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PASSING **THROUGH**

(1975-2015)

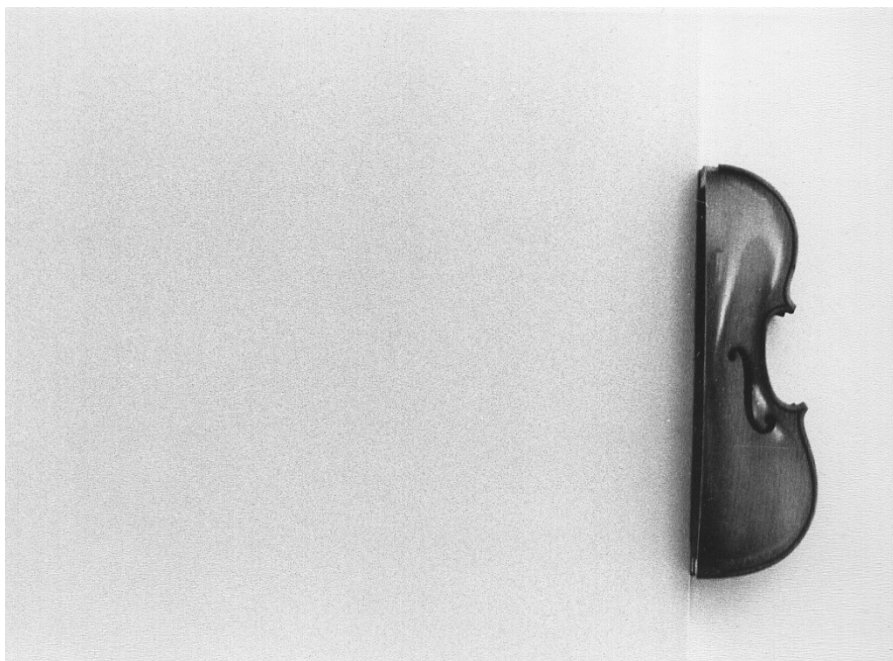
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“Contemporary art tends more and more to rediscover the importance of *discovery*, of the experimentation of new materials and techniques borrowed from daily life. The artist becomes the one who reveals to all the possibility of new combinations of things. Cultural anthropology calls it *bricolage*, that is, a magic and playful use of objects which, displaced from the world of their usual functions, are shifted into new and fantastical uses. From the games children play the avant-garde and neo-avant-garde movements have relearned the ability to take apart the grown-up world and rework it in a personal and highly imaginative style. The method lies in thinking up alternative rules to the game, rules that fall outside of the repressive logic of reason and reasonableness.”

(**Achille Bonito Oliva**, in the *Compulsory Education* exhibition catalog*, with me and Arman, Alighiero Boetti, William Burroughs, James Lee Byars, John Cage, Giuseppe Chiari, Enzo Cucchi, Milan Knizàk, Shigeko Kubota, Walter Marchetti, Yoko Ono, Nam June Paik, Vittor Pisani, Mario Schifano, Ben Vautier, Wolf Vostell with **Gino di Maggio** support)

