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exchange  
works

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The Academy of Fine Arts welcomes many exchange students each academic year. Every individual brings unique perspectives, and their personal spirit greatly enriches the Academy's study and work atmosphere. At the end of their stay, students are invited to choose one of the artworks they created to be featured in this booklet. This collection aims to help both students and staff treasure the memories of their exchange experience.

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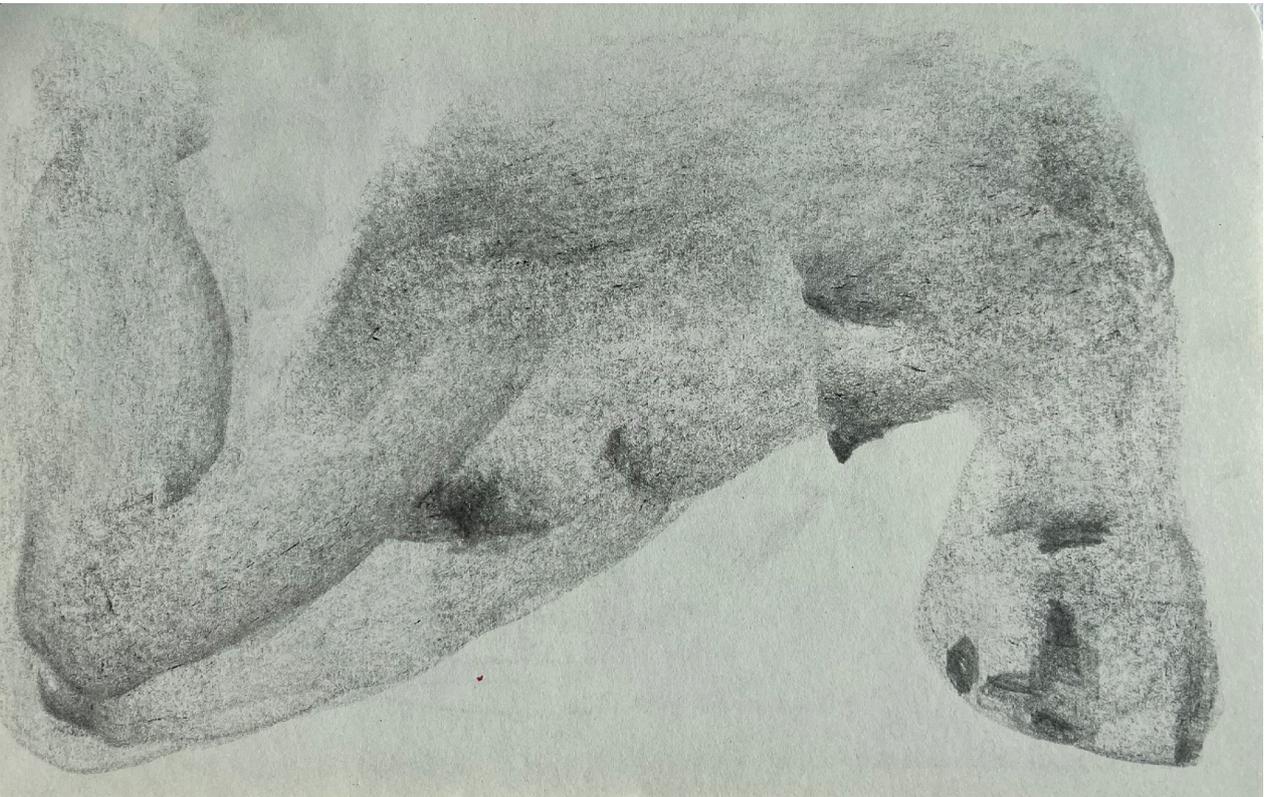
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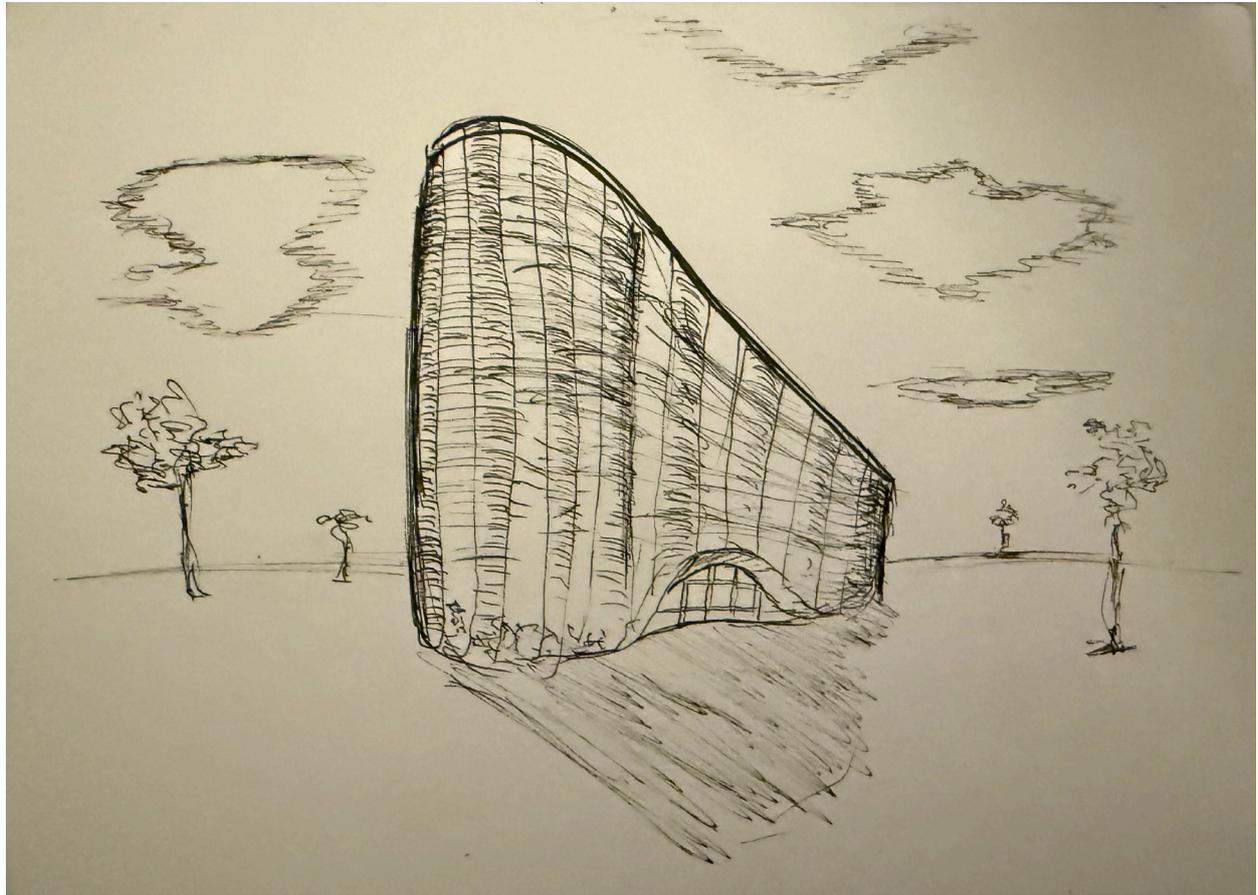
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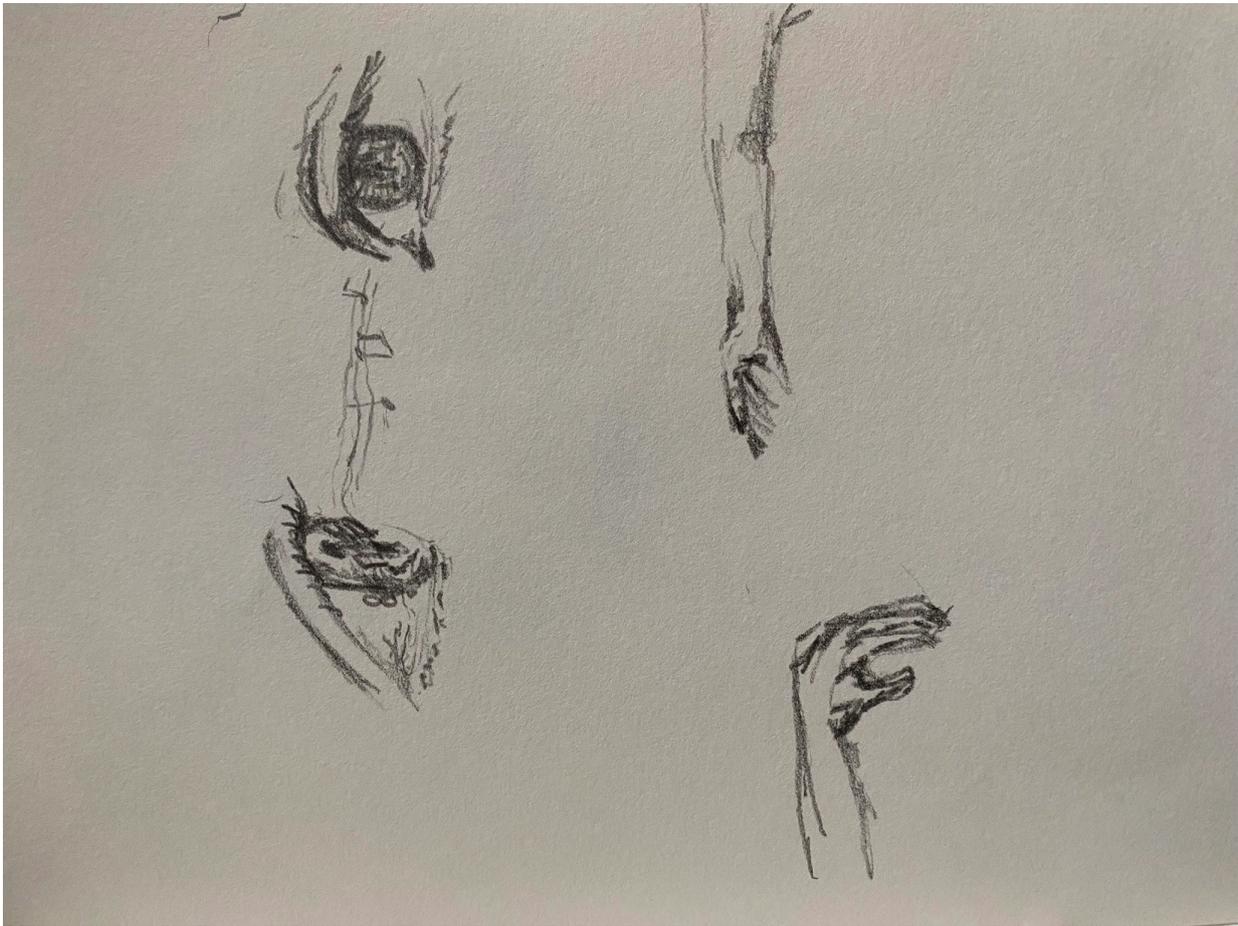
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## *I can eat glass, it doesn't hurt me.*

