



## street philosophy

The streets are a collective canvas, sometimes they even become a philosophical forum where anonymous voices share their truths. In shop windows, on walls, and in unexpected corners of our urban landscape, messages appear that stop us, forcing a moment of recognition, a smile, or a pause for deeper thought.

This collection captures some of those encounters with street philosophy – the handwritten signs, bold declarations, and quietly profound statements that transform city spaces into sites of human connection. Authentic expressions from people who share a piece of wisdom, humor or truth; the moment, when someone decided their private thoughts deserved public space. From the witty to the profound, from the encouraging to the challenging, these messages remind us that philosophy isn't confined to academic halls – it lives in the spaces we walk through every day.

There's something refreshingly human about encountering unfiltered thoughts in physical space. These street philosophers are offering their perspectives to anyone willing to look up.

The city speaks – these are its voices.

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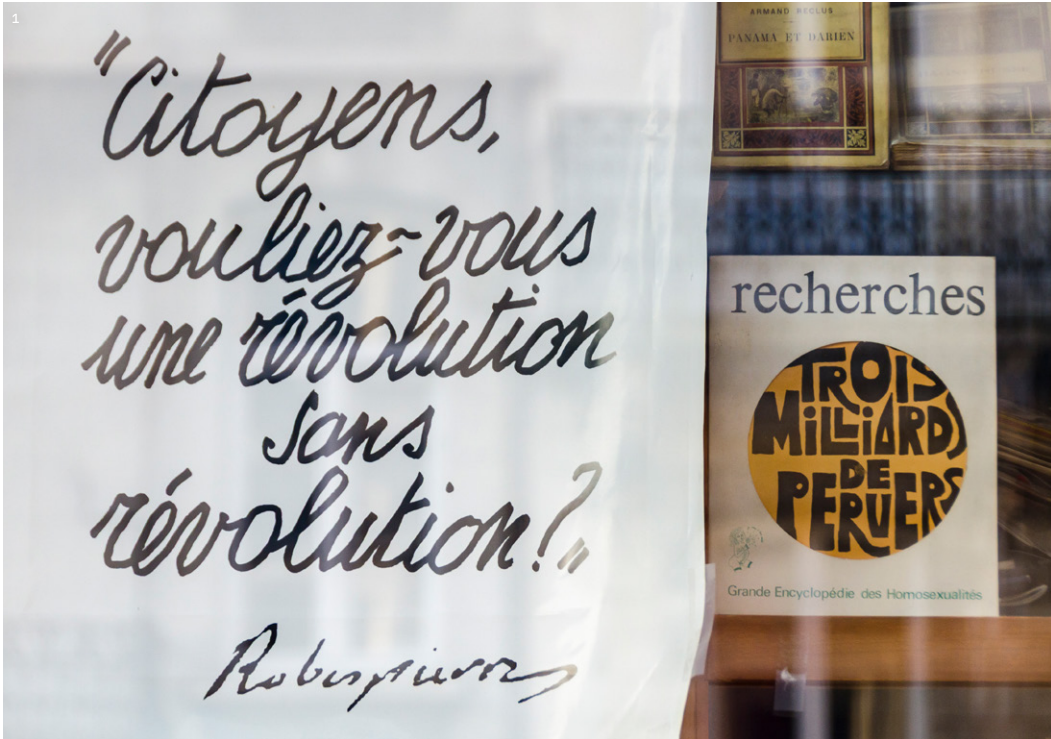
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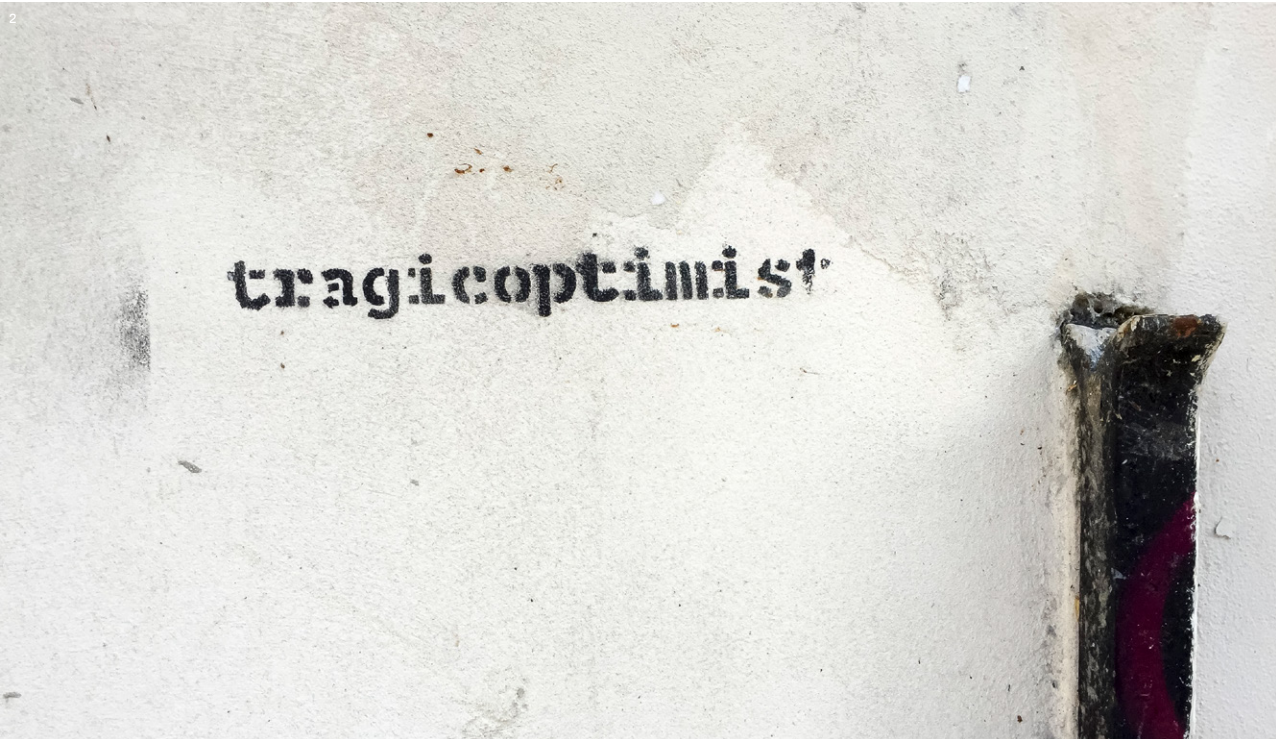
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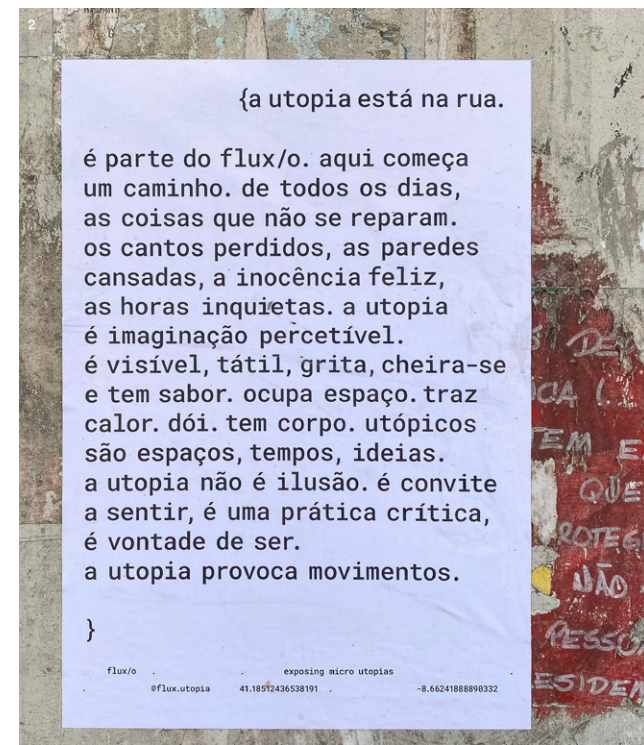
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- 4> 201608\_24\_IMG\_1391: 24.08.2016 20:53, berlin, germany
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“According to neoliberal ideology it is a ‘dog-eat-dog’ world. But where and when do you see dog eating dog? Unless they are starving (due to unnatural conditions), badly socialised (a problem of conditioning) or on a leash (the perfect metaphor for the dysfunctional nature of authoritarianism), you are much more likely to see dog-sniff-dog, dog-play-with-dog scenarios. Neoliberalism focus on competition reveals that, at its heart, it relies on divide and rule. Economist Friedrich Hayek, grandpappy of the selfish, anaesthetized death of human beings naturally organise into autonomous communities that support supporting, happy and content communities. But where’s the government’s role in this?”