* *Fuori Uso*, Pescara, 1991

THE UNIVERSE IS IN CONTRACTION



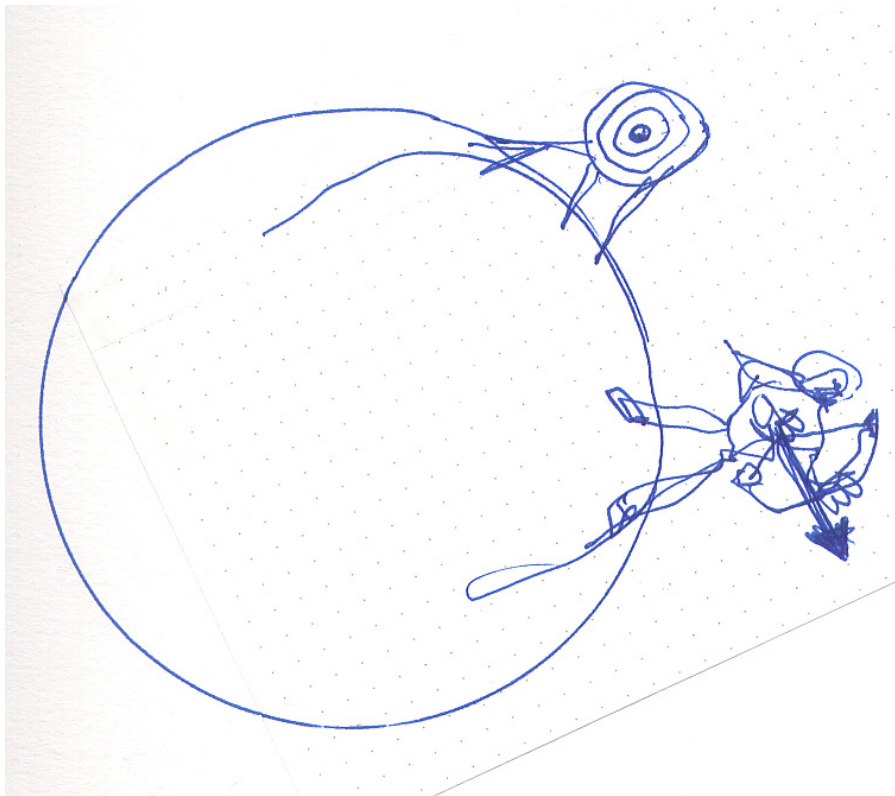
SUPPOSING THE EXACT **WHERE**



CONTAINING CONTENT



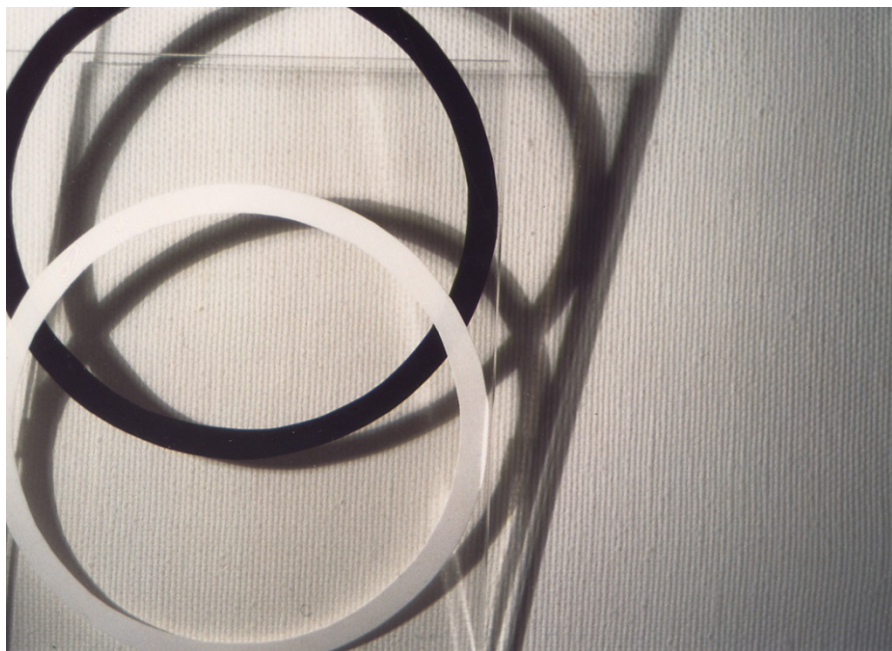
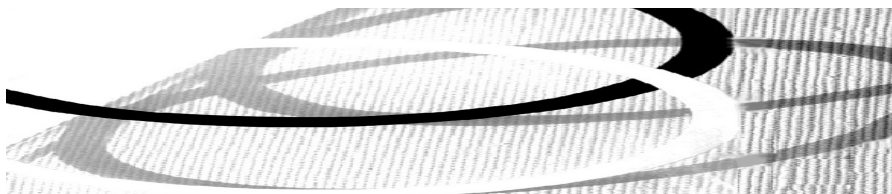
DEMONSTRATION OF IRRESOLUTION; THE GAME WITH **BOW AND
ARROW**



