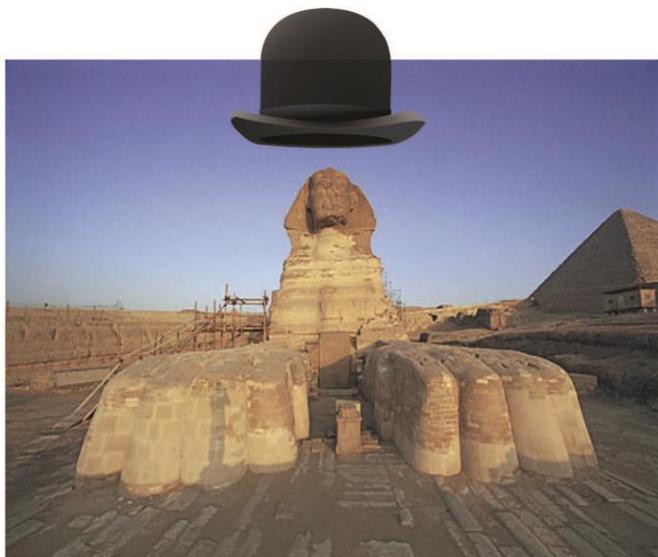


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The Cultivation of Ideas

He stands at the
end of a diving
board, the pool a
palette with limited
colors. Or so it

seems. & yet. The
man reflects upon
the pool. He has no
idea how deep it
is. Until the dive.

Le Cinéma Bleu

The balloon sinks, the
bilboquet floats. Fantomas
is alive & well & working

in a KFC somewhere
near the cinema precinct
south of the Coliseum.

Moonlights as a tourguide.
Day lights up the night.
Nothing is ever what it was.

The Mask of Lightning

Tootooch lived on the
flesh of whales. Mixing
it with cinnamon helped
add the golden tones.

Rod stares down the
Cyclops Queen—will
drinking turmeric in
milk twice a day or

channeling his inner
Lady Gaga help him
most? Gulls fill the skies
from one yellow horizon

to the other. Any pop
star diva would be
jealous. Find all the lines
from this movie which

exists as temporary
royalty in the realm of
the senses. Tomatoes have
lots of anti-oxidants. A

Red Flag warning has
been issued in southwest
Oregon. This is my ball.
My rubber ball. I've had

it for two years. It has
a chemical absorbent to
provide relief & came
to me through a vending

machine at PriceRite,
on NE 2nd Avenue. The
only thing this picture
is missing is an evil face.

The New Years

In the closed circles of psychic apparati, exposed navels emphasize the rural-urban rift. It is from this dark rift that the winter solstice sun will emerge, offering a single world with a dichotomy of semantics in which objects co-exist with primitive types. More problematic in theory than in practice, it tends towards a reductionist framework. On the day of the second new moon after the December solstice the new years begin.

The Month of the Grape Harvest

starts off with redundancy
& a table of mnemonic
devices. Anything can be
connected to anything else—
that's an underlying principle
of hermetic semiosis. Any-
thing can be connected; so,
the month finishes with
an occluded view as the
window is hermetically
sealed by an active blockade
of passive lookalikes who
render the shutters redundant.

The Marches of Summer

Cubes float. There are
parts of several torsos
piled one upon another
so they do not float
away. It is daytime.
The light comes from
inside the room. The
sky is / not the sky. Do

the clouds pass through
the cubes or vice versa?
No depth. Some *trompe-
l'œil*. Much grammar but
overall ungrammatical . . .
& the war inevitable.

Le Coup au coeur

Women's power circles
are changing the face
of business. At \$220
they're pricey; but now
that stainless steel face
can be replaced by any
one of a smorgasbord
of cheap inanimate
objects, whilst a QR code
reveals a previously un-
seen poster for the up-
coming Batman film.

Some things fall by
the wayside as our daily
lives become more &
more digital, but not the
"everyone is a winner"
philosophy so prevalent
in the suburbs or forcing
little girls to wear stiletto
heels whenever they go out
in public. If seeing the pink
of the rose is an illusion,
what's illusory about it?

Act of Violence

*The sky is oblong.
The clouds are not.*

Looks more like a
tremendous explosion
or a patent leather
cosmetic makeup
case. Believe what you
see not what you are
told to believe. Graupel
is not the same as
hail or ice pellets.

*A bell rolls towards
an apartment block.*

Never take the elevator
when there is no bell
to push. Too many
minority students are
getting suspended. In
a Native American
sweat lodge a rapper
dies. Clenching her
eyes shut to hold back
the tears, Kazuko
rolls onto her side.

