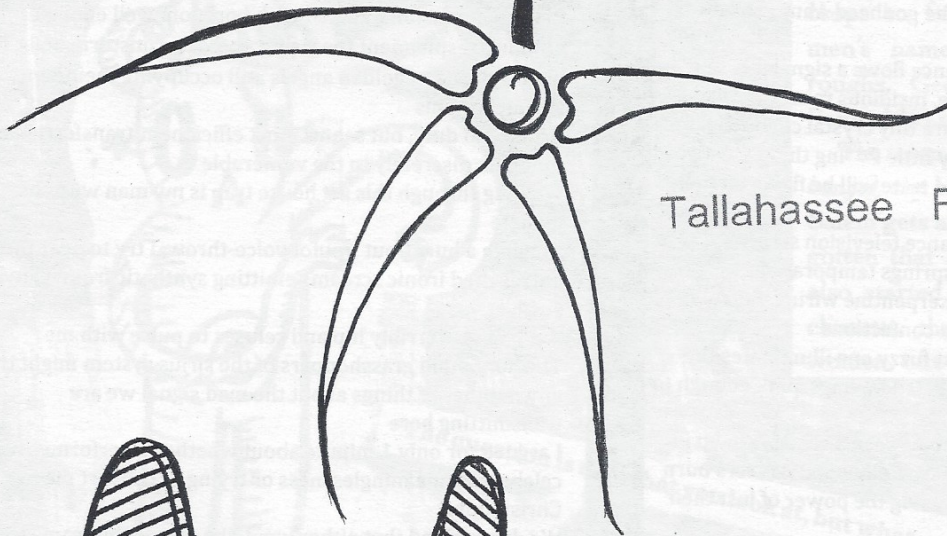



ART



Tallahassee February 2015



**ART  
OR  
MADNESS?**



### Notes From A Noise Music Festival

Within the genre of noise, nothing is remarkable  
Within the world of mobile banking, competition is subtle  
Among the shivering denizens, the godhead Ahura Mazda is  
the undisputed lord  
Along the stream of leaving essence flows a signal it is said  
Amid a climate of dawning peace, insidious rancor pervades  
Inside the fevered brain of god are tiny crystal chandeliers.  
During the liquidation sale every little f\*\*\*ing thing must go  
Within this meandering poem no taste will be flavorful for  
long  
Across a square mile of surveillance television screens  
monitoring this carnival, color springs temporal  
Into the bloodshot eye wander serpentine wiring, fiercely  
leading to the 10 by 12 plywood confections  
An x-ray taught against the most fuzzy one illuminates the  
Byzantine saxophone static collected in lungs, pink enough to  
breathe  
On the more prominent ones can be seen a clearing deep in  
edens long lost grey garden, where Bollywood dancers burn  
the tree of some forgotten idea using the power of just their  
frantic Hindu feet  
That hard-cut editing to scenes with different wardrobes,  
flashy and impossible, excessively foreign  
The signal, irretrievably distant, struggles to remain  
unearthed, at the peak of itself  
Like the leather clad players fighting over the same woman  
neither spot their own folly nor become it  
In a cringing posture, I and a friend desperately avoid each  
other's wandering eyes  
It is a testament to our age that similes so often describe how  
things are not  
And are frequently used ironically to show how an absence of  
likeness clouds the twinkling irises of naive amateur poets  
Exhausted by their sense of duty to make bleak outlooks  
more wordy and respectable  
Within a genuine creep's orange overcoat lurk smaller  
rapscallions purveying wears via long defunct mail-order  
catalogues  
Beyond the choking evening haze are concealed stars, long  
ago exploding  
Our instinctual response to a screaming schizophrenic is that  
she must be performance art, and so rub our chins until  
someone f\*\*\*ing helps her  
Her tinnitus and madness are mostly rational responses to  
the man who can't play drums spreading spider guts once  
again but with feeling on his crackling pearl snare head as the  
learned drag queen elders all clap with genuine enthusiasm

