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Vila Nova de Gaia, Portugal Junho / June 2009 Ogni volta che si ricomincia ce lo chiediamo: Crack quest'anno si fa? non è una domanda tanto per farla, è una domanda vera come quando ti chiedi ogni giorno se ami la vita che fai, le persone con cui condividi i tuoi desideri. Sono domande a cui in ogni momento puoi rispondere in un modo o in un altro, all'opposto. Succede che questa storia di Crack, questo festival che non esibisce non vende e non è venduto, questa storia non appartiene più solo a noi, che stiamo qui a raccogliere contributi e adesioni, a spazzare le celle della nostra fortezza occupata. Il network decide va avanti, produce. Insomma chi arriva come ospite si trasforma in organizzatore e connette allarga moltiplica i nodi. È un processo Crack, e siamo sicuri che è un processo generativo e radicante, mobilmente stabile.

Forse non è un caso come e quando sia venuto fuori. Mentre il capitale emette nella vecchia e cupa Europa gli scricchiolii sinistri della nave che affonda, una nuova scena del fumetto sta emergendo. Attenzione stavolta non è fumetto d'autore, non è un estetizzante grafismo fuori dal mondo, o l'autobiografia nerd in scarpe da ginnastica. Stavolta è fumetto brutale, nervoso, incollato ai linguaggi e alle immagini della realtà. Insomma fumetto in prima persona, alla ricerca di un nuovo mainframe, di un nuovo sistema di codifica. Se qualcuno diceva che il fumetto era morto, sorry, il fumetto sta benissimo. Scrive e disegna pagine su pagine e lancia traccianti al plasma. In questa guerra siamo noi ad illuminare la vostra fottuta notte.

Vedremo, noi intanto stiamo già scrutando un poco più oltre. Il numero due di Ponti, la collana di congiunzioni disegnate in bianco e nero inaugurata lo scorso anno, è stavolta un passaggio ad ovest, sulle produzioni itineranti targate Chili Com Carne, il collettivo portoghese. Si va avanti, non ci fermiamo, era questa la nostra risposta, let's CRACK ON!

Each year, we ask ourselves..will we do another Crack festival?

Well, its not really like that. For us, its a question of what we're asking ourselves every day about loving the life we're living, or the people that we share our desires with. You can answer these questions in one way or another, in every single moment and from the opposite side. The story of crack, this festival in which neither exhibits which neither sells nor is sold. We've been here all along getting material together from the various contributors, cleaning the cells of our squatted fortress. But this story doesn't belong to us anymore: it belongs to the network that continues to grow and evolve. Crack is a process, a movement, and one which we are sure generates a radicant and ever expanding energy, permanently unstable.

Although, maybe it's not so much a case of how and when Crack started. As capital collapses in old, dark Europe, in the sinister creaking of the ship, a new scene in comix is emerging. But watch out, this time, its not about the cult of the author, nor the aesthetic obsessions, nor the autobiography from another nerd in sneakers'. This time, its brut-comic, nervous and close to languages and real images. Our comics come from unique perspectives, searching for a mainframe, for a new system of encoding. Well, if they want to say that comics are dead, we would like to affirm that they are alive and kicking. Put words and images on paper and throw plasma trackers. In this battle, we are the ones illuminating your dead, fucked-up night sky.

We'll see then, that in the meantime, we're looking further into the horizon. Ponti number 2 sees that connection drawn in black and white, on a passage from East to West, from the wandering productions of Chili Com Carne, the Portuguese collective. We'll keep pushing ahead and we won't stop. This time, let's CRACK ON!

CRACK ON POT Marcos Farrajota



Chaotic as the Roman traffic, there was people everywhere in infinite subterrean galleries - yes "underground" exhibitions in "late sensu" and without the stench of curators!

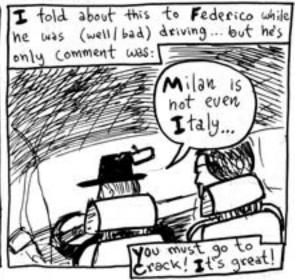


In Portugal, this would not be possible unless the event would be "trendy"...

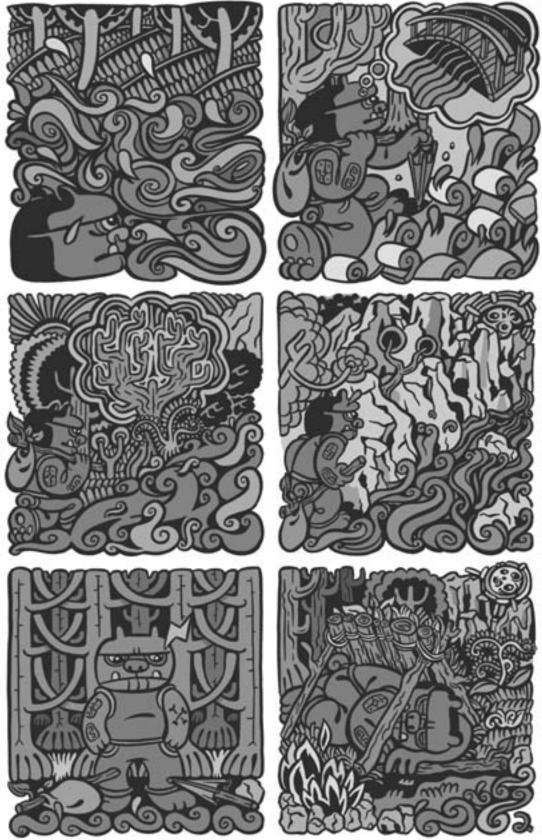
I should have known better... after all I went in 2002 to Happening Internazionale Underground (Milan), a similar event...

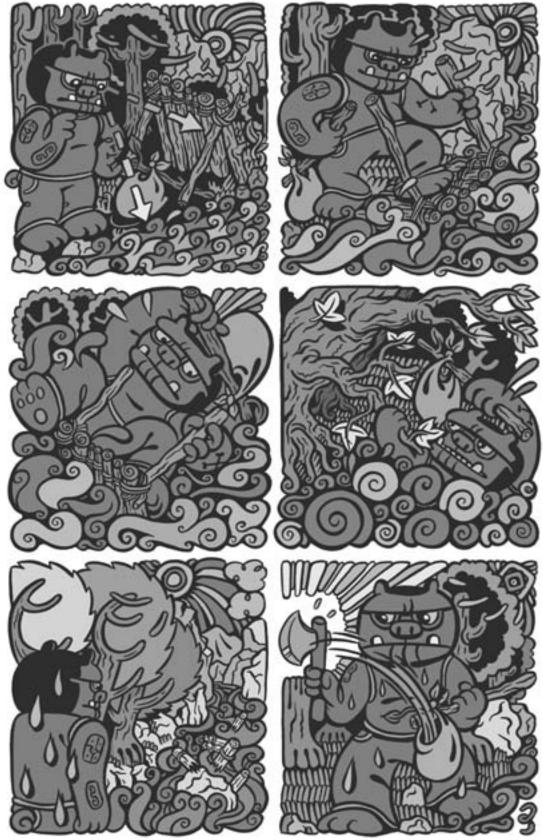
Saturday night at HIV was surreal:
there was not only "Che t-shirt"
boys but "normal people"... and
owns with neckties (yuppies!?) or