Or does it?

Much like this exhibition, which exists somewhere between chance and intention, the quoted project *I Can Eat Glass* by Ethan Mollick also emerged from a trivial occurrence of connection.

*The Project is based on the idea that people in a foreign country have an irresistible urge to try to say something in the indigenous tongue. In most cases, however, the best a person can do is "Where is the bathroom?" a phrase that marks them as a tourist. But, if one says "I can eat glass, it doesn't hurt me," you will be viewed as an insane native, and treated with dignity and respect.\**

In this enormous institutional space, it seems an absurd proposal: putting together the works of 18 artists, whose only apparent connection is being in the same situation: exchanging countries, an experience, and the constant effort to connect through broken english. Our circumstance, like the title, is nonsensical. Both the exhibition and our stay are short, fast, hurried and still somehow an open invitation to stop and take in the experience.

The pieces gathered here work their way through a path that cracks between concealing, witnessing and daring to take space. They are set free in this not-so-free display, to create a dialogue amongst themselves.

They expand as much as possible between pillars and tags and rules and otherness.

They share what they have seen as they occupy the space they were offered to stay in, if only for a little while.

Together, it all becomes a pulse of making meanings of one's own, to say that you can indeed eat glass , or at least might be willing to.

\*the project became an uncharted land over the internet, therefore there is no single source to quote, knowing more about it is as simple as writing *I Can Eat Glass* on your search engine.

## **curatorial text by Phia Pérez**

(who dearly thanks Max Lystor for crossing all of the t's and dotting all of the i's with such care)