There is no single one to stand out distinct and supreme here,  
but rather a massive network of decrepit outposts  
Whose pathways are chainsawed lines in the dirt of  
unsuspecting country  
Undesigned locks, built nonetheless, allowing happily the flood  
Throughout this festival farce are the freshly chimerized  
ransom notes we all half-swore to sign demanding swift  
democratic justice for the cursed corporate press  
Within my mouth are premature objections, held in timidity,  
while my finger shakes against the trigger of the firearm  
placed against the bosom of my beloved outlets, not so bad  
really  
As our hostages we took the divvied up mind stuff of that boy  
hung next door in effigies  
And the glitter monk hoods singe straw roofed cottages,  
Pillaging legions pass over the corrupted ruins to cast out  
forever the sweat stained memories into a film cast with  
spineless b-rate protest actors on credit from home  
Playing confusion mingled with boredom well enough  
Chiming resplendent the rising roccoco rainstorm bells, rung  
by the ghosts of golden angels still occupying their own  
stormy dreams  
Art has no duty, but seems most efficient at transferring evil  
thoughts discretely to the vulnerable  
Walking through this art house trap is my man with the  
ukulele  
And like a burnt-out troufot voice-throw, I try to hear these  
entrenched ironic screams emitting synthetic from its nylon  
strings.  
But he is so terribly hip and refuses to pulse with me  
The humanoid grasshoppers of the sirius system might think  
any number of things about the mad signal we are  
transmitting here  
I argued for only 1 minute about whether a performer was  
celebrating meaninglessness or trying to convert me to  
Christianity  
We determined that either would be correct but came to that  
just entirely too fast, like it was simple and a dumb question  
The performer wore a contorted mask on which was written  
"renewal"  
Behind his vibrating face, some semblance of a practiced  
nuanced mock was too shy to emerge unscathed  
-DJ Deep Thought



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Old age was simply a dangerous time, when the old people sat on the sunny doorsteps, playing in the sun with the children, until they fell asleep. At last, they failed to wake up.

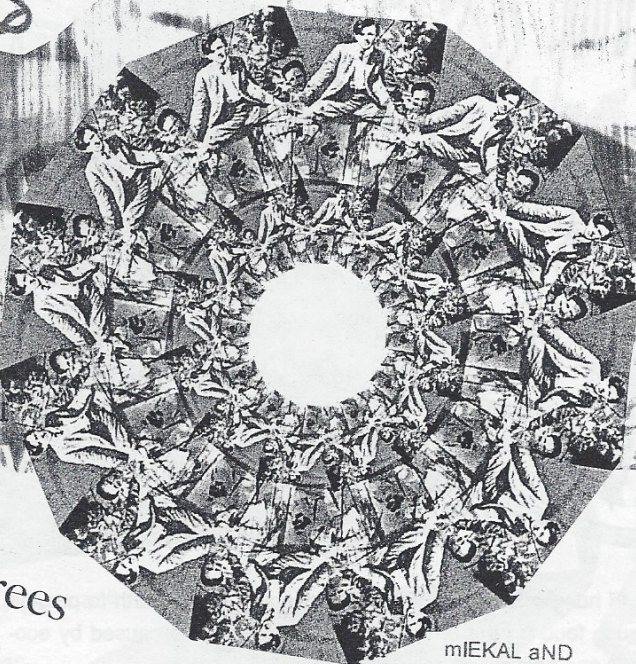
—James Paytiamo  
Acoma Pueblo

The witchcraft hysteria that plagued Salem in the summer of 1692 led to the execution of nineteen people. Contrary to popular belief, the witches were not all women.

Five of the nineteen Salem witches who died were men—condemned for the same pact-with-Satan crimes as the women: casting spells on their neighbors, causing crops to fail, kicking up storms. (The men's names were Rev. George Burroughs, George Jacobs, John Proctor, Samuel Wardwell, John Willard.)

The men, same as the women, were *hanged*, not burned at the stake. And while Salem gets all the publicity, it's mostly forgotten that a witchcraft prosecution was also started in nearby Andover, Massachusetts, that led to the deaths of three women, one man and . . . two dogs.

"The question is not what you look at, but what you see." HENRY DAVID THOREAU



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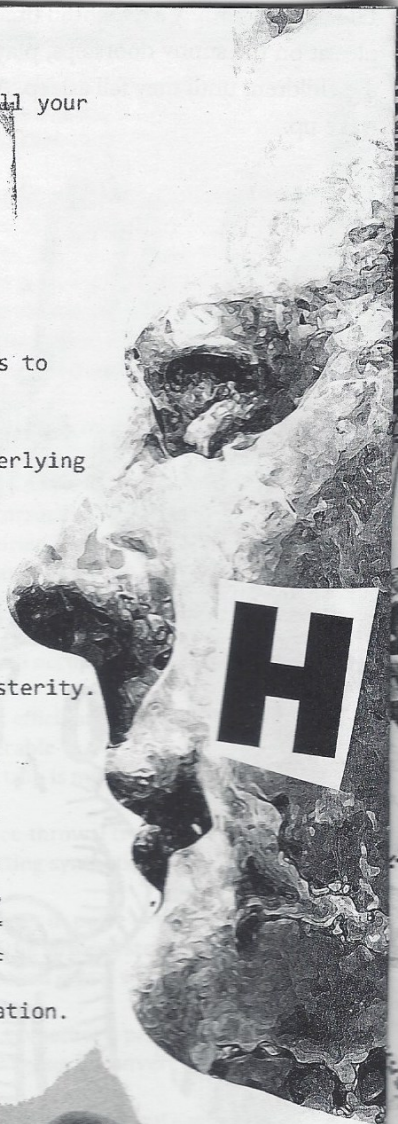
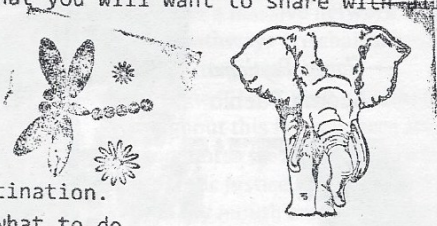
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The man who is a pessimist before 48 knows too much; if he is an optimist after it, he knows too little. Mark Twain