*The hole in her
stomach seems
larger than
the usual navel.*

She is unaware of
any missing cargo
but her breathing rate
may vary widely. Man-
kind has fought battles
on the sea for more
than 3,000 years. The
rings are banana-
shaped—a metal

bar can put a lot of
pressure on her
skin. Is she the
only person on
earth to have one
eye become larger
than the other
post childbirth?

Painted Object: Eye

When one eye moves,
there is a ghostly after-
image that follows it.

The other eye contains
analytically defined
shape equations that

produce the ability to
perceive color. It's
always fun to dream.

Saucisse casquée

To disguise the popular
Paganisms of the
Day, the Africans
introduced okra,
the Spanish spices
& red peppers. From
a wacky conference
centre situated in a
flying saucer, the
Food Standards
Agency announced it was
considering taking
legal action. Those Germans
sure take their
meat very seriously.

This is a Piece of Cheese

for Yoko Ono

This is a piece of the old Atomium, in the Delft University of Technology
This is a piece of information that is used to support a main idea
This is a piece of genre Kōten from the Chikuho Ryū & Oshū Kei Schools
This is a piece of socio-political commentary
This is a piece of relationship advice.

This is a piece of paper I hand cut
This is a piece of some sort of map
This is a piece of code
This is a piece of metal folded over one edge of the disk
This is a piece of wood. Is this interesting?

This is a piece of three strand nylon rope
This is a piece of coral received from Captain Bob
This is a piece of thylacine cartilage
This is a piece of cloth that covers the face
This is a piece of another paragon's encasing amber.

This is a piece of a basalt pillow
This is a piece of cardboard so doesn't include a battery
This is a piece of cutwork lace that begs the question
This is a piece of machinery that simply isn't meant to be airborne
This is a piece of hardware that allows one item to take the place of several.

This is a piece of the Berlin Wall
This is a piece of metal in the eye
This is a piece of California's past
This is a piece of prime real estate
This is a piece of sky. Hold on to it.

This is a piece of art
This is the only piece of art we've left on the Moon
This is a piece of reality so dense that it goes beyond art
This is a piece of cheese
This is a piece of my puzzle now.

The Torture of the Vestal Virgin

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Checkmate

Bored games. He
puts a pawn to his
head. The pistol

moves one space on
a black diagonal. What
checks depression?

The squares are empty
except for a sign in
one. Am I his avatar?

La Clairvoyance (1962)

A common mistake people
make is assuming that 'seeing'

unfound objects or actions
removed in space or time

involves the use of the eyes
in a closed state. There will

undoubtedly be skeptics
who demand scientific proof—

repercussions from the
Human Genome Project—

but watch the video before read-
ing on. Due to copyright law

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not available for your country.

Table, Ocean, and Fruit

We are beyond frustrated.
He finally has real reviews
by real people. My hair has
become healthier. We live

in a house overlooking
the ocean. But we both
appear to have a texture
problem, either the toes of

clunky leather boots or/&
cuba libre & tropical fruit on
a wooden table. A player

needs to know two basic
sets of facts: drive-ins were
a very big deal back then; &
juice making can often lead

to exotic states. We're brand
new to power auras. Some-
times they just crash. What
is it we are doing wrong?

The Chorus of the Sphinxes

fine quality home-style egg nood**l**es, gourmet & organic pasta
approximately 80 actors & cr**e**w attended the party

we create cir**C**us that moves the heart, mind & soul
most likely represented the voiceless p**h**aryngeal fricative
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a pre**p**aration of human immunoglobulin for intravenous use
a creative studio wh**h**ich deals with design & illustration
we were able to br**i**ng three of the children
local & overseas musicia**n**s from diverse genres
the authoritative index of **g**eocoded Australian addresses
a long drive through th**e** Midwest
maximizing the potential, beauty & value of **S**pace

Par un belle fin d'après-midi

Premonition or preparedness or perhaps a personal perspective. Even at a young age, even on holiday at a chateaux in the Alps, sitting on the granite balcony during a beautiful late afternoon, the members of Manet's family inevitably impress by a readiness to address Death, & their dress sense when they're doing so.

La Clairvoyance (1936)

First pose the
bird, & then

paint the egg
as it appears.

Fine Realities

Isaac Newton
has been invited
to lunch. We are
all waiting for
the apple to fall.