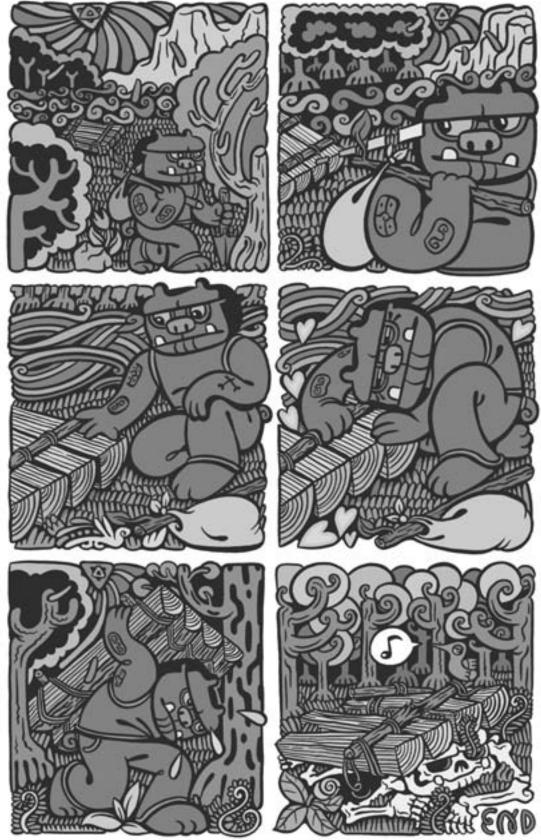




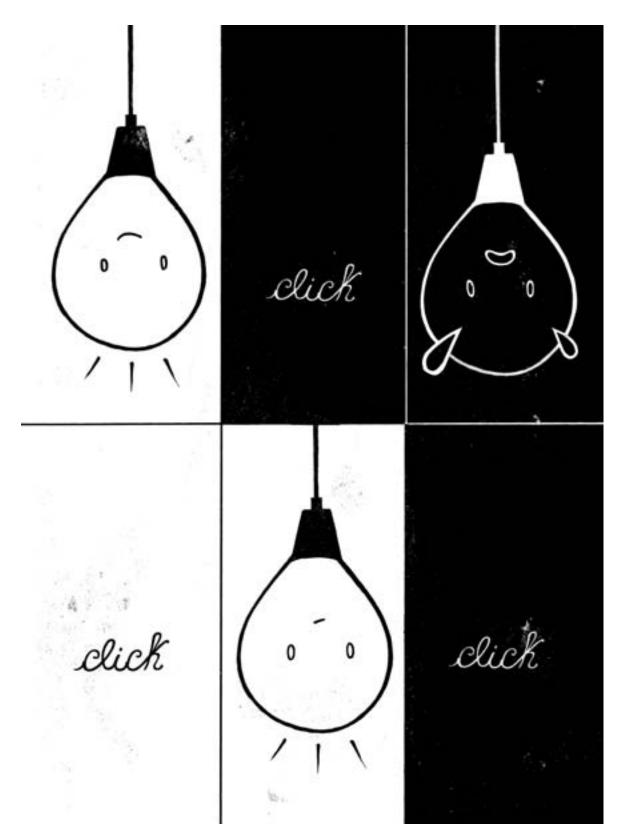












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ORE 16:30. CAMMINO DA SOLA PER LE STRADE DEL CENTRO.



CI SONO DEGLI EVENTI NELLA VITA DELLE PERSONE CHE MODIFICANO PROFONDAMENTE IL LORO MODO DI APPROCCIARSI ALLA VITA STESSA.



DIVENTANO INEVITABILHENTE PIÙ DISINCANTATE. OPPURE PIÙ INSICURE.



A ME CAPITA, AD ESEMPIO, DI DESIBERARE ALL'IMPROVVISO UNA VITA DIVERSA DALLA MIA... UN'ALTRA VITA QUALSIASI.

16:30 p.m. I walk alone in the city./ There are some events in people's life that deeply change their way to view life./ They become more disillusioned... or more insecure./ Suddenly, for example, I wish I had another life.

OSSERVO LE VARIE FORME DI VITA CHE MI CIRCONDANO. NELLA MIA MI SENTO COSÍ DESTABILIZZATA CHE INIZIO A BRAMARLE TUTTE, INDISTINTAMENTE.

... PERCHE, AL ESEMPIO, NON SONO QUESTA STRAFICA BRASILIANA?



OPPURE: PERCHE' NON SONO QUELLA ABOLESCENTE ESISTENZIALISTA?



OPPURE: PERCHE NON SONO QUESTO PIZZATOLO DI 45 ANNI ?



I observe other people's lives all around me. In my life I feel so destabilized that I desire all the other lives, without distinction.

...Why, for example, I'm not that sexy Brazilian woman?/ Or: why I'm not that existentialist teenager?/

Or: why I'm not this 45-years-old pizza maker?

OPPURE: PERCHE NON SONO QUEL LOHBRICO?





... VORREI TANTO ESJERE QUEL LOMBRICO, ORA.



... RIPENSANDOCI, POTREI CONTINUARE A VIVERE NELLA MIA VITA ALMENO PER UN ALTRO PO'... ALMENO FINO A DOPO CENA, AD ESEMPIO_

fin.

Or: why I'm not that earthworm? / ... / really would like to be that earthworm, now. / ???? / "... Hello? Are you?"/ "if we can have dinner together?? ...OK!!"/ ...Maybe, I could continue to live in my life a little bit longer... at least, until the after-dinner, for example.



1. Calm down, honey... Everything is going to be just fine/ Now... You've got to eat something/ What a whopper! 2. Otherwise you'll also get sick/ Fuck. It just seems impossible. My brother, so young, so full of spirit and strength ... 3. I'll gobble you any time!/ This is just what we needed to ruin our vacations. The weather is lousy, we've got no money, and now my brother had a stroke. Christ. What next? 4. Everything is going to be allright, honey.