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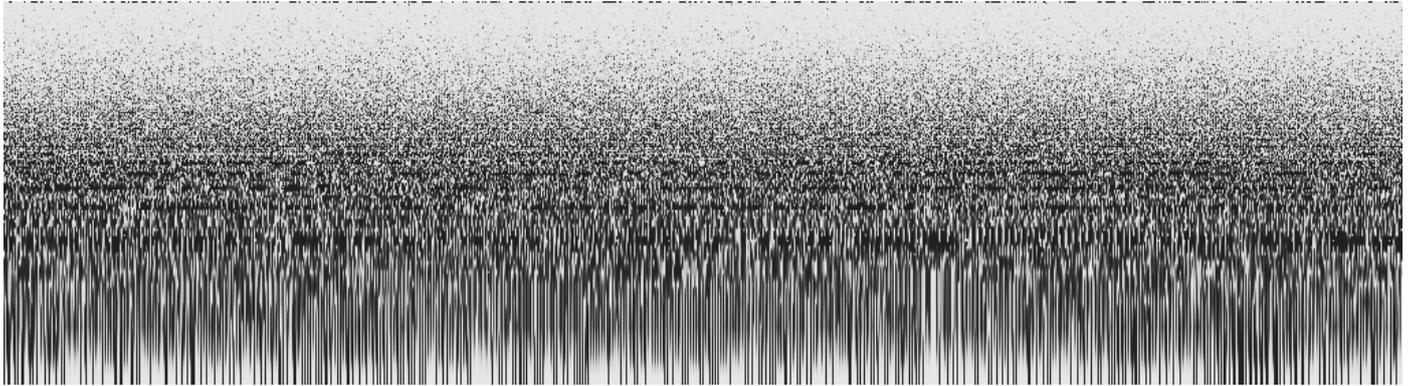
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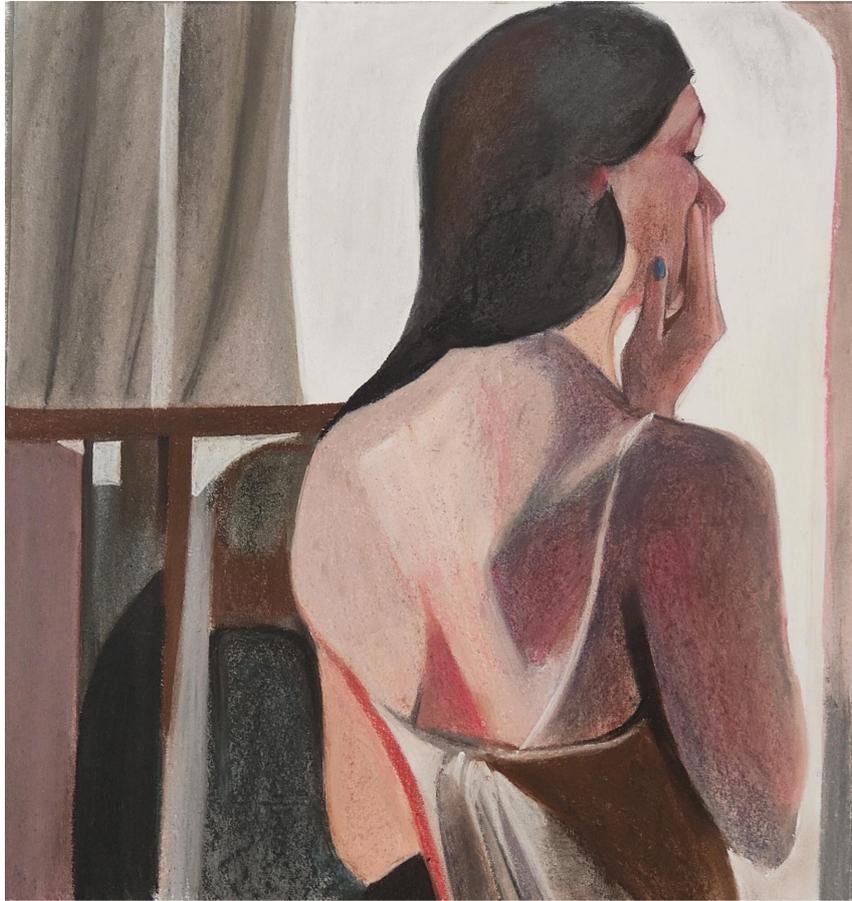