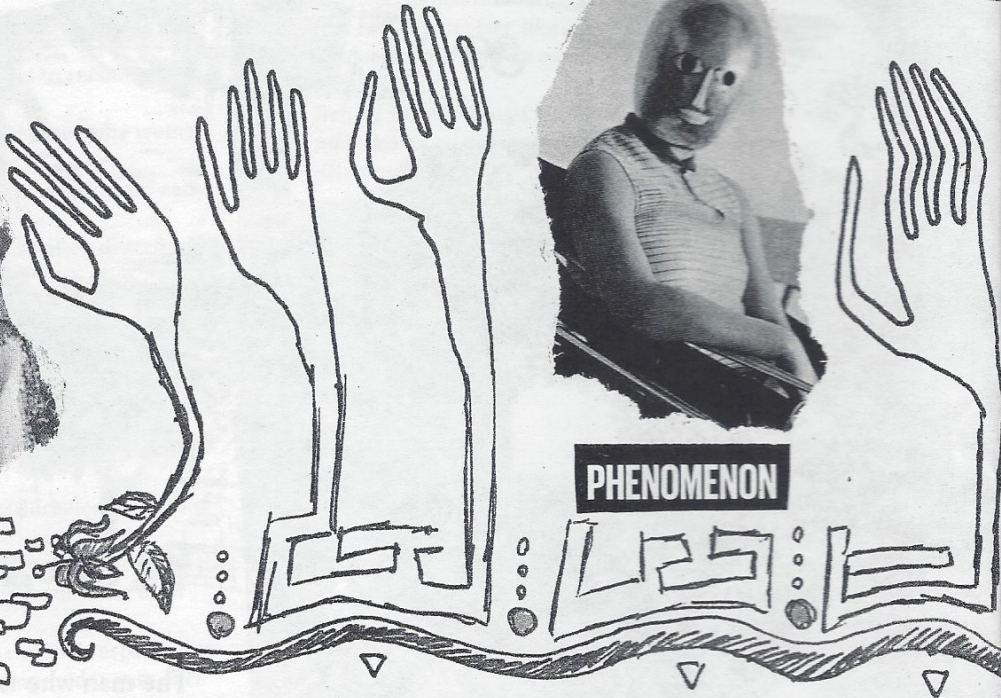
Coral Anderson

MANIFESTO OF THE MUTE

Instead of a constitution, a country founded on nursery rhymes.  
 Do not ignore the man in the brown paper wrapper.  
 This is a cute picture with a witty saying that you will want to share with all your friends.  
 That possibility has yet to be invented.  
 Sometimes I wish the moon was further away.  
 Gentle Reader, yeah right.  
 A virtual grabbag of useless consonants.  
 I turned the wrong way and arrived at my destination.  
 There are bodies but they haven't been told what to do.  
 I feel like a half-naked duck smoking a cigar in a sauna waiting for some eggs to hatch.  
 In the perfect universe, a perfect universe exists.  
 The anarchist squirrel-chaser greatly improved the psychogeography of the underlying habitat.  
 Don't be embarrassed by the tendency to confuse novelty with innovation.  
 Give me a machete and a book of poems and I'll give you a haiku!  
 The poems evaporate and perspire like an old fat surrealist.  
 Fire sale on antiquated beliefs. Everything must go.  
 There's a flower on the tip of your tongue.  
 Just signed a lifetime contract to be an occasional poet for no pay and no posterity.  
 This text is hampered by your attempts to understand it.  
 The populace is at odds and the wind is blowing hard.  
 Raucous indifference should not be confused with enthusiasm.  
 The angels of hypocrisy are dancing on the head of a pin.  
 Go ahead and try to make art out of that.  
 Apologies to the Author.  
 The new poetry is just around the corner.  
 If only memes would disappear as quickly as they appeared.  
 How was I supposed to know what NSFW meant?  
 Interrogating the interrogator liberates the assumptions framing the interrogation.  
 Poetry is just a poetry.  
 The source of all knowledge isn't.  
 Poetry has been blackmailing me for years and I can't take it anymore!