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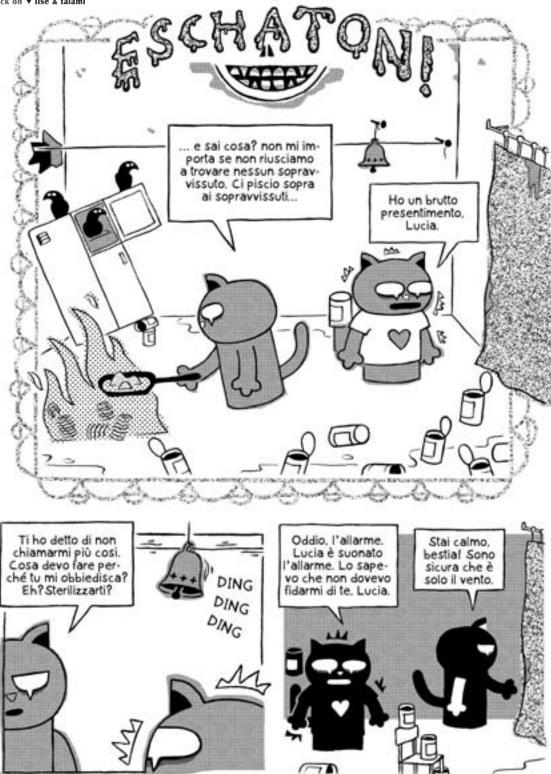




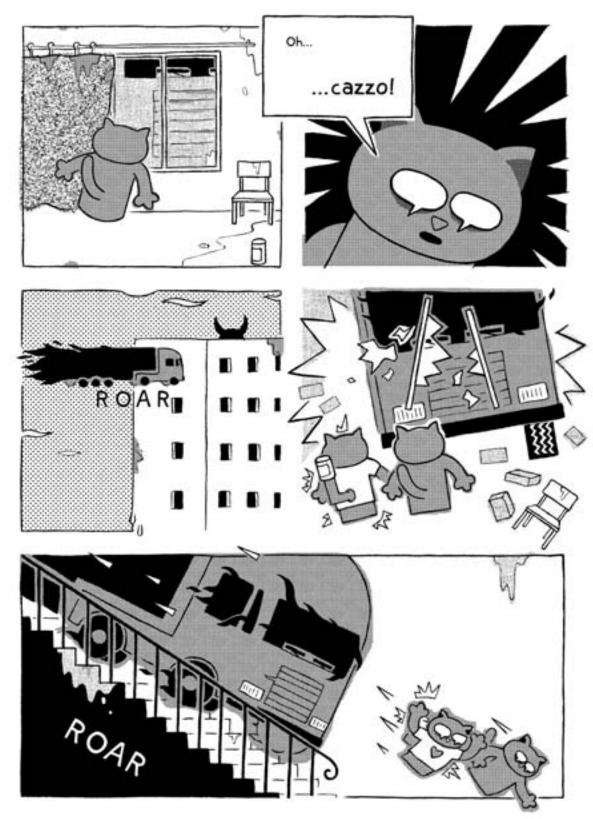




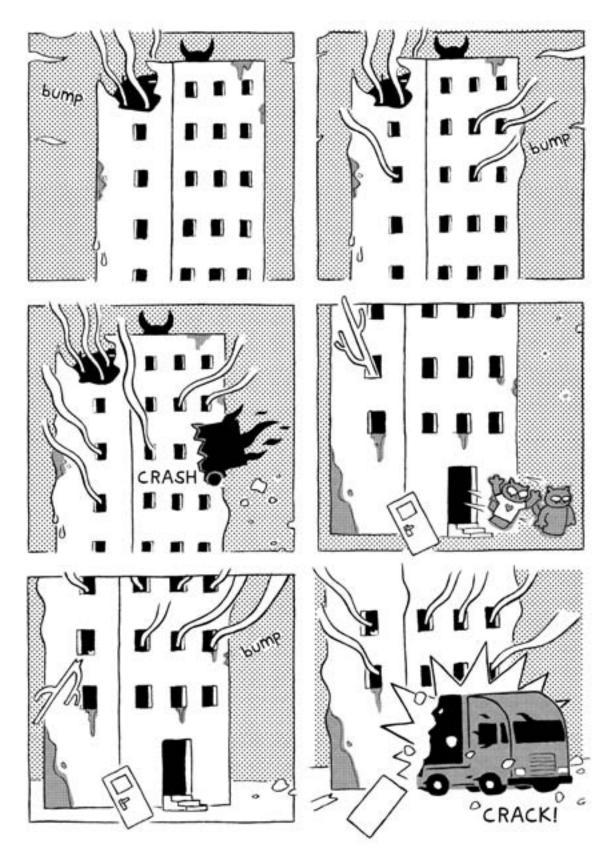




1. ... and you know what? I don't care if we won't find any survivor. I piss on survivors.../ I have a bad feeling, Lucy./ 2. I told you not to call me that way. Why don't you listen to me? What should I do with you? Fix you?/ 3. Oh my god, the alarm. Lucy, the alarm went off. I knew I shouldn't trust you, Lucy/ Be quiet, fool! I'm sure it's just the wind.



2. Oh... shit!





3. It takes less and less time to find us. If we want to survive, we have only one solution./ We have to immanentize the Eschaton!4. Don't worry, everything will be fine. All we need is a little mud. 6. And don't look me that way, this is not the first time you see me eating soil.



2. See? Now we can strike back./ But, Lucy... 3. Don't call me Lucy, fool! Since I was a kid I knew my destiny and my destiny has a name: Slurry!/ What about me? 4. Don't be self-centered, Wysiwyg. You always had the victim's vocation./ Yes but why, Lucy?
5. Why? I'll tell you as soon as I destroy the...









1. Help mum! My belly hurts! 2. ...Ten days in the hospital...maybe a gastritis...maybe worse...

3. My doctor is Dr. Fanti. Sometimes he comes for an examination...occasionally for a gastroscopy...

MA OGGI NO. OGGI VIENE TALE DOT. RATTI

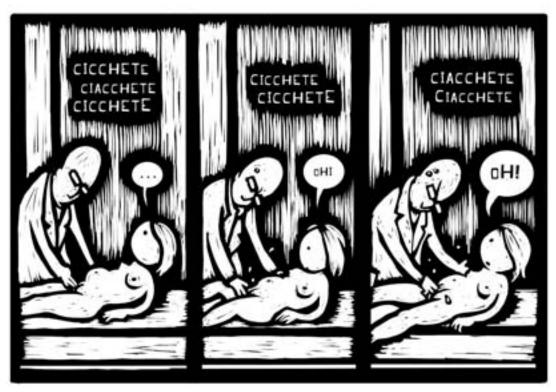








1. Not today. Today a certain Dr Ratti is here./ 'morning! How are you doing today? 2. Come with me, let's go in my office?
3. Ok. Now please lay down on the stretcher... 4. Oh... let's have an accurate gynaecological inspection... hmm... let me see...