THE CONDITION OF **WHERE**



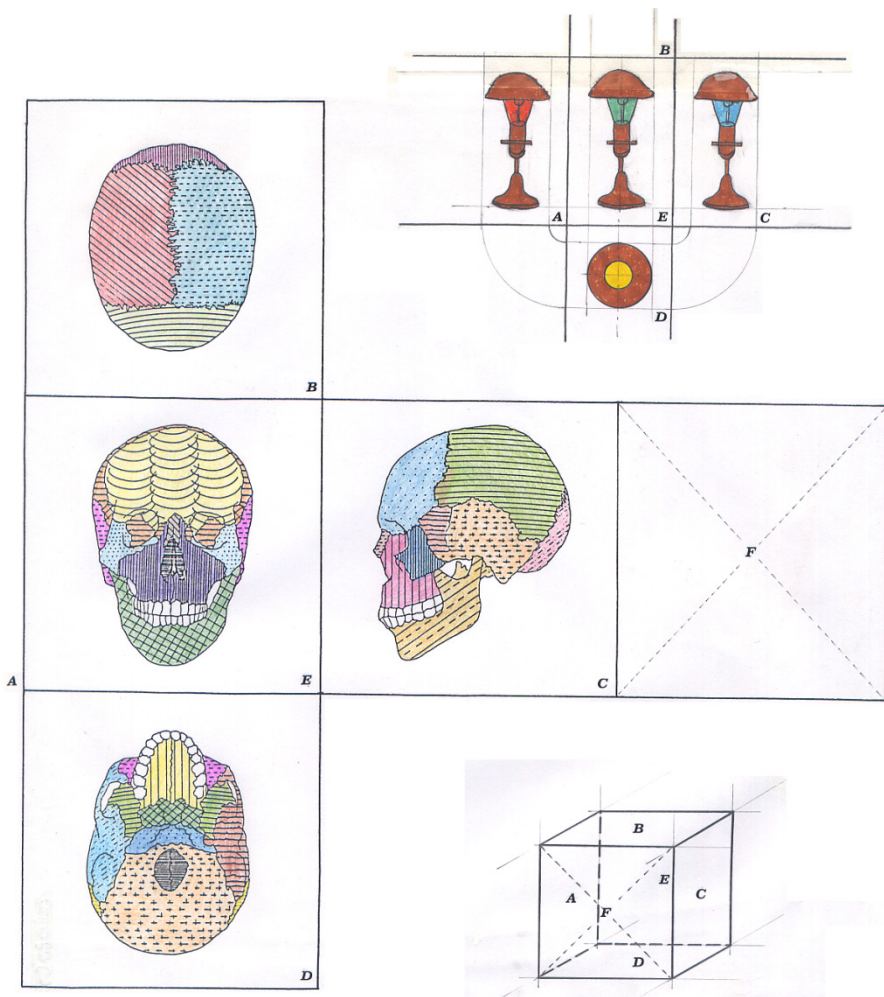
THE DOUBLE AND THE **EXT**ENT



OPEN WITH CAUTION



VISIBLE CUBE



TIMELESSNESS

[ANNE MIRACLE AND PAUL MISTAKE ARE THE PROTAGONISTS OF THIS ADVENTURE. DISGUISED IN THEIR INITIAL STRETCH OUT LOOKING FOR THEIR IDENTITY, ALTHOUGH IT DID NOT DO ANYTHING TO FIND HER. THE INSIGHTS SOB: DRAW A CIRCLE WITH SPEECHES WHEN WE LIVE IMMERSED IN A TRIANGLE, ALLOWS THE GEOMETRY TO SUCCUMB TO THE PERFECT TEMPERATURE. YET, AS FILTERED THROUGH A PRISM, THESE TWO CHARACTERS SPARKLE LIKE SNOW IN THE SUN. WHEN **A. M.** CLINGS TO κρόνος, **P. M.