

Dedications/ Credits



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1. Can you define "art" for me?

Thanks for your question, to be honest I never thought of a definition of it and certainly I am not having the ambition to be able to define it in absolute terms. I could however attempt by imagining art as a reflection of self that meets beauty in the eye of the beholder.

2. What do you intend to do with your art?

My artistic production aims primarily to offload memories of places I had the luck to live during my journeys in countries I had and have the chance to visit. It is somehow the way my emotive system deals with an overcharge of emotions that tends to surface at their own pace. Sharing at times images of these experiences it is, one could say, a short cut to the narrative of storytelling.

3. Your images have a very unique feel to them. Could you explain the process you use to make these images?

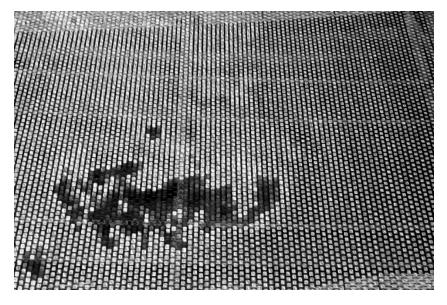
In the digital photography era, any of us does hundreds if not thousands of pictures, on the other hand in time you record only few moments that have left a mark on you. Occasionally I have an urge to go back to my picture library in search of the specific shade of a calling memory, then is all quite fast, I pick the snapshot and let my sense of aesthetics mature the picture into a revisited reproduction of an emotion.

4. Filmmaker, Jim Jarmusch, has given the advice "Nothing is original. Steal from anywhere that resonates with inspiration or fuels your imagination." Who or what are your influences and do you believe Jarmusch's statement?

Very few places have not been touched by human eye, so yes, nothing is completely original in that sense, however the layer of imagination on top of each situation we have lived creates an original print in your memory. I guess having lived in a country which has produced so much and relevant artistic expression has developed in me an inner sense for beauty.

5. Do you have any words of advice for young people?

I am sort of smiling to this, as you just recall me I may not be that young anymore, there is an entire world offering unlimited source of experience out there, my humble suggestion is to access as much as information and knowledge you can think of and then let your system deal with it. It is quite likely you would end up managing the overload of your emotions with a great deal of products, if they have an artistic sense the better.



"The Shade of Wind, Singapore," by Enrico Gaveglia

On Meditation, From the Middle of a Wheat Field CH Gorrie

"I would sit here forever and watch the grass bend in the wind and the war would end without me and I would not go home, ever. Years later in psychoanalysis I would recount this, and the doctor would explain it as a moment of surrender, when my system could no longer take the fear and the pressure and I gave up. If that's how to lose a war, we were wrong to have ever won one." — Richard Hugo

1.

In great waves of light the grain flows westward, Toward nothing, And its neutral glint (fugitive, shiny, present) Holds forever, Is gone, then is here.

2.

Colorless As these reflections are, wordlessly possessed By waves They'll never assess, They comfort.

Memories on a Shoreline; or, At Children's Pool Beach CH Gorrie

1.

It's odd Time never came To wonder under these beaches' loam,

To walk forty steps to a tide Where sea-green foam flashes full its blade.

2.

Trammeled like a nun, that girl Swept me thoughtless. A root's gnarl

Could symbolize slender pain Beneath the scleras: two jackals' den.

3.

Hurt inwardly, like darkened stars, So bursting silence is all one hears.

4.

The monotony of this shoreline is a throwback; What phantoms come: an electric shock.

Why ten years ago is all I know Isn't half as important as *who* or *how*.

5.

The autumnal tremors, the rainless moonlight... Memories of little weight....

Untitled CH Gorrie

"Don't be frightened if I cry And my shoulders shudder," she Breathes. The lavender of the sky Droops above a dim winter's sea, And just as the words are out I graze her cheek like a blade of grass Drops its dew. "I'd be a true lout — ", Her fingers of orange topaz — Gleamed in moonlight — stop my lips short. "Don't." Teardrops roll slowly down In a display apt for an old court Show; such sadness in her tone. "By day she was a loving mother, but at night she seemed uncanny. Then she was like one of those seers who is at the same time a strange animal, like a priestess in a bear's cave. Archaic and ruthless; ruthless as truth and nature. At such moments she was the embodiment of what I have called the 'natural mind.' I too have this archaic nature ..." – Dr. C.G. Jung

Like the sound of a stream – Archaic and ruthless – Her voice flowed, and I dream All voices were once like this.