4. Hhm...yes... it's okay... anyway it's a vaginal infection. I'll give disposal to the nurse for medications. Now you can leave.. Go.

I GIDRNI PASSAND...
IL DOT. RATTI NON LO VEDO PIU'...
I FARMACI PER LA MIA INFEZIONE NEMMENO...













1...days went by...Dr. Ratti disappeared...an so the medicines for my infection... 2. Today the nurse comes, I ask her about my medicines. 3. There's no disposal for this chimerical infection!/ What? Dr Ratti told me I have it! He gave me a gynaecological inspection! 4. Gynaecological inspection you say? poor little baby... Dr. Ratti is an orthopaedic...



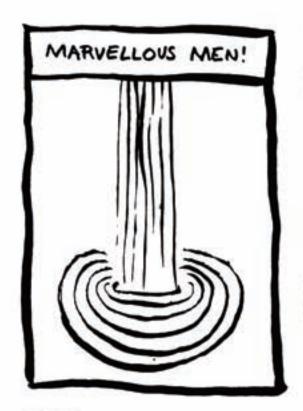










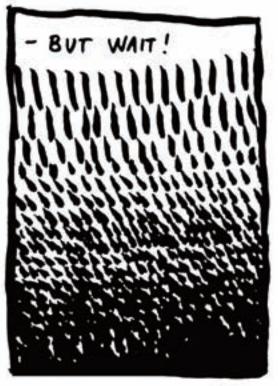








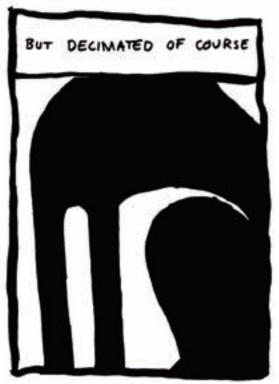


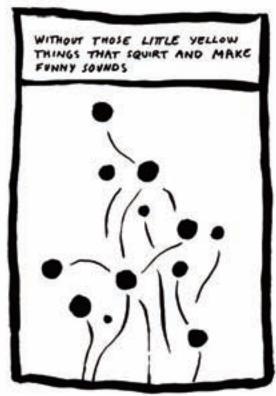








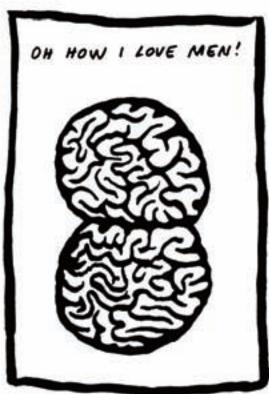
















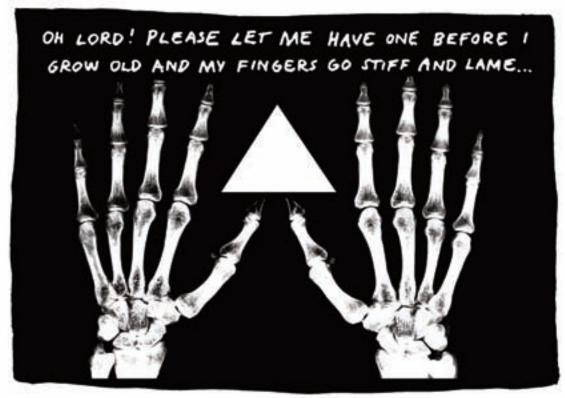
































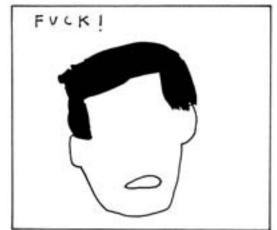




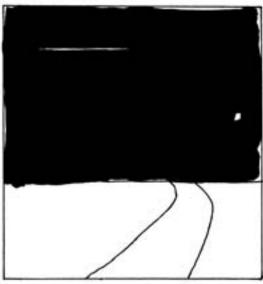
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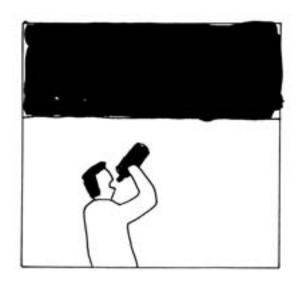








- 1. Everything's always closed in this place, one can't buy tobacco anywhere! 2. having a bath
- 4. I'll go to the beach and finish the rum there. Maybe I'll think of something about anything.













2. Good evening. 3. Man, glad you're here! Have you got a cigarette? 4. What's up? 5. It's saturday night and everything's closed in town, so I came here for a drink. What about you? 6. I was wondering about the light.











E UMA RADIAÇÃO,
POPE VIR PO SOL OV
DE VMA LÂMPADA AMBOS SÃO CORPOS
QUE EMANAM UMA
RADIAÇÃO...

1. Today I watched the sunset. It's such a strange moment. 2. So familiar and yet unexplainable. 3. After all... what is light?

4. Light? it depends... natural or artificial light?5. Natural and artificial light! And don't tell me it's the sun and light bulbs!!6. It's radiation, it can come from the sun or a light bulb - they both send radiation









PERCEBO A IDEIDA DE
RADIAÇÃO MAS ISSO
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A VEMOS, ISSO E RADIAÇÃO. EV QUERO
SABER O QUE E A
LUZ PARA MIM...!



and our eyes are sensitive to it.
 Yeah, I was told that one before.
 It's to do with electromagnetic waves.
 Still, I cannot understand what is light.
 I understand the idea of radiation but that's not light as we see it, that's radiation. I want to know what's light to me...
 I t's an electromagnetic radiation! And what you see is light!!



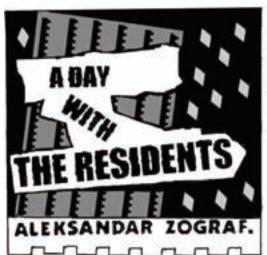








But light and vision are not the same.
 No, they're not. But... if you can't see, there is no light!
 But I can have light and still be unable to see. /How's that?
 As it is.



IN NOVEMBER 2008, THE RESIDENTS HAD THEIR BELGRADE SHOW. AFTER ABOUT 30 YEARS OF LISTENING TO THEIR MUSIC AND THINKING ABOUT THEIR SECRET IDENTITIES, I SUDDENLY HAD A CHANCE TO SPEND AN AFTERNOON WITH THEM...WE MET AT THE NIKOLA TESLA MUSEUM (UNDER RECONSTRUCTION, BUT YOU CAN STILL SEE THE BALL-LIKE CONTAINER WITH TESLA'S ASHES).



THEN WE VISITED "TESLA'S FOUNTAIN", WHICH WAS UNDER THE GLASS WALLS NOBODY CARED TO PRINT AN EXPLANATION ABOUT WHY IT WAS SO SIGNIFICANT...





