



# Isabelle Schad

Close by, So far –  
Landscapes of Infinity

Notes  
of the  
Artist

Close your eyes to see what you see  
Then bring forth what you have seen so it reflects on others  
From the outside to the inside

Time  
Can you stop time?  
Can you do it now?  
For me?

a waterfall  
an ocean  
a lake  
a spring  
sand running like water

Maybe you are me  
But if you are me  
who am I?

**Close by, so far**  
You will forget all this  
You will remember it whenever you want

Show me the way  
This is the way  
I know you are tired, but this is the way

It's an ambiguous space  
It's vast  
It's a landscape  
of non-binary beings  
of non-binary movements  
of a non-binary spirit

It's the spirit of the unborn  
Landscapes of infinity

Close by, so far  
Surrender to what surrounds you

To become who you are  
To become – a landscape  
**A landscape of infinity**

Insist on your sensitivities  
Insist on your sensibilities

I know you are tired, but this is the way  
Change happens quickly  
But healing takes time

We need to be interconnected  
We are in No-where's Land  
Nimmerland  
A place that doesn't exist  
Landscapes of infinity

Close by, so far  
Here you are  
Here you are – with what you experience  
Has it changed you?  
Has it changed who you are?

Is healing a place of resistance?  
Is love a place of resistance?

Learning lessons never ends  
'There' is no better than 'here'  
Others are merely mirrors of you

Your answers lie inside you  
Inside your mirror  
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You can remember it whenever you want  
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Looking ahead one sees  
the ice-river broaden, rising and curving  
slowly, dwarfing  
the dark ridges  
of earth, meeting  
the ice-wall far above under veils  
of cloud  
and smoke and snow.

▪ Ursula Le Guin,  
**The Left Hand of Darkness**

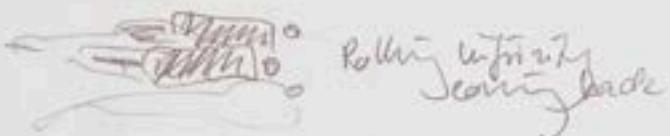
To see  
we must forget  
the name of the thing  
we are looking at.

▪ Claude Monet

Minutute 3)



Simple position  
diagonal  
with towels - arms  
diagonally



Rolling up firmly  
Scoring back

Positions wechsel

TRIO

2 dressed + 1 und

-inf., stretch  
becoming free  
(hands) open



Fr. Bacon  
+ treatment  
(Shrutan / Inhale treatments /  
giving weight Positions -  
wechsel)