The Fletcher Chimes at San Diego State CH Gorrie

"Song, speak for me who am dumb as are the dead..." – Algernon Charles Swinburne

1.

Kids – Could they have understood this "sacrifice"?

2.

Kids, On the edge of living, About to dip into life.

3.

Kids: Epitaphs, Sunday daydreams, Skeletons wrapped in flags.

4.

Kids Whose lives are packed into one plaque Near Hardy Tower, tucked Behind bushes by the biology labs.

5.

Kids Stop every so often, Linger a moment over the names, Mouthing one or two Before scooting off to class.

1970 (Feel Alright) Joshua Hart

Nine in the morning on a chattahoochee plantation. Circles of black mascara painted her cheeks. She was in a land of black jeeps, where frightening news was whispered in her ear.

Houses bought on postage stamp losses. National conventions never held. All of east-town Atlanta cordoned, everything shut down but Club Rio, where the beautiful had their private parties. Angels employed solely by the fashion scene.

She wants to be them,

wants their lives, their motions, their smooth skin. She sees them everyday, her mode of employment is nighttime guarding of their great, big warehouses; buildings that ran parallel to the man tributary, the running nose of the city.

One night she watched the pretty ones come through, looking at the paintings and pieces of history their kind had accumulated. Munch! Degas! Morisot!

They were a Nebraska party, coming in from

Kountze.

They didn't know what they were looking at, not really,

but they spoke of abstract beauty using beautiful words.

If only, she thought, If only I could taste the tongues

Eat From My Garbage Dump Joshua Hart

I curse the idea that Buddhism is always the foolishness of a man shot with uniqueness of forms, thoughts to be taken out of his flesh until the sweet Kurana Or until his assailants appearance.

I believe in Chinese art in the Nagarjuna styles, that which stresses natural forms, that which is no different than yoga forms in its many, many applications

Oh denizens of Gaia! Breathe in the air!

There is no Dharmadhatu and there is Avatamsaka Sutra and there is Shih and there is Li and there is Li Shih Wuai and there is Shih Shih wuai and there is the great T'ang dynasty and al of its lovely woodblock prints

Widen your basic categories of experience

your world is divided into mind and matter but doesn't form and manner sound so much sexier? Sexy is subject idealism Mahayana is not mind Construction is meaningless!

Something and maybe a U2 song Joshua Hart

I can't write nothing 'bout no one because I owe money. My right hand can't help build america, it can't even grip a cock right. The left is too preoccupied with youth.

I got a field and a retention pond instead of the untamed west. I got top ten lists and a fear of cancer. "God," I say, as I clasp my hands. But even that joy was taken from me. Damn this healthy body! healthy

healthy healthy healthy body free of tuberculosis and stomach rot and dysentery, damn this healthy body to some scientific hell where it'll know everything and will be free of coughs

fuck this healthy mind healthy healthy healthy healthy mind with self reflection Like a pink labia and a warm free hugh fuck its every-thursday Psychiatric appointment I want bad decisions I want trips to tangier and things you regret with fervor I want to be able to cum without pleasing the other person.

Airbag Joshua Hart

Slip organic tubes Into bags Of black leather "For Vomir" in cracked white letters Neutrality down countless throats neutrality liquid tepid, green wild water We are nothing and rotting flesh.

Tenement Joshua Hart

Let's play a game a hand wrapped in bandages cool walls irony in 40 pages of pulp filth the house the house with plasticine the house with naked space can't set foot without disturbing rats

people weaving and jabbing at the demons in their skin kind people

desperate

old women with wrinkled areolas and old men with visible ribs people who have never seen a wooden fence outside of television people who breathe life into their veins at the drowning of the sun.



"Two Untitled Photographs," by Franky Kramer





"Untitled," by Franky Kramer

I've had half a bottle of whiskey and I still can't forget you Sydney Lynn

I went to a party tonight and got more drunk than I ever have been before.

People asked me what I did for a living,

and I said I wrote poems about the way you used to love me,

the curves of your body,

and the how your smile still brings me to my knees.

I'm not sure what I said wrong, but no one

asked me anymore questions after that.

Untitled Kaleigh Maeby

the rain on the window to some, a nuisance to some, a ruined evening to others the soft voice tapping the pa(i)ne whispering

"don't do it"



"Untitled," by Kaleigh Maeby

A Love Story Kaleigh Maeby

I almost got hit by a car 3 times today

I'm glad I didn't.