SO, WHAT IT WAS THE ONLY PLACE WE ACTUALLY THINK OF IN THIS TOUR WHERE OURSELVES AS A "TROUPE" NOT A "BAND"

THE AUDIENCE DIDN'T LOOK SURPRISED...

YES, PEOPLE
USUALLY EXPECT
A "CONCERT" WHILE
OUR SHOW IS SOMETHING

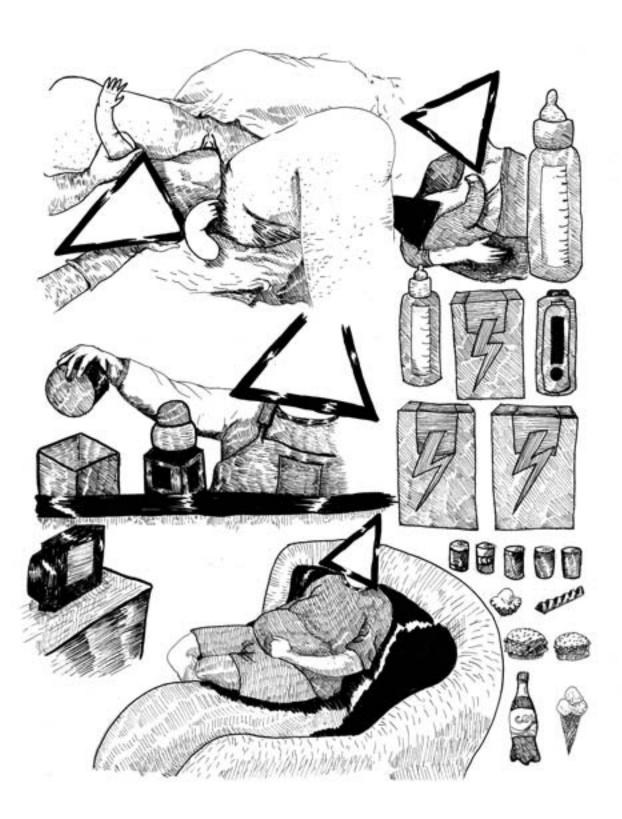
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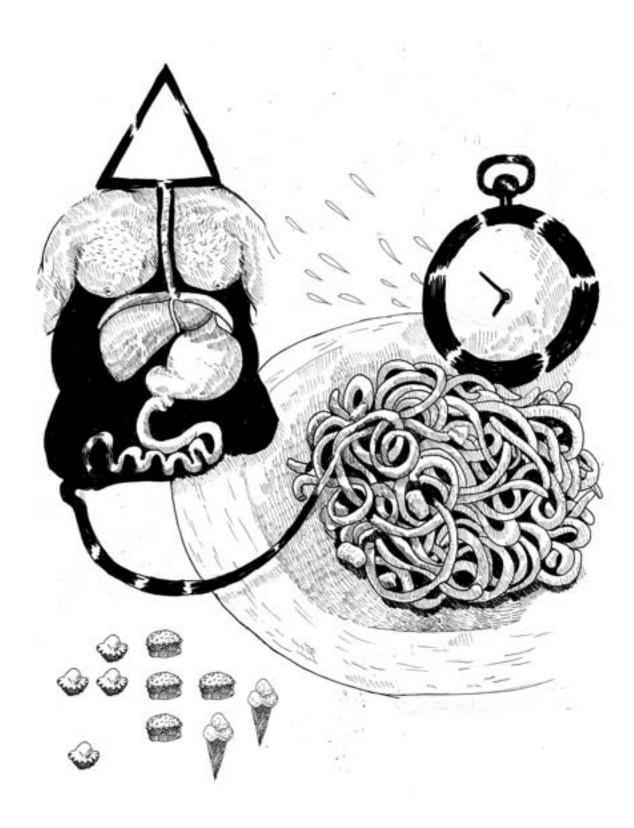
IN EUROPE, SINGERS USUALLY JUST
STAND STILL IN FRONT OF THE MIKE.
HERE IT'S CONSIDERED A PART OF
AMERICAN WAUDEVILLE TRADITION, WHEN
SINGERS DANCE
HMM, SOME EUROPEANS
WHILE SINGING
DO SOME DANCING, LIKE
MICK JAGGER, DEN'T THEY?