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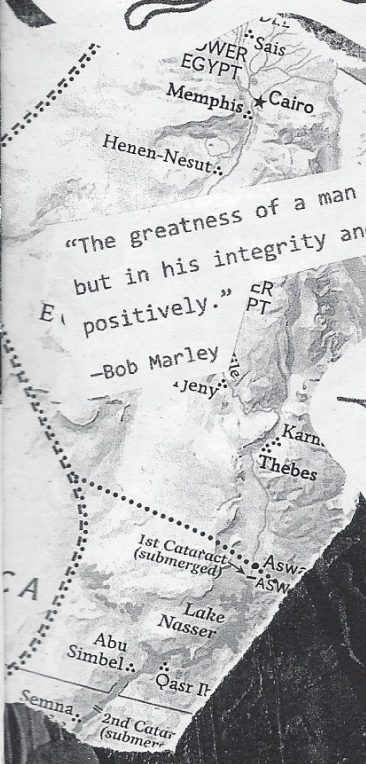
World hunger is not caused by the inability of the earth to provide enough food for the teeming billions. Instead, it is caused by economic and political power structures.

"A mind is like a parachute. It doesn't work if it is not open."  
- Frank Zappa

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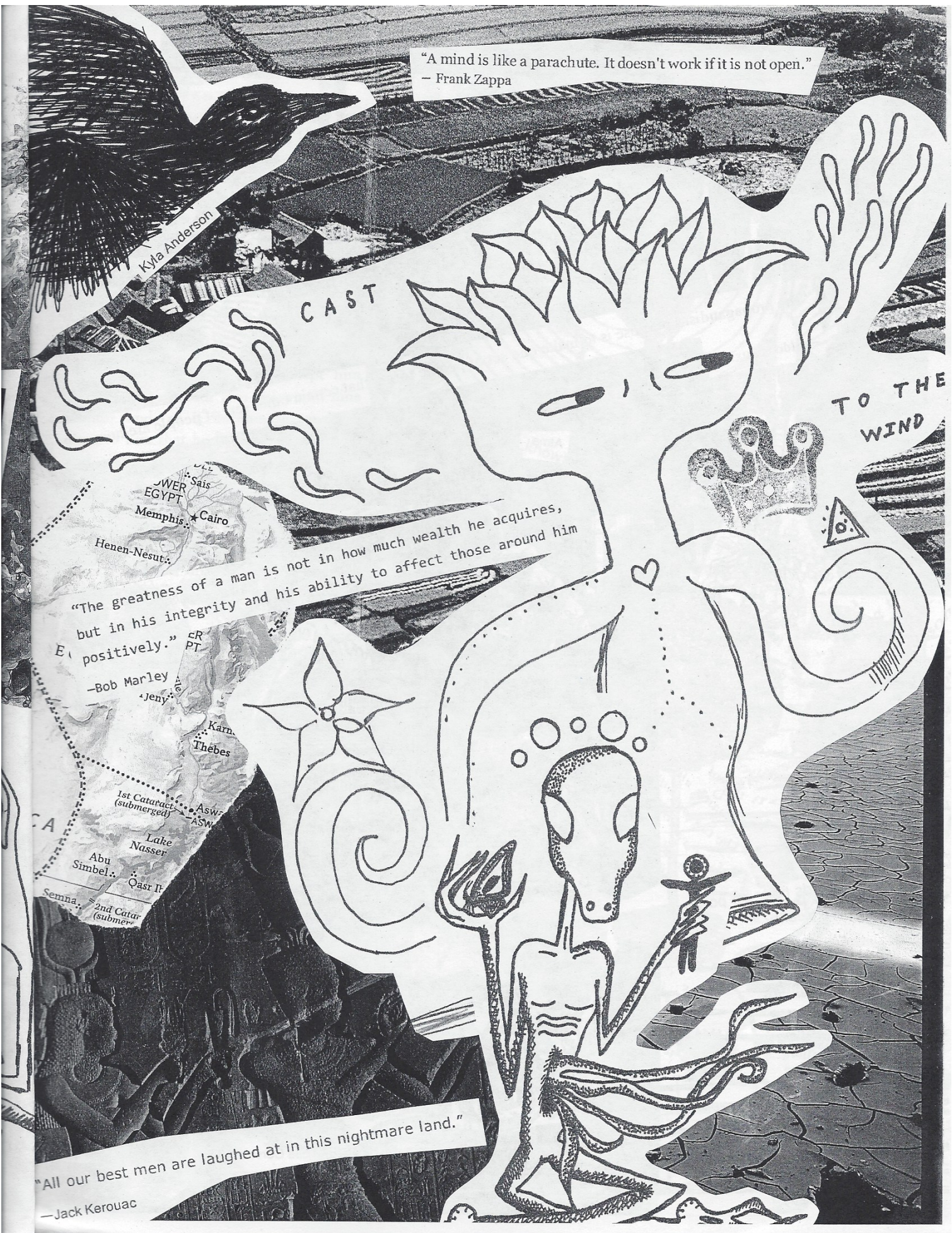
CAST