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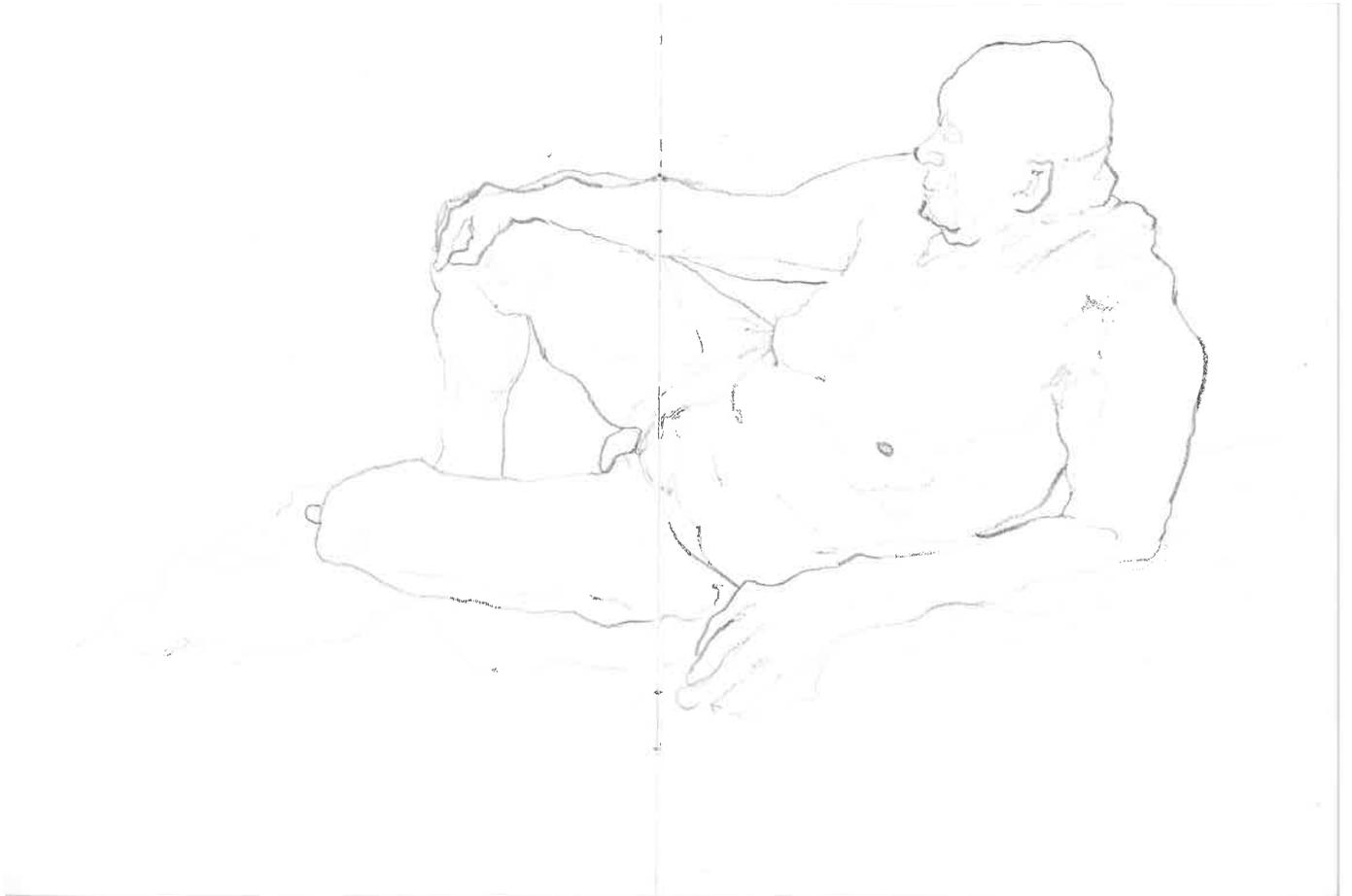
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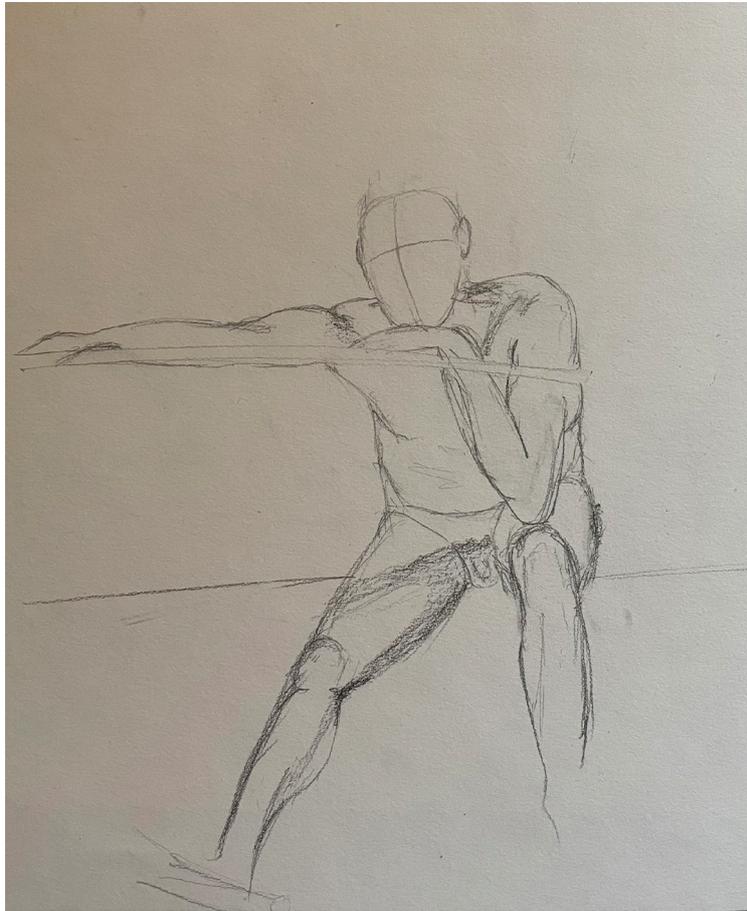