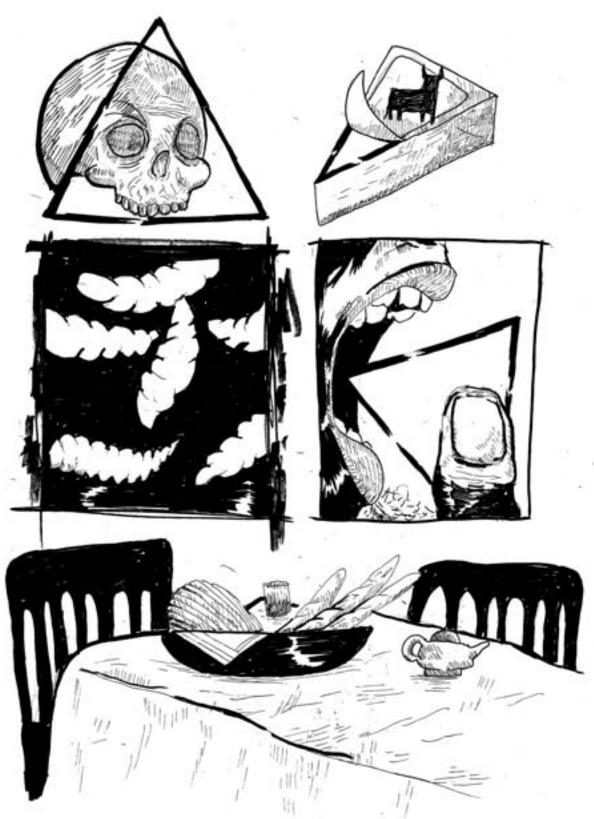


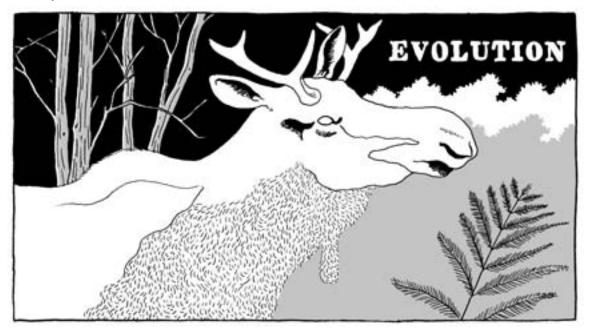




















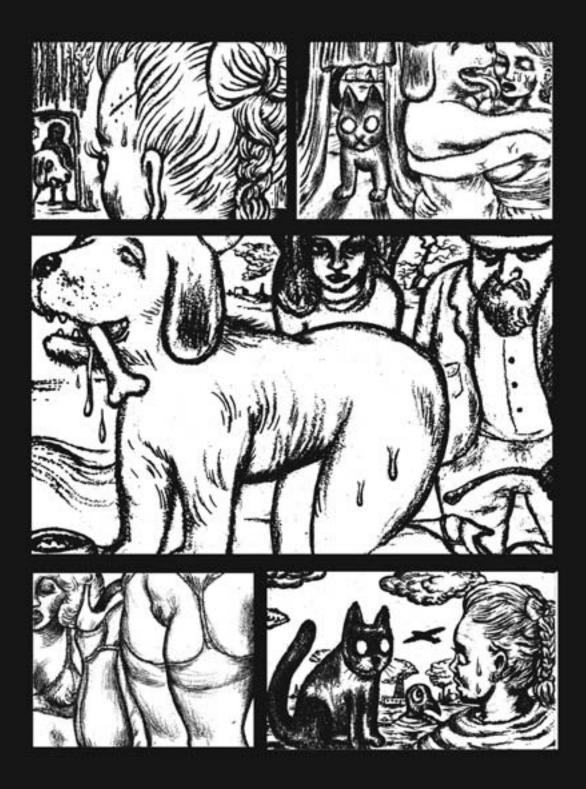


























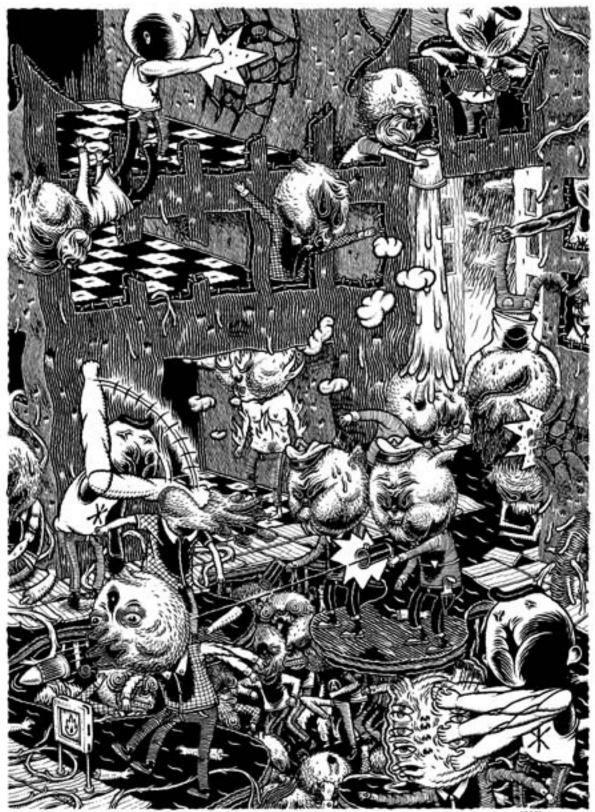












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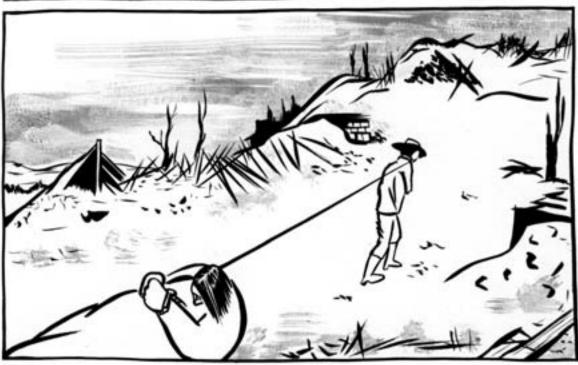
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The PROCEDURE LIFE AND TIMES OF ZORKA PETROVICE

BY NINA BUNGEVAC









































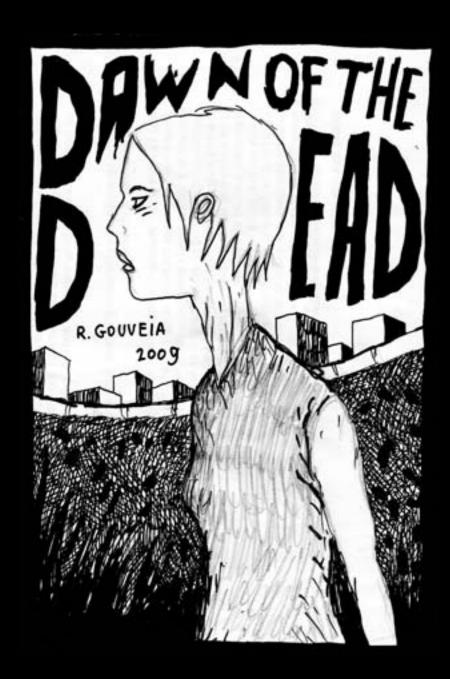








THE END











WHO ONCE WERE AND NO LONGER ARE.















Infact, Indeed, Instead, Iollo that year oot a circleriend



They Got AIDS touether

And like in every respectable two pase comic, time flyes, and useless, from that day til one warm 2009 afternoons.



Lollo couldn't understand at first... he was gettin'so ting... he could get into nearly backet ...



He started robbing everything he could Left his dope dealer job, On the road for Happyness and freedom!