⇒ Exchange roles



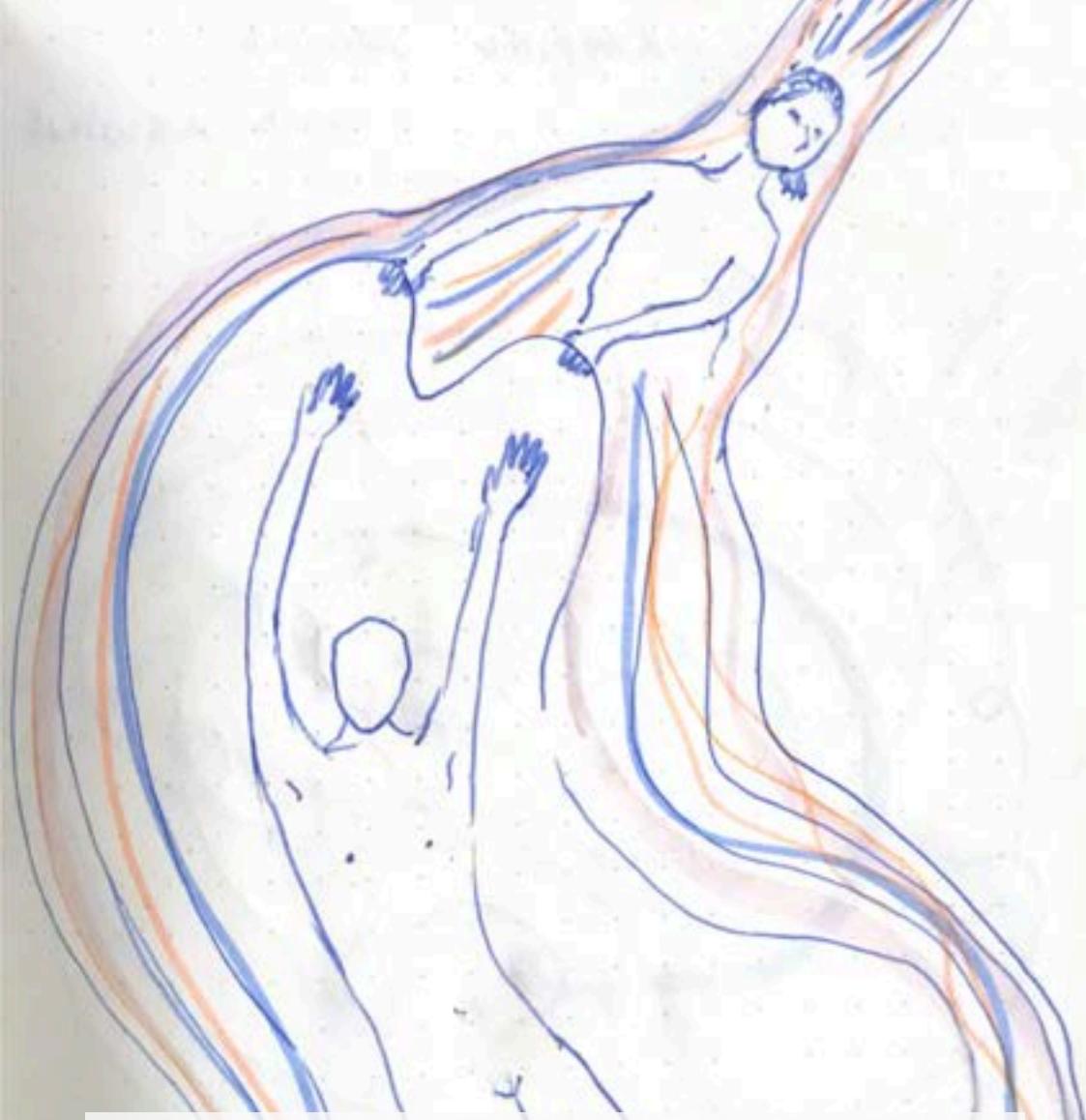
Spiegel

You'll forget all of this

You'll remember it whenever  
you want

All

bend  
A 3rd  
level



The sands never rested. Gently but surely they invaded and destroyed the surface of the earth. [...] What a difference compared with the dreary way human beings clung together year in year out. [...] The fundamental nature of sand is very difficult to grasp when you think of it in its stationary state. Sand not only flows, but this very flow is the sand.

▪ Kobo Abe, *The Woman in the Dunes*

It feels strange to hold a social space and present our artistic work without addressing the current cultural crisis – with drastic far-reaching financial cuts and right-wing movements in Germany, Europe the States and beyond – which is putting our ethical and democratic values in massive danger. Not to mention the fact that as the crisis becomes more acute, artists are now having to work under extremely tough conditions, without continuity or social and economic security. Many of us are facing burnout and unstable life situations. Our protests, letters and working groups are calling for immediate changes on the level of policy since a long time now, but nothing has happened.