** TAKES OUT HIS αἰών TO TRY TO DETERMINE FOR THE UMPTENTH TIME THAT TIME EXISTS ONLY AS AN EXPERIENCE OF HIS ERROR. BREAKING UNDERSTANDING OF TIME, INSTEAD OF GETTING CAUGHT, IT SEEMS THE ONLY WAY TO AVOID INTENTIONS.]

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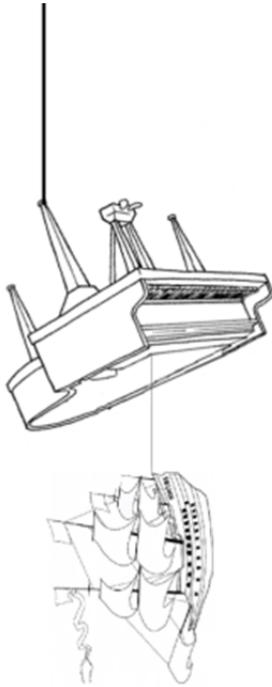
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COPY FROM LIFE



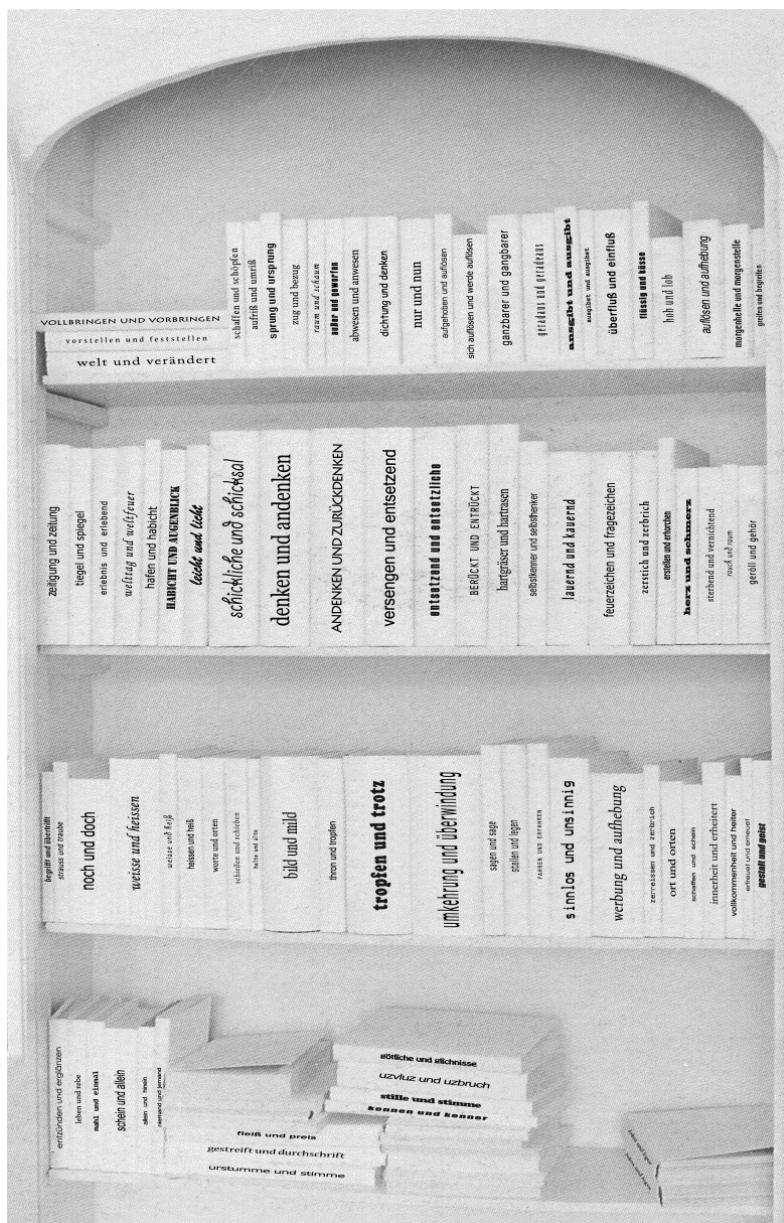
EK-STASIS/EX-STASIS: ONLY BY THE FORM (THE PATTERN) CAN MUSIC REACH THE **STILLNESS** AS A CHINESE JAR STILL MOVES PERPETUALLY IN ITS STILL**NESS**