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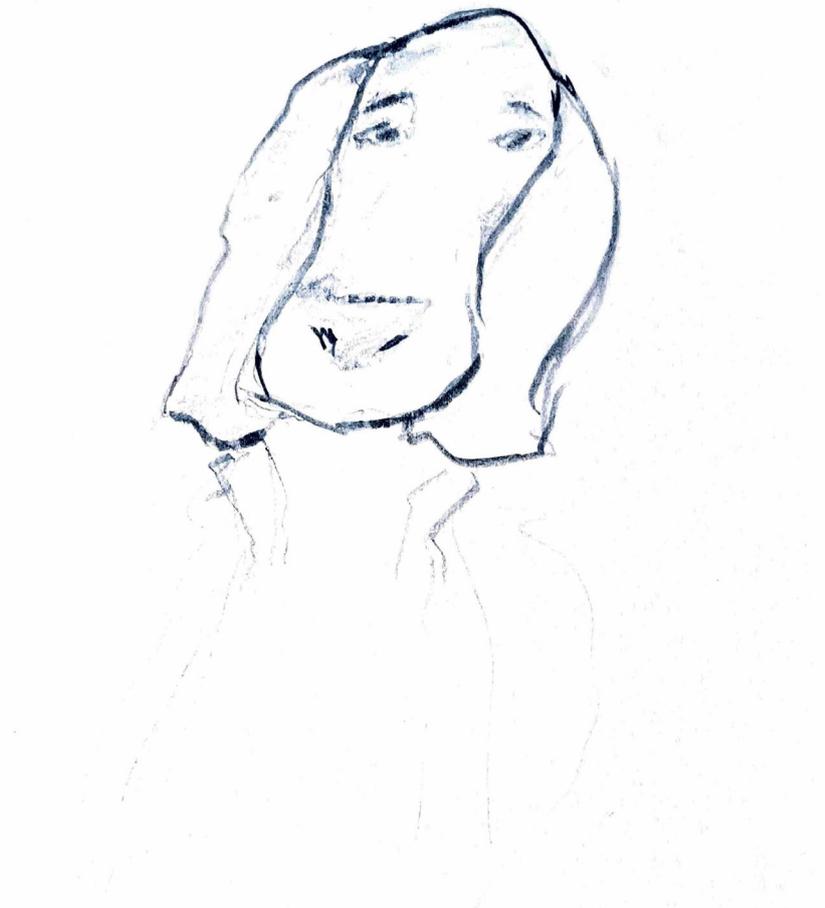
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