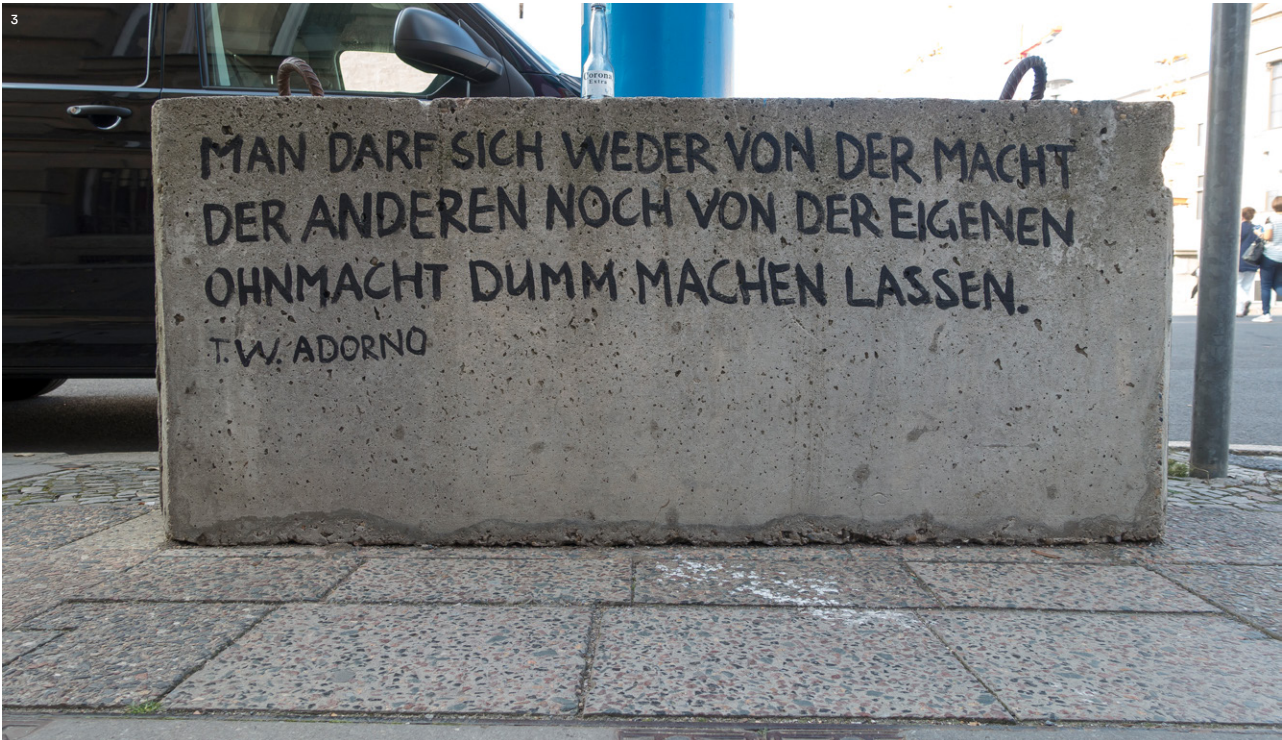
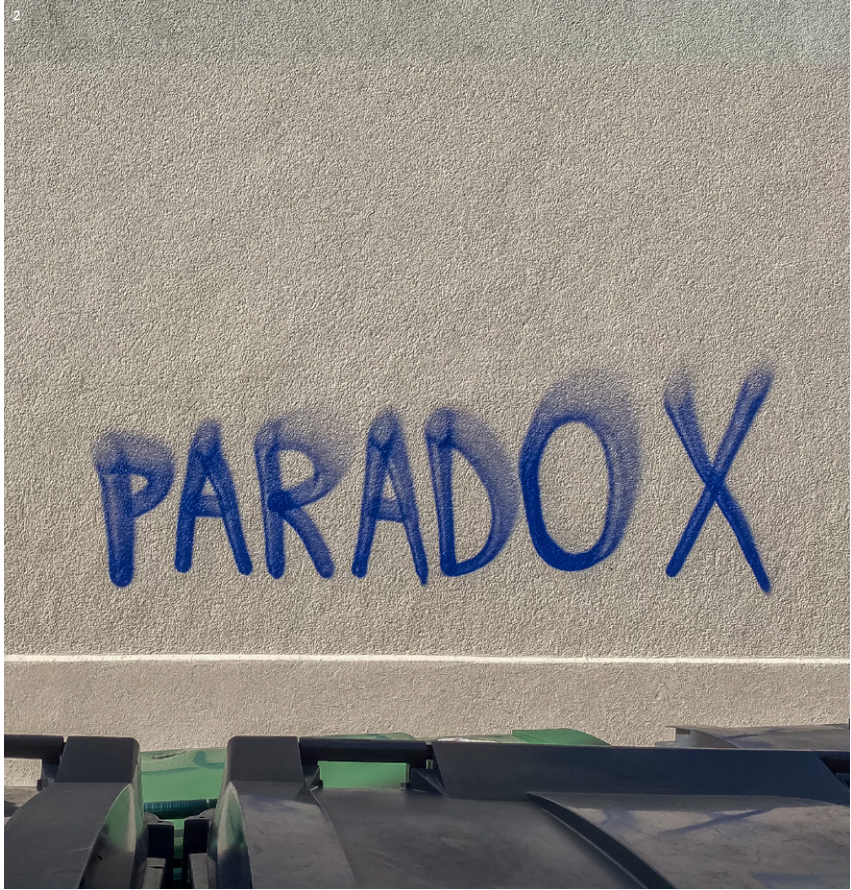