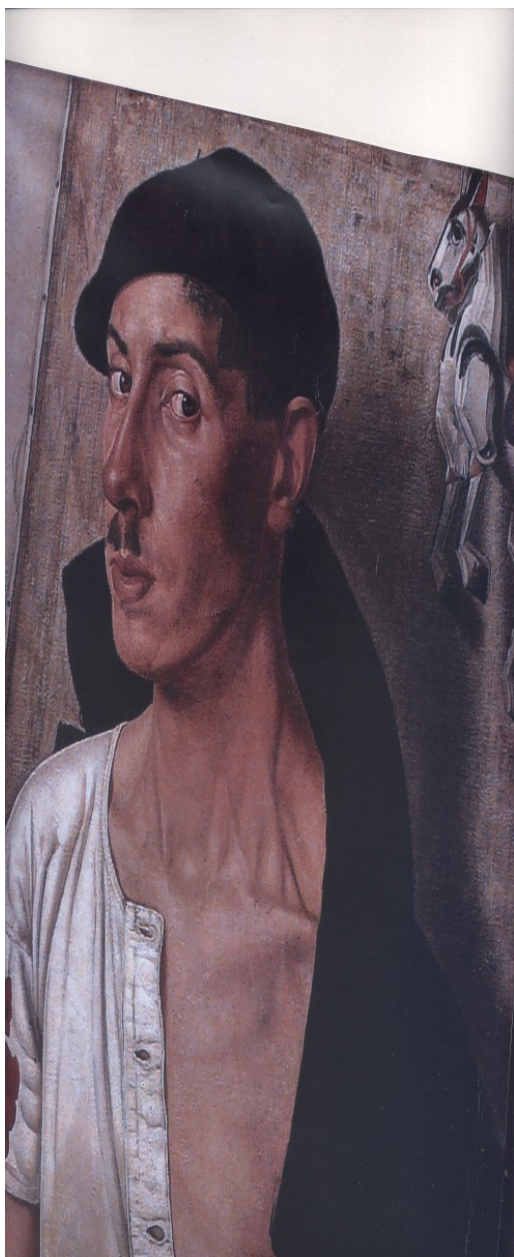
THE **PLAYER**



LOKOS **AND** LOGOS: EVERYTHING WILL BE OKAY IN THE END, IS IT'S NOT OKAY, IT'S NOT THE END



SELF-PORTRAIT WITH RED GERANIUM



SELF-PORTRAIT SITTING



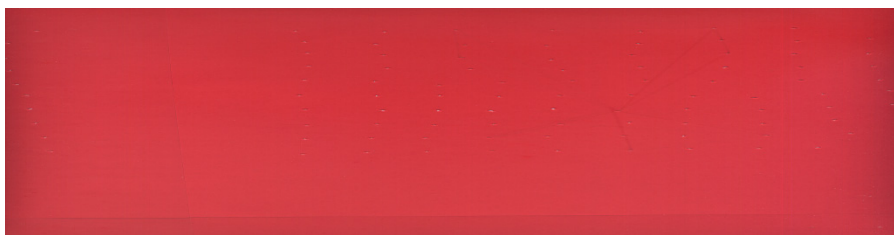
DREAD THE DREAM



THE FOOTPRINT AND THE SPROUT



COUNTERING THE **BALANCE**



THE EVIDENCE **OF** THE EVIDENCE



INVISIBILITY OF VISIBLE



THE MIRROR IS THE UNWISHABLE BRIGHTNESS OF THE ACT



PIANOCORTE [PIANO WITH SHORT SKIRT]