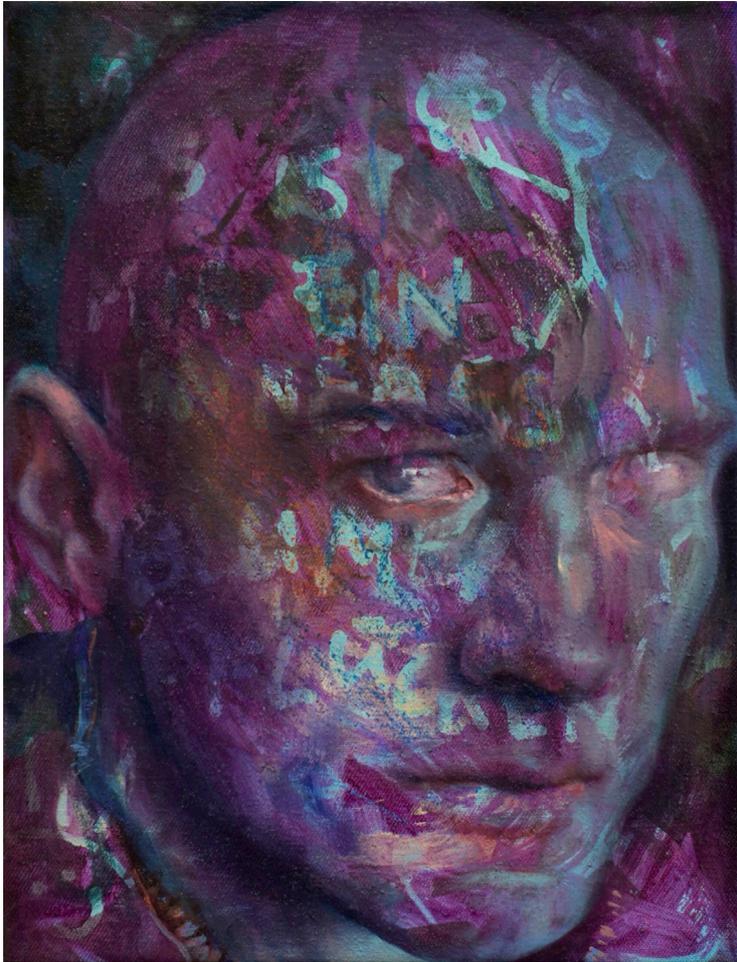
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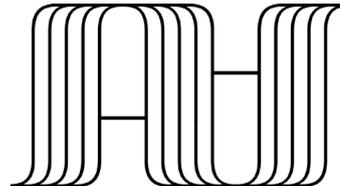


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