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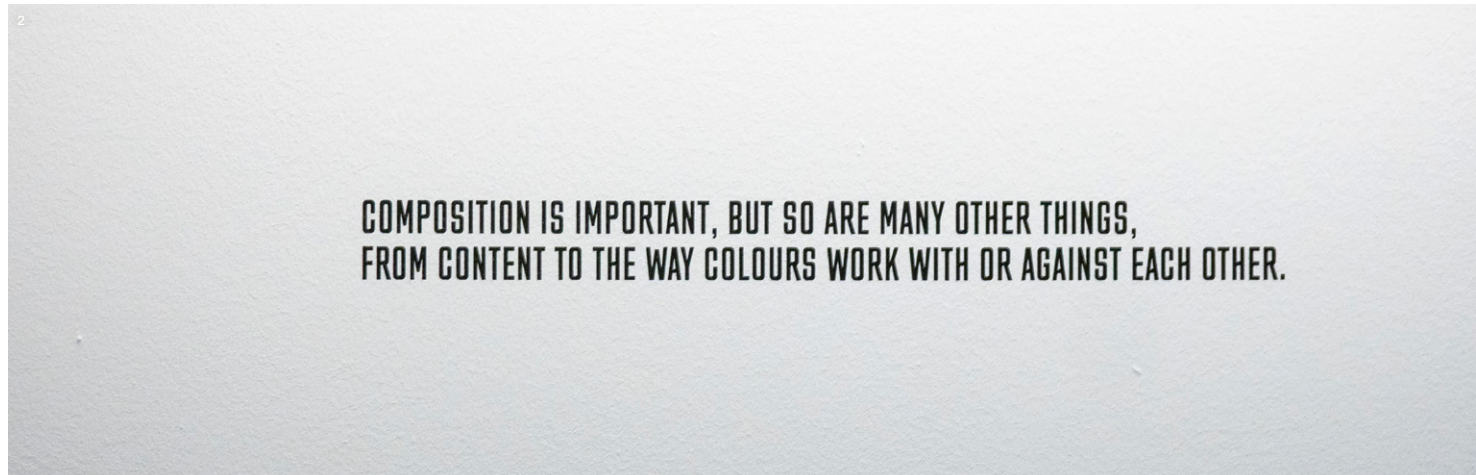