TO THE  
WIND



"The greatness of a man is not in how much wealth he acquires,  
but in his integrity and his ability to affect those around him  
positively."  
- Bob Marley

"All our best men are laughed at in this nightmare land."  
- Jack Kerouac



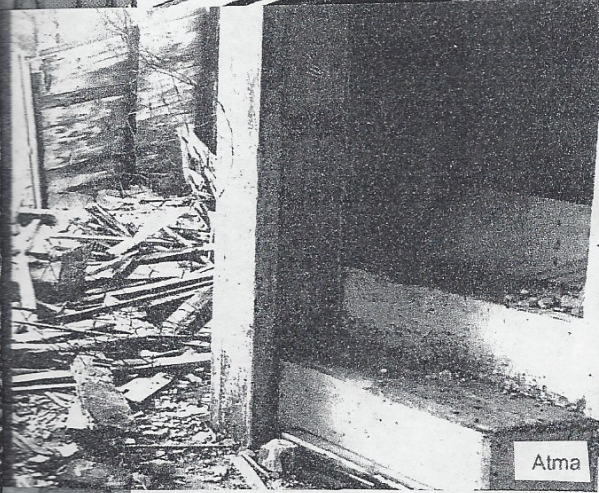


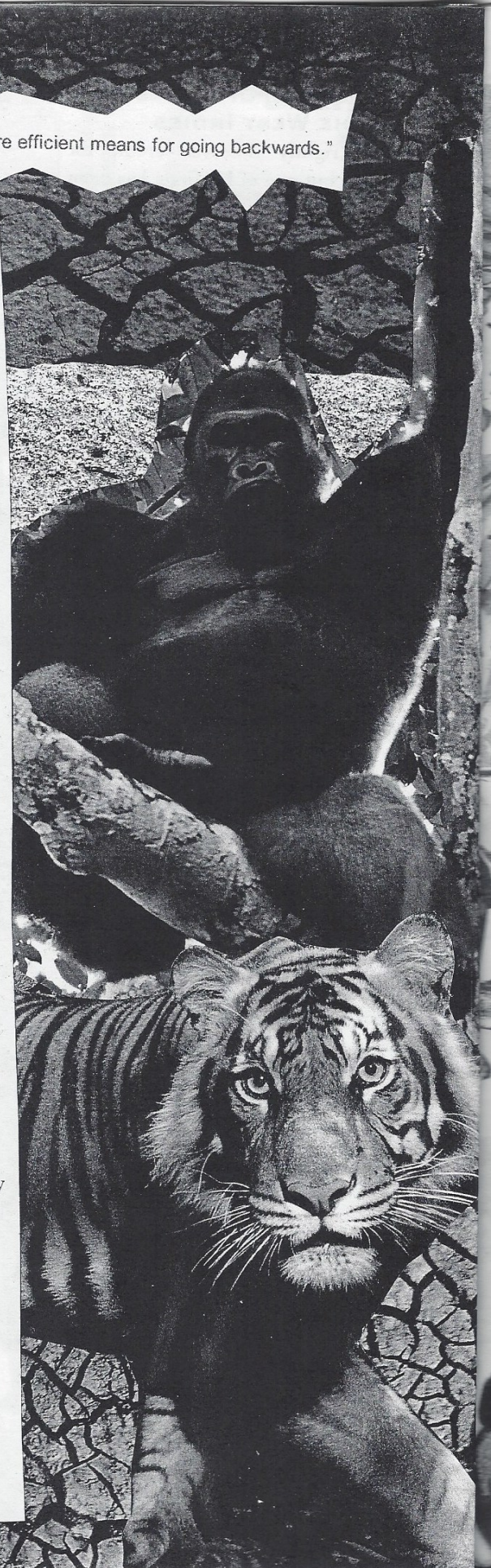
## COLUMBUS ENSLAVES, THEN DEPOPULATES THE WEST INDIES

Columbus rightly deserves credit for many firsts, but one of his firsts has been routinely overlooked in American textbooks.

Christopher Columbus was the *first* slave trader in the New World. He returned from his first voyage with ten live Indians he had kidnapped, and these were paraded along with parrots through the streets and roads of Spain during his triumphant procession to Ferdinand and Isabella in Barcelona.