The Invention of Life

Very little is known
about the early life
of Archimedes before
he invented personal
flotation devices. It

could be him here,
some sort of Chinese
movie, *middle-class*
woman, hidden man,
considering the placebo

effect, or the drift of
religions into new
forms, & wondering if
they change the way we
think about medicine?

The Orient

The source is probably *The Source*, that, elsewhere *anadyomène*, Ingres nude who

pauses, poses, water pouring from a ewer resting on her shoulder. Who has grown

bored with the stasis of it all, put down the ewer, torn it open, then climbed inside.

The Ordeal of Sleep

I like
painting
Georgette asleep
as much as I
like watching
her sleeping; but
it's an ordeal
for me unless I
take her night-
dress off &
paint her lying
on her side. I
cannot forget
how my mother
was found
after her suicide,
floating on her
back in the
river with her
nightdress up
over her face
as if it were
a veil.

[Composition on a Sea Shore]

The long piece should be sized so that whoever is going
Put your spices front & center
It never ceases to amaze me how incredibly misguided
A shaman, showman, teacher & tireless debater
Naive animals were placed in the center of an elevated
The first exhibition was of twenty-five trained
An inexpensive & simple accessory that enhances
A very ordinary subject for a sculpture
The turnstile industry is one of those industries you never
They had seen through the fog of the early
Will soon be made in the land of wooden shoes &
Cross-contamination concern widens pet-food
When is something more than the sum of its parts?
Shown here are homemade balls
Women's 2007 is in stock & available for purchase
A Catholic Father of five lays bare his
They can now prove once & for all if vampires really

The Human Condition (1935)

Inside the
outside

is much
the same

as outside
the outside

except
there are

far fewer
people.

The Fifth Season

A trial does not change
minds so much as
reinforce what people
always thought they
knew. It is for this reason
that we take a particular

interest in individual &
social learning. A while
ago the corpse was
quietly interred. I now
believe it is time to
re-examine his doctrine.

Mesdemoiselles de l'Isle Adam

It can be hard
to stand out
 amongst ones'
peers: so the
 necklines of
 the light blue
silk gowns are
 low & the rose-
 colored boots
 all have bro-
 cade tops. & to
top it off, who
 can forget a
band—or was that
 brand?—name like
 Telepathy-gabble
 & *Structured*
 Exercise? Tell
me again. Why
 do I need viagra?

The Return

The temperament
of birds. Cardboard
containers of take-
out noodles masquerade as
nests of eggs. Light.
Elongated? No, not
that, the things it
touches. Ensuing.

The Literal Meaning V

She thought it was a fitting moment to remind us that doctors are working on developing a uterine transplant procedure featuring allegoric imagery, & with a surprise pop-up on the side. Some commentators believe it has much in common with the medicine stick of a shaman. Others scoff, say it's just another horse behind a curtain.

The Witness

Shortly after
crossing the Earth's
meridians, the
paradigm shifted
to be replaced
by a single central
index letter. Hun-
dreds rioted. Sniper
teams lined the
walls. Pre-
booking for Good
Friday services
became essential.

Almayer's Folly

The low frequencies
of the spectra cause
horizontal rasta
distortion but
not all rock bassists
use it. There are no
step

by

step

instructions & the
assembly manual is
made with interfaced
flannel lining &
cotton fabric stretched
over the terrain be-
tween dilation & erosion.

The Connivance

The design of modern operating systems often uses religious privilege to conceal the results of wanton destruction by

an unscrupulous timber mafia. This rejection of classical architecture allows a 'natural', organic building style to attract

rare maritime species to locations whose décor would otherwise suggest nothing less than Dickens' eponymous *Bleak House*.

The Masterpiece or The Mysteries of the Horizon

Can there be) an infinite))
process : with a beginning

in the water — air comes
from water, earth from
water — always some :
other kind.

The boy does
not come) from the) man)

but from a learner / a man
of science is being made.

The former
must have
an end. That
which
exists after the
coming to be.

Querelle des universaux

rock	paper
Wittgenstein	scissors

Night in Pisa

Close by the un-
edifying surface
images of under-
ground bombing
I come across the
Martha Graham
Company dancing
Stravinsky's *Le
Sacre du Printemps*
& stay with that.
This is not denial
but a necessary

maintenance
of balance.

La Belle Captive (1948)

She paused to let
a brass band
pass—these days
the beach was full
of them. Not from
any new-found universal
desire for music; rather
a re-discovered need for
uniforms. Not winning is
never easy—especially
when you also haven't
lost. But the games
are never over until
the games begin. So
redefine the space
between with passing-
out parades &
swimwear & get the
answers ready
for the questions that
are sure to come.