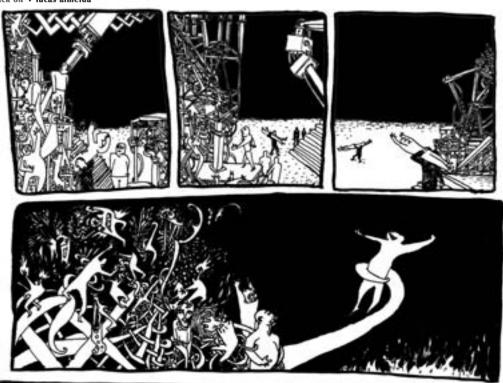


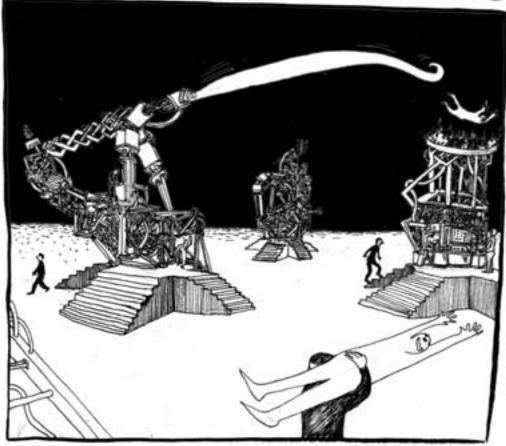


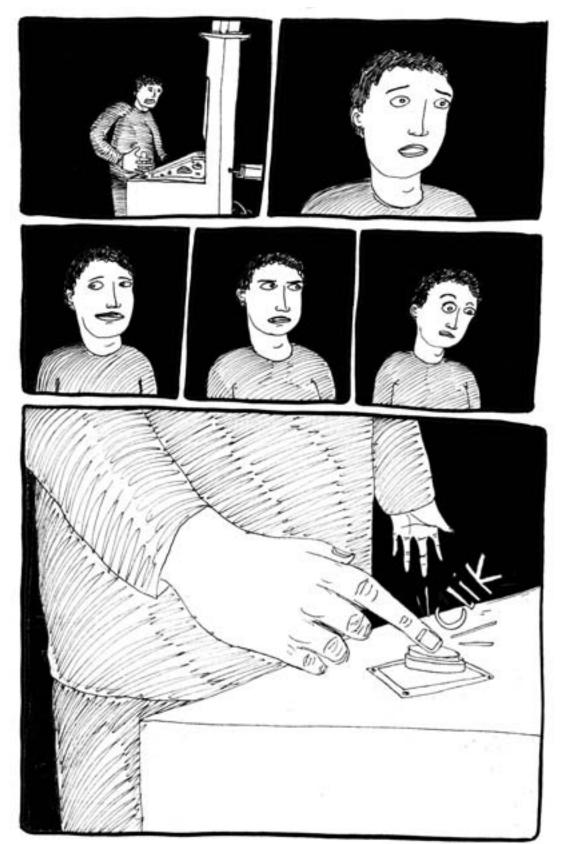


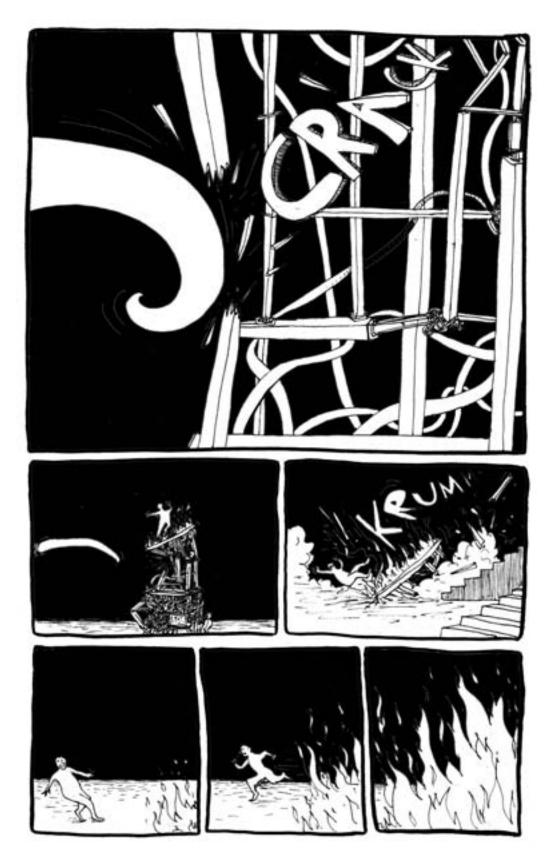


No fish ever rose to that built Not even for half the price. Lollo died slowly smallowed into a little hole in the ground, for a temporary and Guilty lack of inspiration



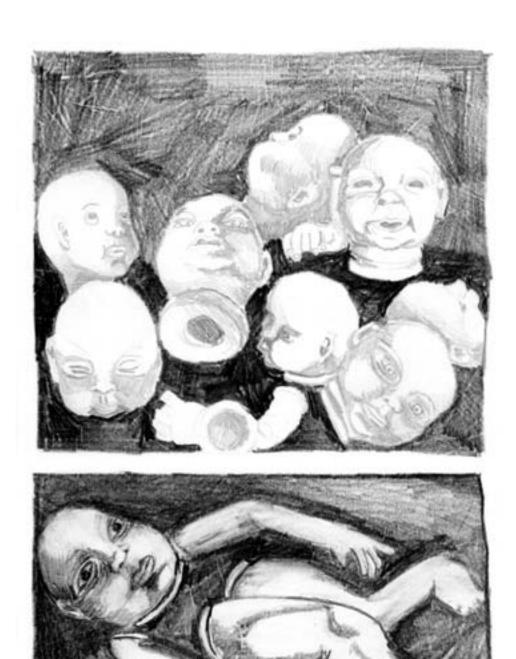






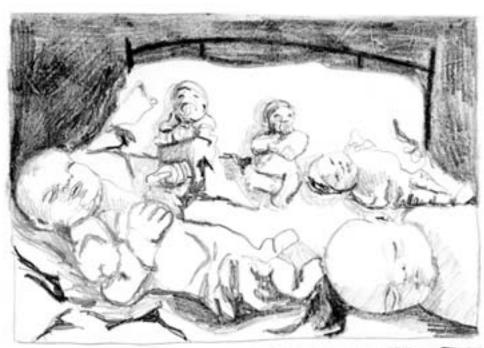


What a beatiful brand new day for our little chick!
 Padre Pio Pio works all day long while a little kitty is watching him...
 When day is going to end, Padre Pio Pio comes back home... and what does he meet?/ oooh! This thing could be very becoming!
 What a nice little animal!
 Finally everything turned out allright!



















1. Oh, there she is. She hasn't drowned yet. 2. Well, what's going on here? Are we showing our boobies? Well done, Lily! You got me distracted and just go and show your breasts to the world. Hum... Where's the zoom in this thing? 3. Aha! This lens has a spectacular definition. 4. Ta-tari-tari-tara... I bet Lily's taking a leak, there... Staying still for so long, with that innocent look on her face... I'm beginning to get excited...





1. New York, 3 AM/ You guys suck 2. You PIGS 3. He's the best 4. Jarvis, take me home. I wanna see the Disney channel/ Yes sir 5. At home/ Mommy, I wanna some tea

















Miguel Carneiro (pp.: 97-103)

"Shitty stories stink!..."

1/4

- Ipsis Verbis.
- What you know is but the rind of life... And nobody can make mush out of me, as the poet said.

2/4

- I'm gonna give you shitty advice: everything is summed up to control one's bowels to work properly at any time in any place...
- [in the wall] Ah! / Oi! He never cums!
- You'll see, it's a brave new world! You'll feel not only light like a feather and relaxed, as you'll also contribute to a decrease of the effects of dominance and hypocrisy...
- ...which buy out the innocence found in this world, instilling fear and stupidity! You won't need anyone to fuck you up the ass in order to take a better dump!