Columbus's second voyage kept him away from Spain for two years and nine months and, as it became increasingly clear to him that he had yet to find gold and pearls in abundance, the Admiral started to dream of a brisk traffic in Indian slaves, according to *The Conquest of America* by Tzvetan Todorov. Columbus wrote to Ferdinand and Isabella in 1496: "We can send from here, in the name of the Holy Trinity, all the slaves and brazil-wood which could be sold. If the information I have is correct, we can sell 4,000 slaves, who will be worth, at least, 20 millions, and 4,000 hundred-weight of brazil-wood, which will be worth just as much... I went recently to the Cape Verde Islands where the people have a large slave trade, and they are constantly sending ships to barter for slaves, and ships are always in the harbor... Although they die now, they will not always die. The Negroes and the Canary Islanders died at first, and the Indians are even better than the Negroes."





"Technological progress has merely provided us with more efficient means for going backwards."  
—Aldous Huxley

## The Evolution of Extinction

by Coral Anderson

Humanity is responsible for speeding up and increasing the natural rate of extinction for plant and animal species by up to 1,000 times. Because of this, scientists believe that today we may be on the verge of another mass extinction, of which would be the sixth that our planet has seen. However, most people are unaware that this is happening.

Species such as the South China Tiger, Sumatran Rhino, African Lion, Mountain Gorilla, Puerto Rican Crested Toad, and many others are depleting, and are at great risk of going extinct entirely. In addition to those, the Black-footed Ferret, Vaquita, Yangtze Finless Porpoise, Hawksbill Turtle, Sri Lankan Elephant, Blue-spotted salamander, Galápagos Penguin, and the Amur Leopard are all also now endangered. "We have killed about 50 percent of the world's vertebrate wildlife in just the past 40 years," says Anthony Barnosky, a biologist at the University of California, Berkeley. "We've killed half the numbers of individuals...fished 90 percent of the fish out of the seas. So these are big things we're doing to the world."

Species are vanishing around 10 times faster than is widely believed in the scientific community, while in pre-human era extinction rates were slower than previously thought, researchers from Duke University said. Examining recent data, the researchers concluded that the pre-human extinction rate was actually 0.1 per year per 1 million, rather than 1 per 1 million, as a previously suggested by a 1995 study.

Today, the rate of extinction is at 100 extinctions per year per million species, which is at least 1,000 times greater than the 0.1 figure, but could rise to 1,000 per 1 million.

Although a combination of numerous factors is responsible for the increase in disappearance of species, the biggest issue is habitat loss caused by humans. As more places are built—more malls and suburbs— and changed by humans, species are finding fewer places to live. Other significant issues are climate change affecting where species can survive, invasive species introduced by humans which in turn crowd out the native species, and overfishing. For example, the oceanic white-tip shark was once one of the most abundant predators on the planet, but due to copious hunting by humans, they are now rarely seen.

"We are on the verge of the sixth extinction," biologist Stuart Pimm says. "Whether we avoid it or not will depend on our actions."



# DEATH

BY PIZZA

## Disappearing Food

"Monocultures and monopolies are destroying the rich harvest of seed given to us over millennia by nature and farming cultures...."

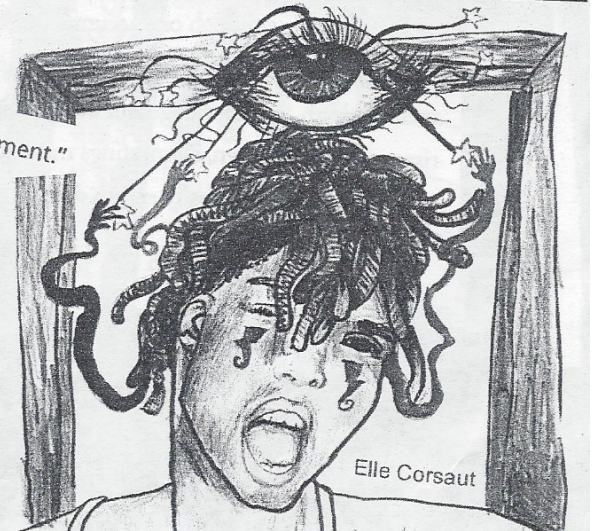
"Traditionally, 10,000 wheat varieties were grown in China. These had been reduced to only 1,000 by the 1970s. Only 20 percent of Mexico's maize diversity survives today. At one time, over 7,000 varieties of apples were grown in the United States. More than 6,000 are now extinct. In the Philippines, where small peasants used to cultivate thousands of traditional rice varieties, just two Green Revolution varieties occupied 98 percent of the entire rice-growing area by the 1980s."<sup>3</sup>

"Adjective"

words cannot describe how useful  
words are for describing things  
I have no words to describe the beauty of an unopened thesaurus.  
words cannot describe how few descriptive words people know.  
For beauty alone in life is like a beautiful river that cannot be described by words alone.  
And the status of their being can only be described as news of a day so magical it can never be  
described.