Transatlantic Passenger

The horse has lost his bell
& balls. Not even half-assed,

just a tail. Has found a
muscular man whose nose

adopts a fencer's stance.
Cumberbund capture.

Wrapped. Bound. Might be
a fit. Tight, but enjoyable.

The Famous Man

He is floating upside
down; but still man-
ages to write about

air pollution monitoring
& source emissions
sampling. Is full of

concern for the dog
whom the maid is so
roughly ordered to

take care of. It is during
this time that any space-
craft traveling to Mars

must be launched.
Lessons do exist for us
from the Paleolithic.

Personal Values

The painting shows

an example of how technology helps citizens
what happens when the teacher mixes two colorless liquids
a prototype or a final version of the product
the ruins of a shipyard in the port of Carthage
a figure slightly hidden so that not everything is given away
the components of rapid installation
the yellow flowers of a sweet broom bush
a tongue removed from a cow with wooden tongue
the famous model of ancient Rome
two packs of insulation
a honey bee larva placed on a labeled glass slide
that timing is everything
victims of the Titanic stacked in body bags
an example of an optic nerve
Swedish glamor model Natacha Peyre posing with a fan
a mystery light in the distance
a cartload of seaweed
Earth as a small dot from a vantage point millions of miles away
the start of the dance with Death
only one moment & a cropped one at that.

Elementary Cosmogony

It's the same principle as picking the wine to go with your meal, except in reverse. That first leaf you consider often determines what sort of day it's going to accompany.

Celestial Muscles

The most superficial, most
Yáng system, mimics

Kim Kardashian's facial
expression & stylish top-

knot, & comes from the
merger of ordinary bonnet

needles & Alexei Nemov's
fit gymnast body as he steps

out for the Prince's Trust
Awards in a stunning LBD.

Early Morning

The door was open.

Everybody was lined up waiting for the door to open.

We had arrived early that Sunday morning, with friends from Wisconsin, so as to be among the first people to enter after the door was open..

The icing on the early-morning cake was little Stella relaying to her mother that she enjoyed drinking a Starbucks with me as we waited to be let in once the door was opened.

Access was available only through the Modern Wing entrance.

The door was closed.

The Uncertainty Principle

An object (a human figure or something else) is presented against a background on which its shadow falls, with the amendment that the shadow is that of some quite different object. Example: a naked woman projecting another in the form of a bird onto a curtain
wrote Magritte

The title is totally abstract. The painting presents a disturbing aspect of actuality. The uncertainty principle means that the position & momentum of either subject cannot be simultaneously measured with precision.

À La Rencontre Du Plaisir

Griot is troubadour,
West African, live
archive of traditions,
much like the
medieval minstrel.

Grelot is bell—jingle-,
sleigh-. Usually
little, unlike the one
depicted here. Is
a mystery why

the bowler-hatted
man is focused on
it since it has no
mystery. The man's
shadow stands be-

hind the curtain,
looks in a different
direction, absorbs
the atmosphere. He
will sing about it.

Later.

Pandora's Box

The rose waits beside the
man. Or. Maybe moves
beside him if the man is
walking across the bridge.
Twilight. The man is
wrong. The street lamps

are on. Or. Perhaps the city
is on fire & the lamps are
off. The rose is white. The
man is wrong. No matter
which brother. If Prometheus /
brought fire. Now waits to

see how his gift is taken. The
lamps are off. The man is
wrong. If the other / brother,
Pandora's husband. Her
beauty given to him. A jar.
The lid ajar. The gift is

mothbite, fresh horror re-
leased, by a woman's hand.
But a second visit. The man
releases hope. & man-made
myth. Apple fallen far from
its original tree. History re-

written as his story. The man
is wrong. Is patriarchal, is
parody. Is intended to
disguise there was no evil
given by the original creator.
Gaia, the Giver of All Gifts.

Freedom of Mind

Big pipe. Low price.
No data caps. Leave
anytime. It's almost

a recap of a *Sons of
Anarchy* episode—the
new moon, a half-naked

woman, with some sort
of avatar, a pipe-dream,
clenched in her hand.

A Little of the Bandits' Soul

I applaud main-
stream dystopia—
that depiction of
personal & collective
suffering in modern
Chinese novels or a
new Japanese gothic
stenchcore band

with female voice.
Perspective is a funny
thing, a little iron cot
hanging to the side
of the stone wall in a
manner that's executed
with a little more soul
in its synthesizing.

