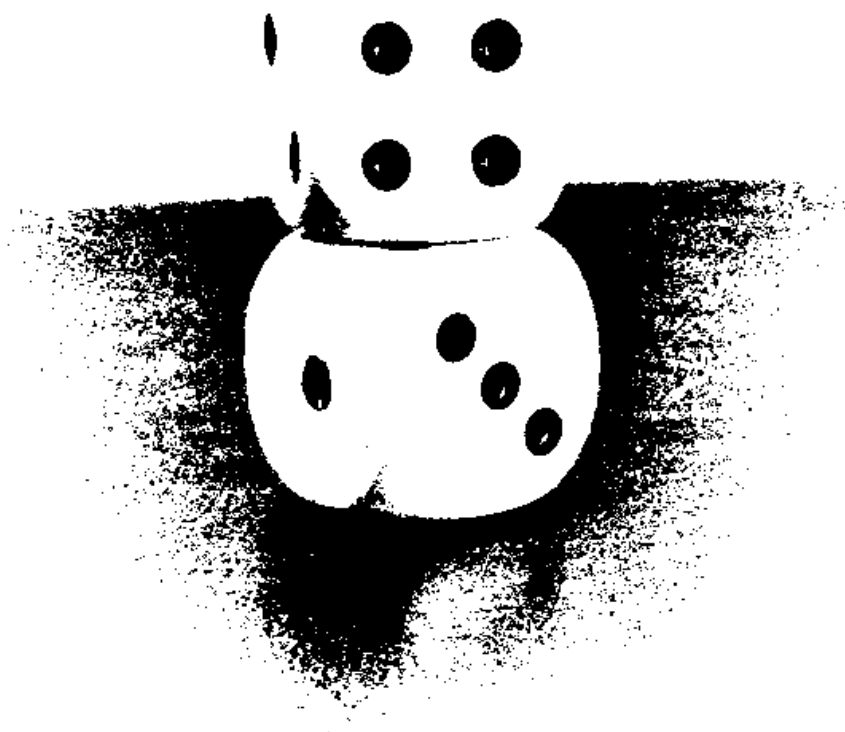




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