-Anastasia Ellis

"There is no such thing as paranoia. Your worst fears can come true at any moment."  
-Hunter S. Thompson



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sue le toutes les couleurs





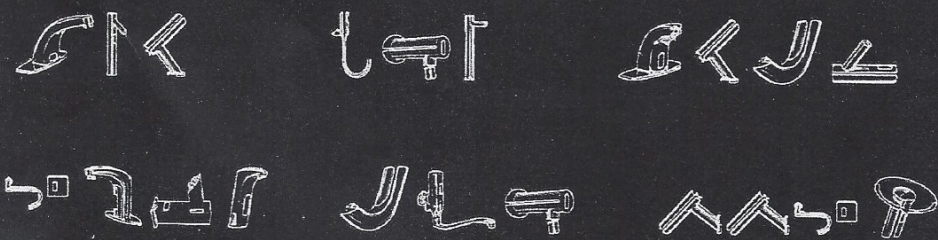
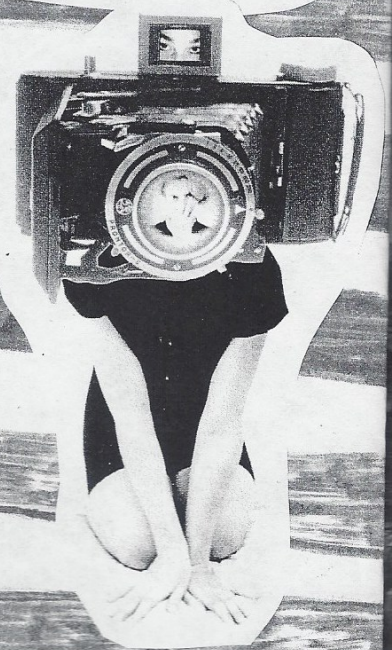
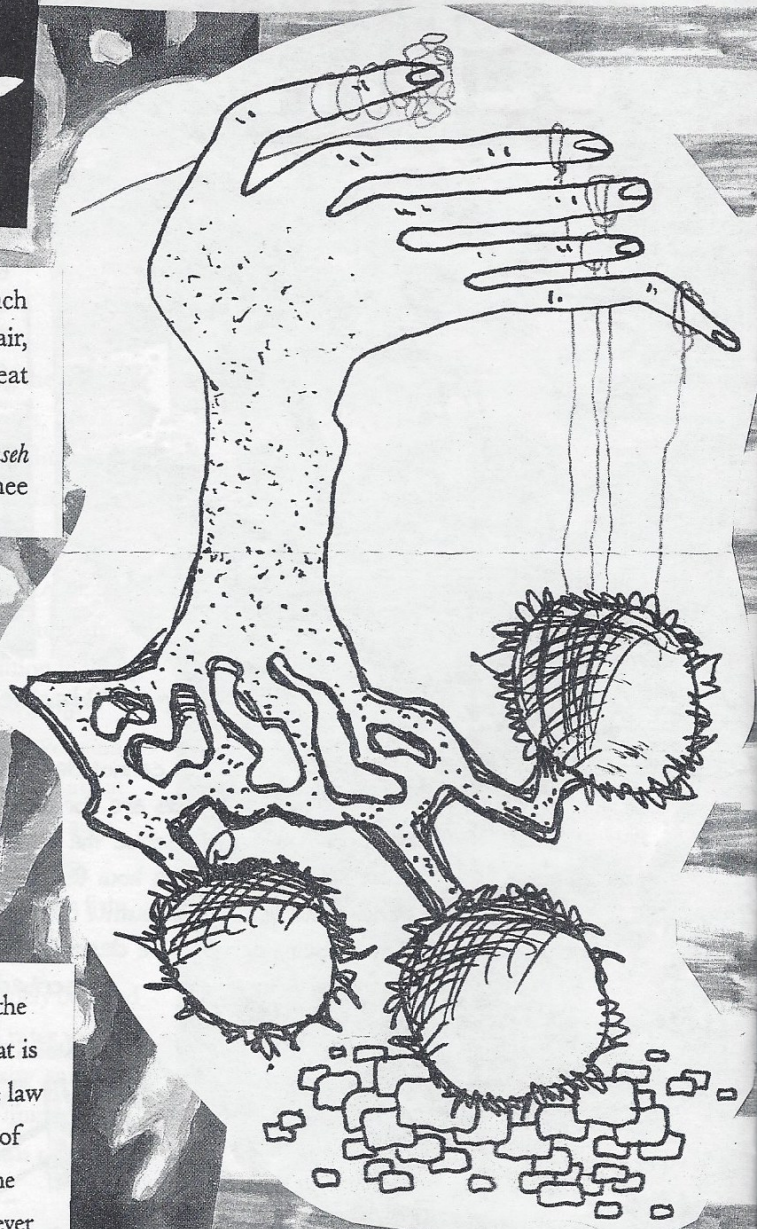
No tribe has the right to sell, even to each other, much less to strangers. . . . Sell a country! Why not sell the air, the great sea, as well as the earth? Didn't the Great Spirit make them all for the use of his children?