La Femme Cachée

In the last pages
of Breton's *Nadja*
he has moved on
from the eponymous
subject & is ad- & un-
dressing another, un-

named, woman who
has "taken his heart."
To him a replaceable
object. Idealized but
essentially unnoticed.
Hidden, in forest or not.

The Truth In Her Jasmine Bouquet

The dunce's hat comes from the tops of the towers where Euclid walked.

A kernel of wheat falls to the ground & dies.

Dreaming of pickles denotes vexation in love but final triumph.

One must have a huge amount of money to extinguish the fumes
of a false Renaissance.

Hiring a private detective may be one way to go.

The Conqueror

Trees rise, dunes
fall. Nothing takes
the fancy of the

man in the tux &
fancy shirt. He's
board, is bored,

doesn't know the
first thing about
how to conquer it.

Le Pont d'Heraclite

Everything flows, nothing abides, eyesight is a lying sense, wrote Heraclitus long before he'd seen the Magritte.

So, is this a painting of an optical illusion, or an example of the chemical process known as sublimation? A pipedream that

the bridge is incomplete, or a solid transformed to the vapor state without ever passing through the liquid? Doesn't seem to

worry Heraclitus either way. Couples are things whole & not whole, what is drawn together & what is drawn asunder, he posits.

Then, more in keeping with the theme, he notes that much water has passed under the bridge & just happened to rub half of it away.

The Window

Not even pivoting on
one foot for an hour or
so in what passes as
the real world will give
any indication of how the
pyramids were built. For
that you have to bury
your head in the sand at
half hour intervals & at

every fifth burial vary
things a little & raise
your legs up into the air
in a kind of ostrich yoga.
Cheops will eventually
come along; & with him the
visitors from outer space
who actually oversaw all
the construction work. Levi-

tation, levers & pulleys, a
thin magnetic strip along
which monorails ran – talk
of them & the aliens will
laugh. What they did was
offer debt relief to various
third world economies in
return for their labor. So
the Inuit carved the blocks,

& giant apes carried them up
the ever-increasing slope,
& Native Americans with a
head for heights & the benefit
of laser sights put them in
their anointed place. & all
the while bands played on
the nearby dunes with sub-
sidiary groups beamed in

from other Δ states in Central
& South America & the U.S.

Federal Treasury while aging
rock stars who pretended to

know something about eco-
nomics gave audiences to
the Pope & ex-Presidents &
-Prime Ministers in return for
knighthoods & naming rights.

The Alarm Clock

The alarm
clock tells me
it is time
to get up-
side down.

La Maison

In what is essentially a
compromise, a sound system
has been custom designed
to enhance a teacher's
ability to communicate, to
reach out to students, to

turn memorized inform-
ation into communication
& expose the brain to a
rejigged language structure
that makes the describing
of strange structures easy.

Fashionable People

Autumn is a tricky time.
Fashionistas get ready to
face the cold winter months
but try not to completely let
go of their summer styles.
Judgey blondes, with little
to qualify them beyond
starpower, must practise

soothsaying &/or augury
in order to keep coming
out of the woodwork with
new lifestyle brands that we
must either consume or else
opt out of the fashion stream.

Le Calligraphe

Winter is coming. We
have prepared for it.
Have written over &

over on any place we
could lay a brush on,
"winter is coming." We

have written, & now
the snow has fallen, &
overwritten everything.

The Domain of Arnheim (1949)

A sudden snap
freeze shatters the

window, but not
the bird outside.

Inside is a different
story; though on &

in reflection much
the same. Some play

on words that can't
exist in the original.

Scheherazade

The Marquis de Sade —
also a favorite of the

painter — spent a literary
120 days in Sodom. That

was slightly more than a
tenth of the time it took

Scheherazade to convince
her husband to cancel her

execution, & at least a
1001 times less enjoyable.

La Belle Captive (1931)

The grape harvest is over, so no window full of falling men in bowler hats. Just a single man walking along a grassy path, not even significant enough to be included in the painting of what might be behind the painting if the painting wasn't there.

Le Rendez-Vous

Smallish mongoose; pointed face; solitary, in pairs or small groups. Slightly diminishing the polar distance. The history teacher lectured us every day, did not sacrifice the quality of her scorn for speed, her words at first awakened horror but continued abuse became mere recitation. Something about a dead horse, diurnal floggings.

Rose & Pear

Snap an index finger
onto the skull. Make
a loud, drumming
noise. The subsequent
sine wave flatlines
even though the signal
is strictly limited at the
threshold. Ear drops &
finger rings rebound.
The floral bergamot
finish lingers for lovely
effect. It begins to rain.