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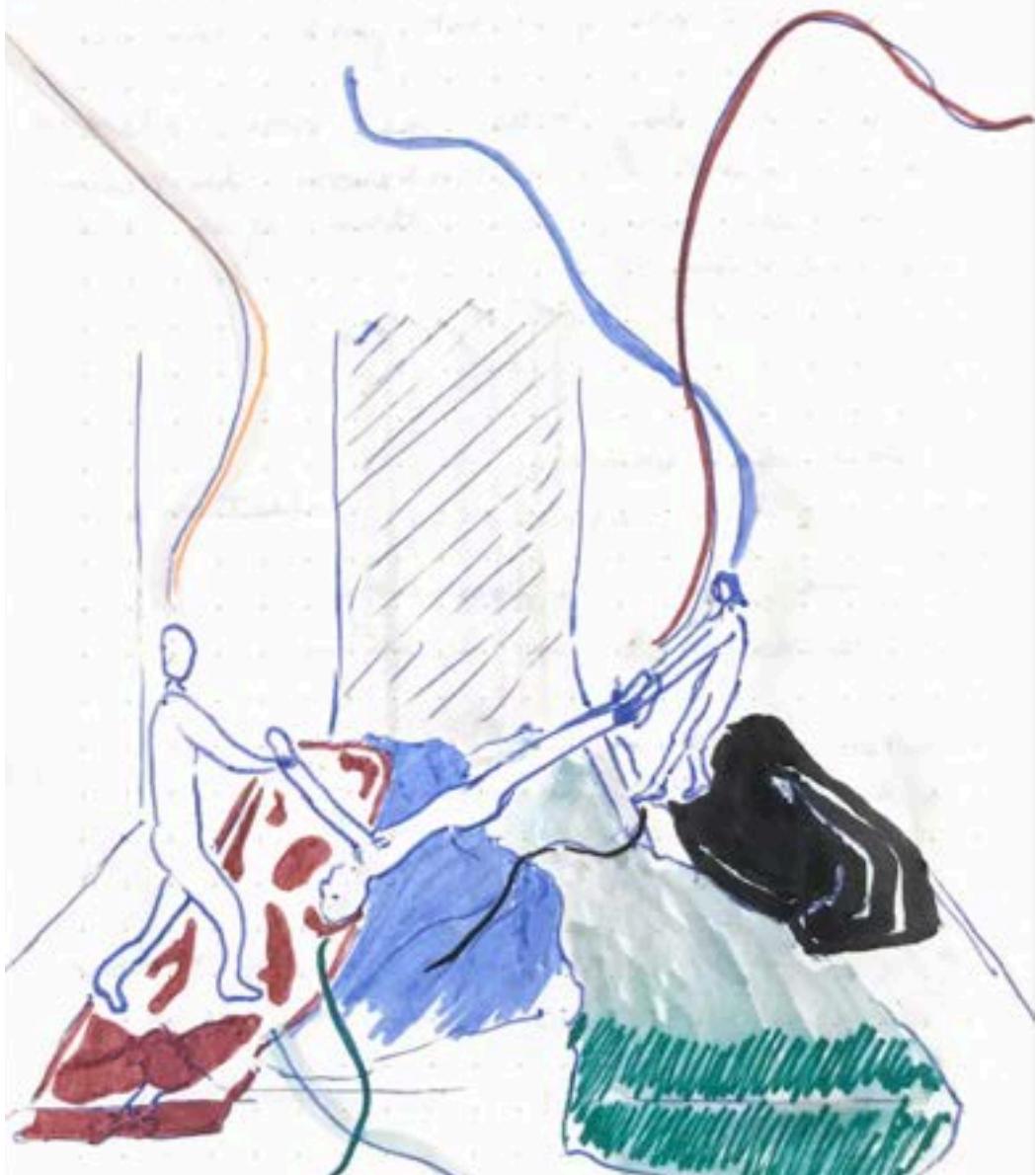
Our work urgently needs a recognition of its importance in affirming ethical, social and democratic values, respect to the self and others, kindness and ideas about things we need so much to understand and enrich our lives, like imagination, poetry, dance, music and the perception of life beyond rational thought. A recognition that we all belong together as one big web, including plants, animals and the environment, forming a larger energetic whole where all separation ends. We are facing a time of crises, but it is also a time where things happen and move extremely quickly. There may be a chance for good things too, as change happens quickly – but **healing takes time**.