— Tecumseh  
Shawnee



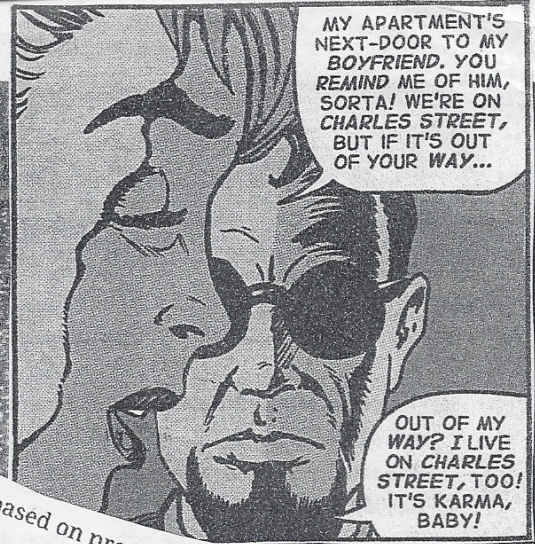
"These children and riches are mine"; thinking thus the fool is troubled. Since no one even owns himself, what is the sense in "my children and riches"? Verily, it is the law of humanity that though one accumulates hundreds of thousands of worldly goods, one still succumbs to the spell of death. All hoardings will be dispersed, whatever rises will be cast down, all meetings must end in separation, life must finally end in death.

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When scientists talk about whales singing songs, they're not talking about mere noise. They're talking about intricate, stylized compositions—some longer than symphonic movements—performed in medleys that can last up to 22 hours. The songs of humpback whales can change dramatically from year to year, yet each whale in an oceanwide population always sings the same song as the others. How, with the form changing so fast, does everyone keep the verses straight? Biologists Linda Guinee and Katharine Payne have been looking into the matter, and they have come up with an intriguing possibility. It seems that humpbacks, like humans, use rhyme.



"The society based on production is only productive, not creative."  
—Albert Camus



Atma

One who acts on truth is happy in this world and beyond.  
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### The Most...

- The country that spends the most money during Christmas is Ireland, which spends an average of 966 euros (1116.79 usd) per household.
- The country that has the highest rate of car accidents is Namibia, with 45 people killed on the road out of every 100,000 citizens.
- The countries that have the highest cancer death rates are Armenia, which has the highest cancer mortality rate in males (210 per 100,000), and Zimbabwe, which has the highest rate in females (146 per 100,000).
- The country that has the highest rate of heart disease death is Russia, while the one with the lowest rate is France.
- The country that has the most serial killers overall is the United States, however, per capita England has the most.
- The country that watches the most television is America, with households straining their eyes at the box for an average of 8 hours and 11 minutes every day.
- The country that has the highest rate of plastic surgery per capita is South Korea. Though the U.S. ranked first in total number of cosmetic-procedures performed, the country actually ranked fourth in procedures per capita.
- The country that consumes the most meat is the European nation Luxembourg, which consumes 136.5 kg of meat per person a year, or roughly 300 pounds. The U.S consumes 270.7 pounds per person a year.
- The country that devours the most chocolate is Switzerland, devouring 22.36 pounds per year.
- The country that eats the most cheese, perhaps unsurprisingly, is France. The average Frenchman eats around 25.9 kilograms of cheese per year.
- The country that consumes the most beer per capita is the Czech Republic, at 148.6 liters (39.26 gallons) per year per capita. The United States consumes 77.1 liters (20.37 gallons) per year per capita.
- The country that consumes the most sugar is Brazil, eating on average around 152g of sugar per day, which is six times more than recommended. In the United States, on average americans consume about 130 pounds of sugar per year.
- The country that eats the most pizza, though we did not invent it, is in fact America. Americans consume more pizza than any other country, approximately 100 acres of pizza each day, or 350 slices per second. Added to that, pizza is a \$30 billion per year industry. There are around 61,269 pizzerias in the United States.

UNNATURAL

Please recycle by sharing with a friend!

Coral Anderson