The Cape of the Tempests

Spring in the
Southern Ocean.

Caliban is off
looking for wood.

The rock moves
closer to the sleeper.

He is dreaming
of Helen Mirren.

The Chamber of the Barley

It's a natural cycle. The
bird waits for the snow
to melt, for the water to
irrigate the land, for the
grain to grow, to ripen.

Then it swoops down, to
gorge. We hide in a cave, &
wait for the bird to find its
fullness, to retreat to its peak,
replete, to wait through winter.

La Fissure

The earth opens up.
Money appears,
U.S. dollars. Some
change hands, the

rest remain in open
view, available to
anyone. A teaser?
Or a smoking gun?

What was. What
is. An open window
able to bend light
in both directions.

The Key to Dreams (1930)

The horse ≠ the door,
the clock ≠ the wind,
the jug ≠ the bird. But—
unless, of course,
something is lost in
translation—the valise =
the valise. So, open it
up, put in, in any order,

horse, door, clock, wind,
jug, & bird so that, out of
sight, they won't bother you
any more, & close. Open
the other valise & put
the first in that. Shut tight.

A Friend of Order

The urge to analyze Magritte has proved hard to resist. Praising creative work is important: people need to feel as if their work matters. A segment of the literature drawn from the point of contact.

Most mornings I listen to the BBC on my way to work, hear how Pretty Boy Floyd has finally been captured in one of the vaults of the Chapelle Notre Dame de Lourdes. Even as a young girl, she had an urge to run.

Le pain quotidien

If the visibility is
good, & you're on
top of something

like Tokyo Tower,
then the city's most
beloved retro icon

might be seen main-
taining her exposure
to cloud-based apps.

The Orchestra Conductor

It is self-
hypnotism
without the
watch. It is
surrealism
without
the apple. Dis-

daining Mesmer
disdaining
Magritte I
play Miles'
Time after Time
time after time
trying to

convince the
day to move
to a place
where I can
watch my hands
dance & dance
along with them.

L'Aube à Cayenne

The transition to full horticulture comes at a cost. A six-hour flight, custom-built containers, the whole year as a graph where the darker

blue shadings represent the twilight phases. Vasectomy is less risky. Advancements in robotics plus a coordinated script have demonstrated good

outcomes—complete health solutions controlled by the human mind & tailored to go the distance once mining begins again at the Space Center.

Georgette at the Piano

Just as my brushes on
this canvas make music,
so, too, more precisely,
does Georgette at her

chosen instrument. Desire
is put aside. Outside of
this room, yes; but here
the keyboard & her hands

are sharp areas of paint,
of color. Contiguous; &
only Arnold Schoenberg
could make music out of

the separate elements. But
here is where I hope to have
the magic to bring it all to-
gether, to put music into.

La Grande Marée

Bells &

Winter snows, the sleighbells. Broken ice in the river. Parallax measurements. How people navigated & predicted the weather by watching meteors.

clouds

A small card with the cloud template is saturated with a deep affection. I already have the silver wing in heartgold. It will soon stop raining in the mountains.

& sky

Clouds & small bells falling from the sky. Amazing sea born waterfalls that appear as the tides recede. Rocks left outside the frame.

& tides

Computational power has led us to revisit the canonical tidal model.

The Face of Genius

This is taken from René
Magritte's ninth mixtape,
carrying on from, but a long
time after, his 16th century album,
The Perfect Pairing to Your Skin-

care Products, still remembered
fondly for its dramatic dub
version of the strangling of
Philip II, then Metropolitan
of Moscow, later sanctified.

The Art of Living

The orange people
used to be every-
where. Now only
a few scattered centers
are left. All small,
except of course, for
Donald Trump, the
center of the universe,

with his swollen head
& a disconnected brain.
The body transformed
by a business suit; but his
face still stained from the
clothes he wore before.

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"It was the earlier European Surrealists, particularly de Chirico & Magritte, who really got to me. It was their imagery, the way they combined unrelated objects into something that didn't tell a story, per se, but was open to a literary, rather than literal, interpretation. . . I don't know if my intention was to write a series, though I called it that from the start. What I wanted to do was write about Magritte-like things — the second poem was a found hay(na)ku that was the titling of a photo of a nuclear explosion — but somehow I got hung up trying to write a poem to do with the opening to The Simpsons & ended up going back to the paintings of Magritte." — Mark Young, an A to a Tom Beckett Q, thirteen years & about three hundred poems ago.



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