le dialogue des pelvés

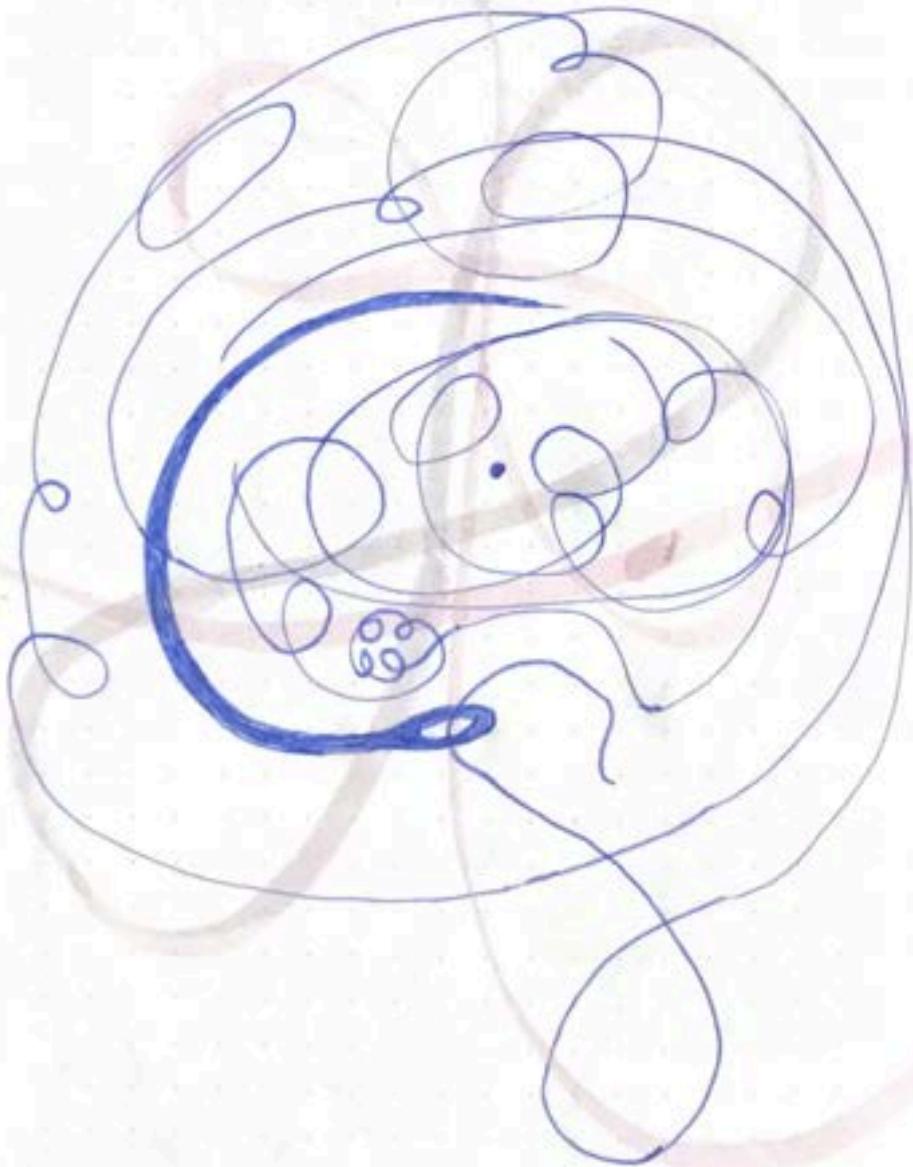
réflexion.

↳ drap blanc, c'est le prolongement  
l'aura. - FRAME no limit -

stretch de l'aura



WRAPPING AROUND  
AND REWIND



Es fühlt sich eigenartig an, einen Raum des Miteinanders zu halten und unsere künstlerische Arbeit zu präsentieren, ohne dabei die derzeitige kulturelle Krise zur Sprache zu bringen: drastische, weitreichende finanzielle Kürzungen und rechts-populistische Bewegungen in Deutschland, Europa, den USA und darüber hinaus, die unsere ethischen und demokratischen Werte massiv gefährden. Ganz zu schweigen davon, dass Künstler\*innen, je akuter die Krise wird, unter immer schwierigeren Bedingungen arbeiten müssen, ohne Kontinuität oder soziale und ökonomische Sicherheit. Viele von uns sind mit Burnout und instabilen Lebenssituationen konfrontiert. Unsere Proteste, Briefe und Arbeitsgruppen fordern schon seit langem sofortige Änderungen auf politischer Ebene, doch nichts hat sich getan.

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Unsere Arbeit braucht dringend Anerkennung in ihrer Bedeutung als ein Grundstein ethischer, sozialer und demokratischer Werte, für Respekt gegenüber sich selbst und anderen, für Freundlichkeit und Ideen zu den Dingen, die wir so dringend brauchen, um unser Leben zu verstehen und zu bereichern: Imagination, Poesie, Tanz, Musik und die Wahrnehmung des Lebens jenseits des rationalen Denkens. Es braucht die Erkenntnis, dass wir alle verbunden sind zu einem großen Netz, einschließlich aller Pflanzen, Tiere und der Umwelt, die ein größeres energetisches Ganzes bilden, in dem alle Trennung endet. Wir befinden uns in einer Zeit der Krisen, aber es ist auch eine Zeit, in der Dinge in einer enormen Geschwindigkeit geschehen und sich rasant verändern. Es besteht also Hoffnung auf eine Chance für Gutes, denn Veränderung kommt schnell – aber **Heilung braucht Zeit.**



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