3/4

- Sort your own shit out! All you need is discipline, some sphincter control and detachment from anyone or anything which can hurt you! If you follow this program you'll see that very soon you'll find yourself shitting on the sidewalk, on the curb, on the nastiest toilets, on others and even, if necessary, on yourself, without ceremony and whenever you feel like it... 4/4
- Shit out what you eat... and don't let yourself be forced to eat what others shit out! Forget about laxatives and whining, you'll shit way before you feel stomach cramps! You'll be self-sufficient and the pleasure of your turd dilating your sphincter and stimulating your prostate as it comes down your intestines will bring you an instantly addictive satisfaction...
- Pleasure spasms will ripple through your whole body, bringing about muscular relaxation and tension relief. Every time you emerge from this trance, from this voluntary suspension of the time flow and of rational order, you will look upon the world with enviable clarity and discernment...
- [Janus singing] I made a lover out of my bottle (hics!) I'm only happy when I see her emptied out...
- Anyway... where was I? So much verbiage has lowered my blood alcohol. And as the people says, 'There are those who wait for a ride, and the ones who hit the road'. By-by now, see you on the next stop!



Da nostra nonna e Superstiziosa Albra le facciamo credere che ci sono dei rospiin giardino/nascosti dietro gli alberi! Terché quando ne trova uno, gli tiradella varechina sul muso a la state addivittura nella Stufa al ghisa! Ei dice che è Satanosso che vuole entrare a casa sua, E ci fa ridere



Una volta, trascino un ragazzino moltofastidioso in cucina Li mistrofino le due mani all'altessa del casso, facendogliuna faccia da beato deficiente. s Dai prova !" e il nagorzimo lo fa, e Sembra molto contento 1 Dai, vai da tua madre, e falle questo. "e ci va: Devi fare la pipi? Jeragazzino mon nisponde, Jeragazzino mon nisponde, midai sui nervi! Continua: Oh, midai sui nervi! E si becca una sberla miadiale! 3 PLAFF! &



Frima di andare al catechismo, facciamo Sempre il giro degli empori, somelle poi un passagio obligato al supermercato per arrafare tuto il possible tora commelle, Tero Dio ci perdonalo stesso mole, M. diamo IIII gomme da masticare, e cioccolatini. Me diamo un saco al curato,





il fumo! Rollo canne con qualsiasi cosa e testo sui mei Compagni: Spezie, biscotto Schiaccito e anche paté (e sembra che spacchi) brovo anche a vendere della cacca di borboncino a degli amia: Haun odore forte il tuo fumo!" Normale, è fumo bulgaro!"

FRÈRES GUEDIN {pp.: 105-111}

Translations by Chantal Malambri and Francesca Davoli

1 CORBACS

Crows

Since high school, my litte brother and i became a good couple of crows.

We wrote a bunch of anonymous letters.

Sometimes for revenge, sometimes just to kid an idiot.

In time we became more accurate, we created some characters, we wrote mindless poems...

"The video recorder of my heart can't stay in stand by when i look at your little bee's round rump."

My flat-mate and her stupid boyfriend didn't appreciate the joke,

so they went to the police to report this disturbed admirer.

Anyways, I was above suspicion, because one day, while she was still looking for the guilty dude, she told me:

David would never do that, he's such a good guy!

НІНІННІННІНІНІН!

2 NONNA CRAPAUD

GrandMa Crapaud

Our Grandmother was very superstitious.

So we used to let her believe that there were toads in the garden, hidden behind the trees!

Cause when she would find toads,

she would throw bleach on their snout

or she shuff them right down in the pot.

She would tell us that it was Little Devil that wanted to come in her house and that made us laugh.

3 LA BAFFE NOIR

Black Slap

Once, i was dragging a very irritating child in the kitchen.

That's where i start to rub my hand at the level of my dick

in front of him

making a stupid happy face.

"C'mon let's Try"

and the little guy did it.

He looked really happy too.

"So go to your mother and show her what you can do".

So he went.

"what's wrong with you?"

"Do you need to pee?"

The little guy didn t reply but went on instead

"Oh you make me nervous"

and he gets a big slap right in the face.

4 GLORIA HARIBO

Before going to catechism we would always go in the little delis,

then we stopped by the supermarket

to steal as much as we could, chewinggum, candy, chocolate bars...

But God still forgave us

cause we would give a lot of these sweets to the priest.

5 CANICHE SHIT

Doggy Shit

In High Scool we find out Smoke

i rolled joints with whatever i could find and tested them on my friends:

spices, mashed cookies, and also "pâté" (it' sooo good)

I alsoTried to sell French poodle's shit to some friend: "uhm your pot has a strong smell!" "Of course, it's bulgarian pot!"





1. Here we go. The avalanche of phone calls just started./ That's to be expected. You don't turn thirty every day.

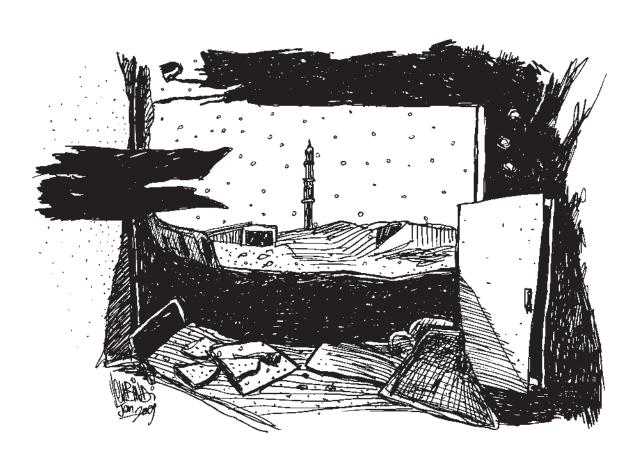
2. That's not it. It's the landlord bugging for the rent. Yesterday was just the same. 4. I really feel like some seafood, today!













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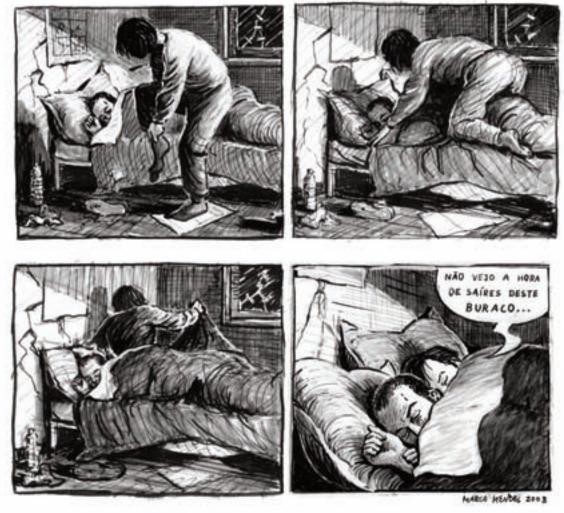
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4. I don't know when you'll get out of this dump!