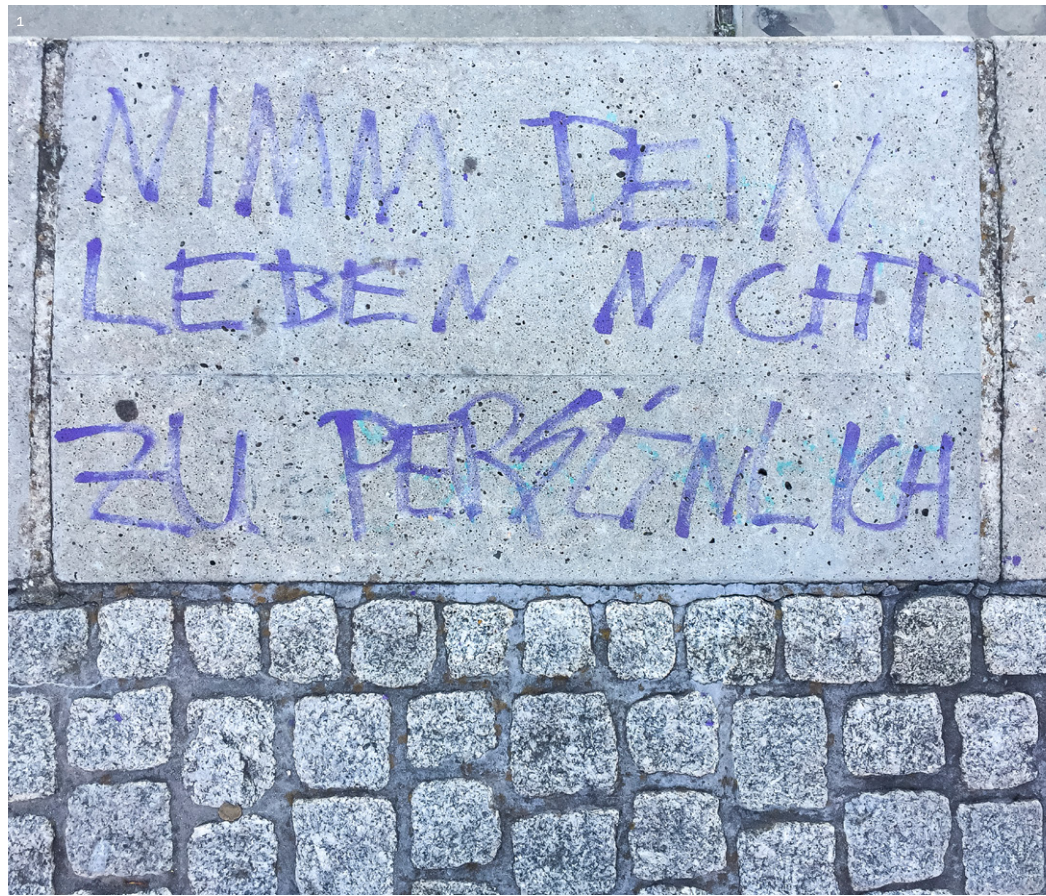


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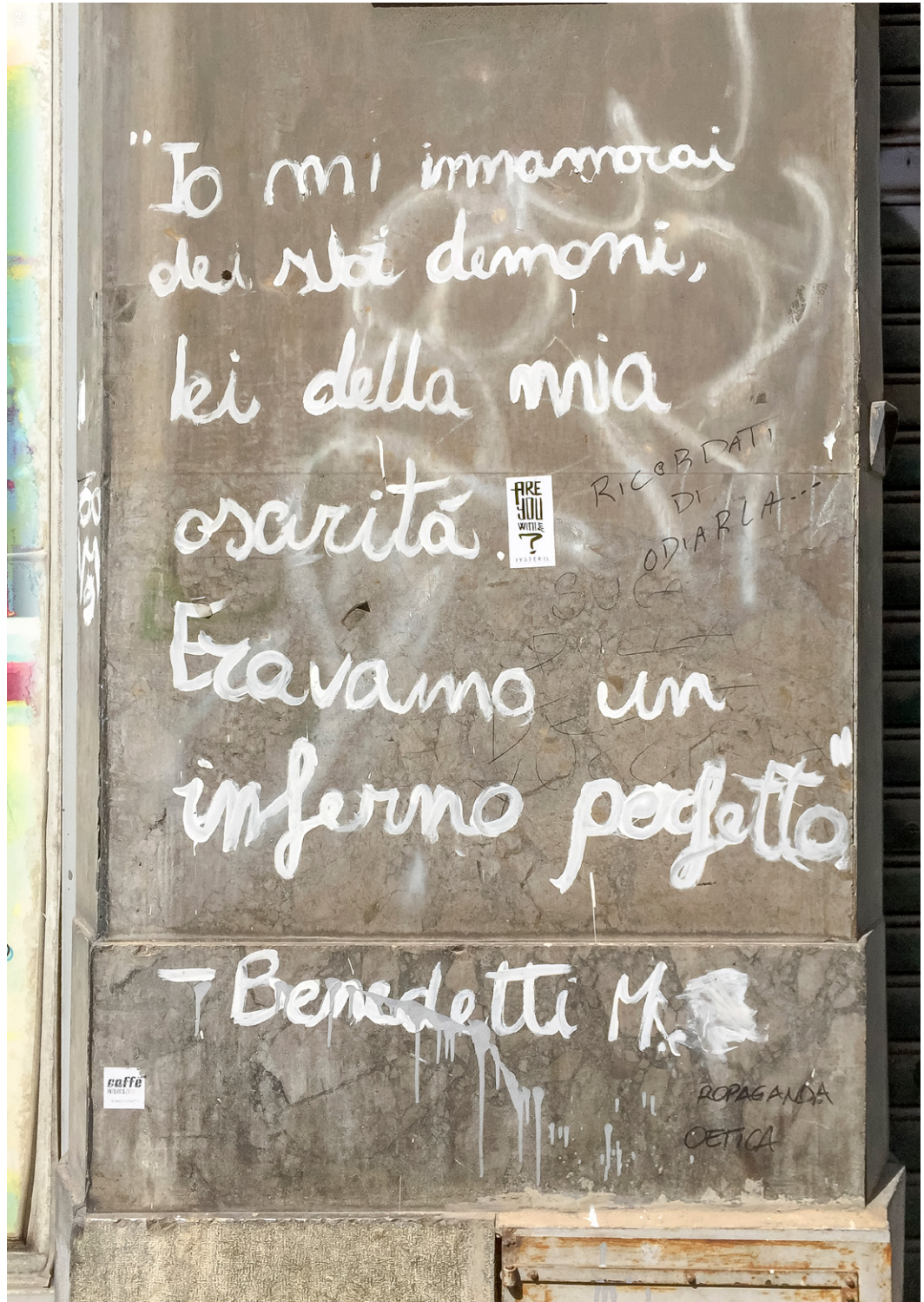