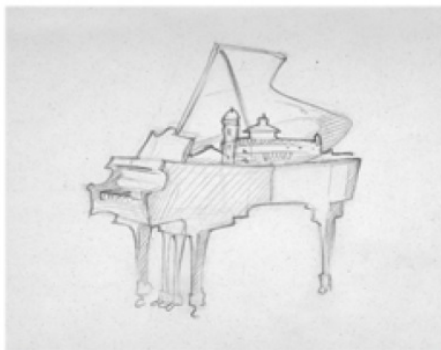
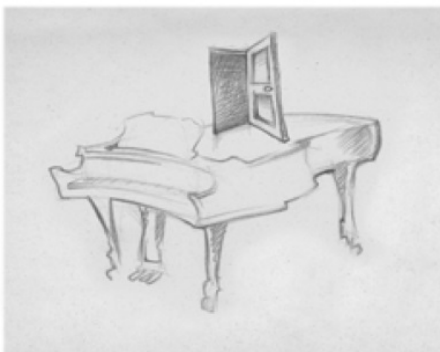
PIANOORTE [PIANO WITH ORTE, TOWN IN ITALY, NEAR ROME]

PIANOMORTE [PIANO WITH DEATH]

PIANOORTE [PIANO WITH DOOR]

PIANOSORTE [PIANO WITH PLAYING CARDS]

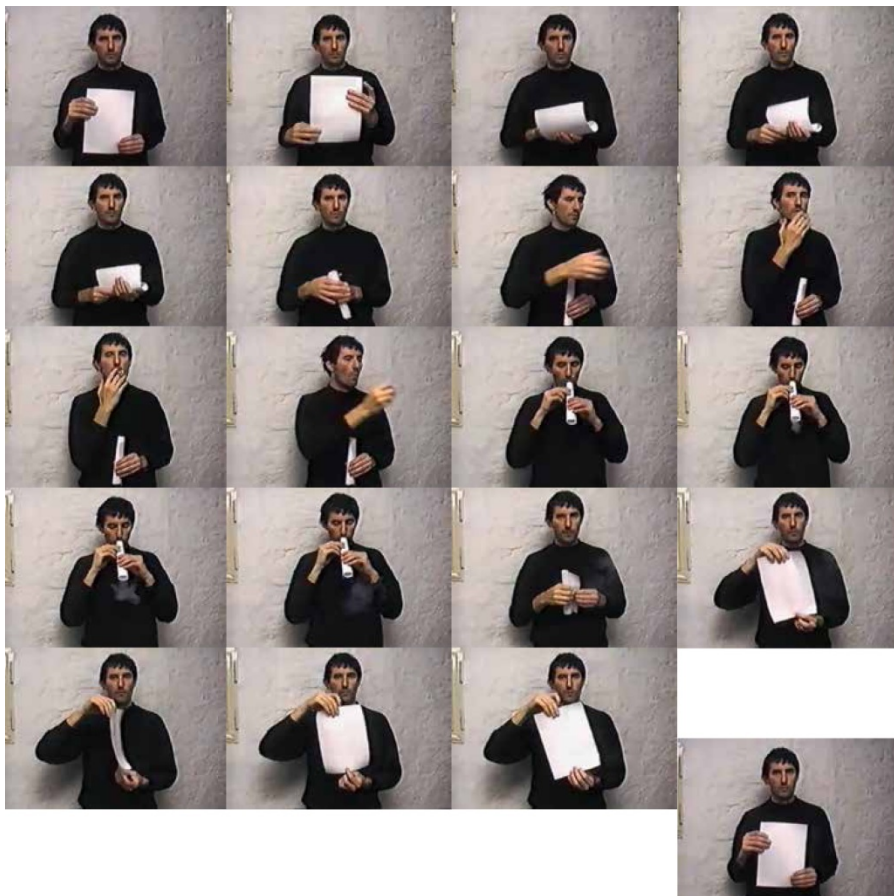
PIANOTORTE [PIANO WITH CAKES]