"Untitled," by Kaleigh Maeby

the test of sophistication Christopher Mulrooney

you pass under the tails of all the coats turned to warm their backsides at your burning by official order and religious prescript for that is the determining factor office and doctrine and the quality of tailoring take it all around

annealed Christopher Mulrooney

I haven't the fast cushion so the more breaks the sorrier I go still the fast saws are in the commercial market and cut no ice au contraire they ride the ice pack further out to sea that is the very devil of it hot

buck privates Christopher Mulrooney

not humor enough to catch a tadpole giggling yet the rodomontade in the public press the gigantic lights upon the boulevard a spangled jetty and marina harbor and all for the entertainment that is not forthcoming

the mind gave Christopher Mulrooney

and gave even money at the dog track it calculated all the hounds one by one the dog Treat ran first by a long mile the dog Basket ran next a quarter mile or so behind the dogs Dinner Body and Life trailed down the track the dog Trainer panted along for the next race

a change of underwear Christopher Mulrooney

for the added freshness of a Tuesday so you know it's tatted right on the thing so to speak in case you forget on your peregrinations to the wishing well and the fortune cookie factory you have only to consult the inner man as it were

La Madera, 1986 Miriam Sagan

a long time ago we were here and broke the ice on the horse's trough, unbaled hay

when I didn't care much about anything outside of the circle of the stove and the couch where I lay reading "Clan of the Cave Bear" as if it were my job

we didn't yet have a child and you were still alive--well, obviously

while meanwhile meanwhile-maybe that was the whole problem

altar Barton Smock

the baby is too light. its mother puts it on a scale that reminds her of a plate her empty childhood couldn't break. its mother invites neighbor boys to punch her in the stomach. some of the boys bail. some don't. the mother's nickname doubles as her real. the baby is not called bricks.

zero Barton Smock

when I couldn't get my head around the surrender of my body to the flotation device of an immaculate conception, I'd simply swallow a baby that had swallowed a pill. years go by and I am zero. the number arrested for suicide.

basics Barton Smock

because he is asleep, he does not find himself sleeping in the tub. something slides from his belly and becomes wedged. his dream business goes under even in dream. he makes eyes at CPR manikins. his son, his life, pushes for legs.



"Kyng,"by Kristopher D. Taylor

re:(?!) one Kristopher D. Taylor

prescient truths of tomorrow,

-mad cap insights-

his bold overbearing swimming in an ocean of foreshadow.

the professional dead man's absurd theatrics have gone unnoticed,

leave his lies unturned, for who knows what lurks there? (centipedes/worms)

for who knows what socks really go with that tie?

what blind truths consume you now, and in how many bites?

re:(?!) two Kristopher D. Taylor

always remember our regressive nature,

as I recollect we falsified a few memories.

I promised you a story of [GRANDEUR] -something about an innocent peck on the lips, a barracuda, a hurricane, and a fireman in the ocean.

[the beautiful things said through a payphone]

re:(?!) three Kristopher D. Taylor

all of the stars are drunkalcohol:

paranormal/ pretty penny

recreating a lukewarm fantasy, "sometimes you can find youth in the playfulness of a dream-"

to find love in a beautiful daydream

Contributors' Bios (Poets)

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Josh Hart is a descendant of dead photographers, failed writers, and pitchy chanteuses. He works very hard.

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Contributors' Bios (Artists)

Joanna Collins is 17 years old and living in the UK. Currently studying BTEC Level 3 in Art and Design exploring the use of tone and line amongst other things, Joanna has always found it crucial to stay awake and not forget things. Unconsciousness (?) or simply, a dream state. Joanna wants to know - is she alive? (She thinks so)

Enrico Gaveglia was born in 1975 in Tuscany, Italy, he developed kikontheroad some time back as he travels around the world. Direct life experiences often in countries plagued by latent conflict have allowed him to walk through places of great charm and put him often in contact with extraordinary people. Every now and then he collects accidental shots in testimony of his passages through visited nations. It is only much later than he feels then need to internalise those experiences in intimate moments of reflection stolen from his daily routine as digital products of his work comes to life in a reproduced altered reality.

Franky Kramer is a late twenties duder who's been writing poetry since he was thirteen and had his first kiss. Photography came later. Now he travels around bartending and studying herbal medicine while he writes and photos.

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