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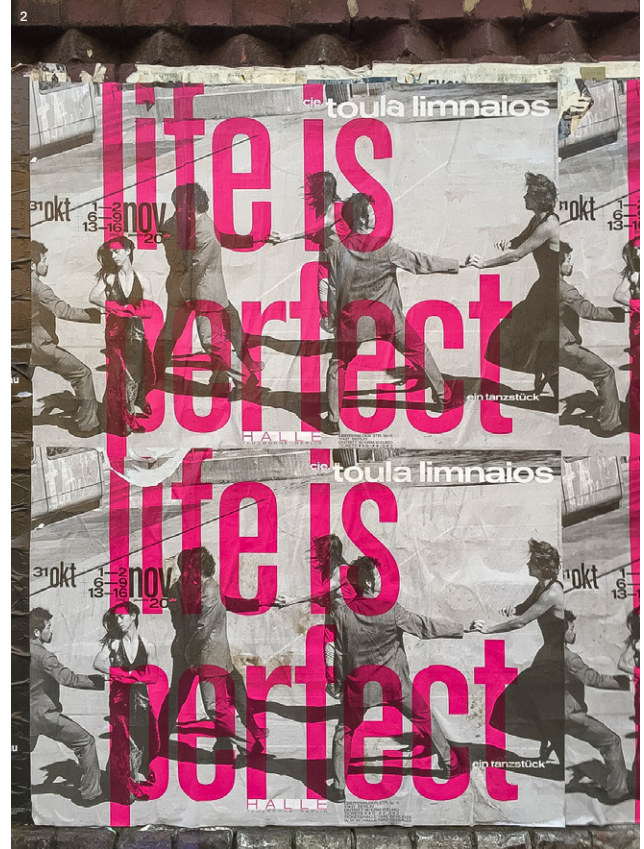




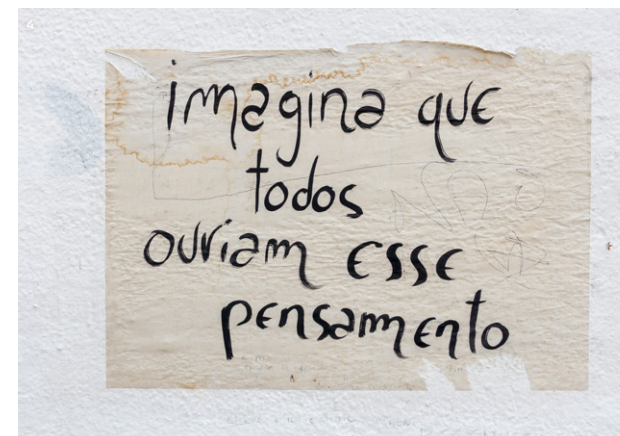
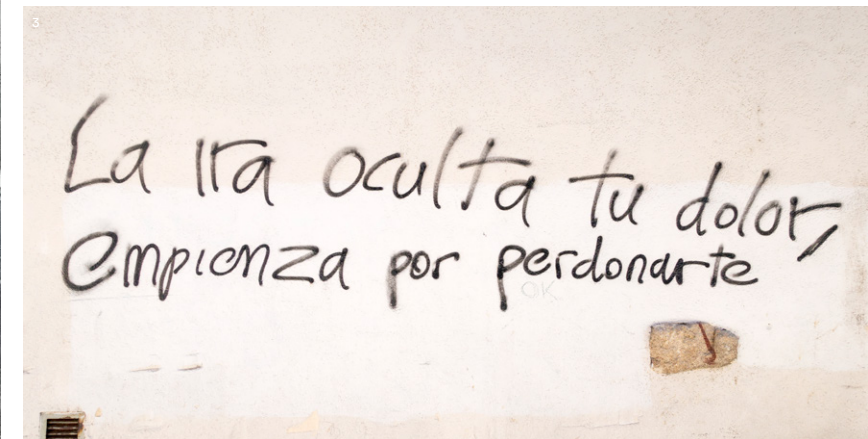
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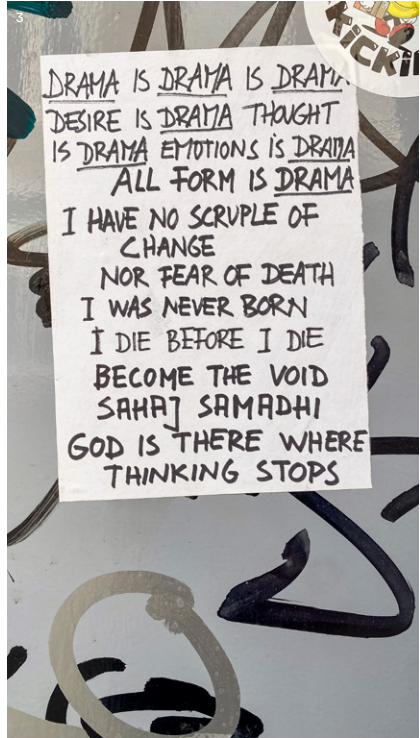
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À minha Mãe sempre me disse  
que é difícil perceber as coisas.  
O meu Pai sempre a ouviu,  
sem nada dizer  
(acredito que ele estava a tentar  
perceber as coisas).

Disse-me ela que, se eu acreditar  
com muita força, consigo perceber.  
Eu quero acreditar que a ouço  
com a mesma força que o meu Pai tem.

Ela não precisa de estar certa,  
eu só preciso de a ouvir  
com muita força.