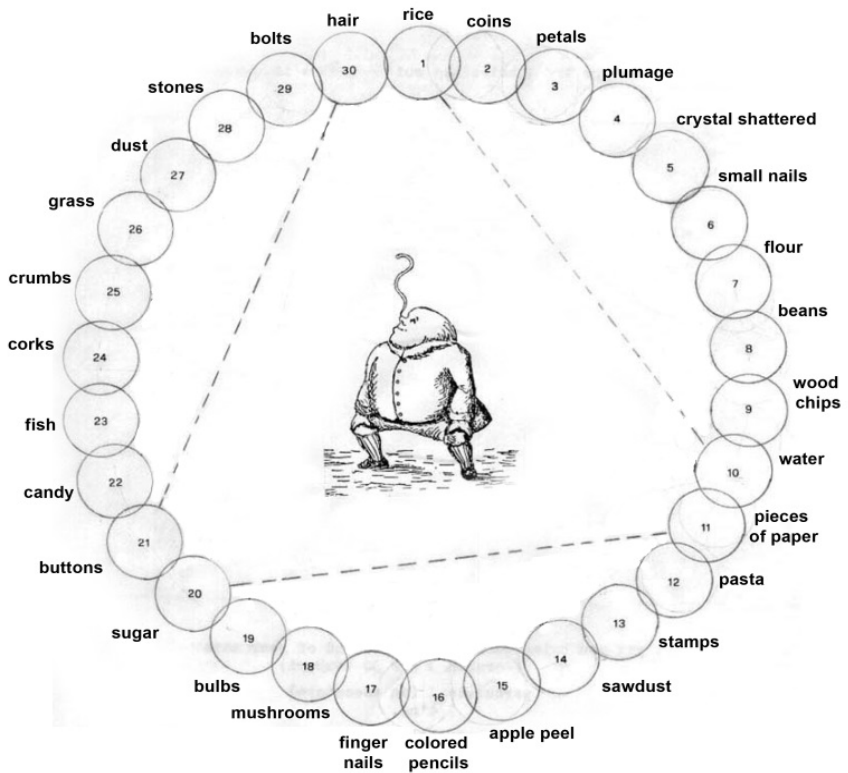
LET I THERE; LEADEN, **PATIOR**, LAUGHTER



PRINT OF SMOKE



JUGGLER; YET YOU BALANCED AN EEL ON THE **END** OF YOUR NOSE



TURN



DEMONSTRATION OF IRRESOLUTION; THE **LIFE** OF THE ANIMALS



SAILORS IN ABEYANCE



Save that—the sloop’s keel spoiled by the morn of sighs—wherever they could forget the tenuity of a sinister breeze; save that the night had been a guidance for them, and the pillow assigned but malignant subterfuges, sighs, insignificancies, a little less, at least forgotten; as soon as their useless physiognomy would not desist from wedging through a tepidity of sapid inattention, through a threadlike quietness, trying to cherish the foaminess of the waves. Unfortunately—in that bitterness, in those rowboats—they were not less teeming with the breaths that had drawn them adrift, disinherited of those inlets that reforested ethereal pits through passages and spells to a faithful languidness; nor did they less descry—in the vacuous pulleys that retraversed frictions onto frictions—the sleepy crags of others’ trance, musty oars of sweats and languors, in the marshes of subtended shadows, which once adorned them with branches and pestilence, to defense, to offense; nor did they less descry—in those very hulls, as a raft forgets to draft a refrain to whet the regurgigations from the stems—the swimmers of the ingenious armillas whose bruises they collected; or the devourers, perchance greedy of those exhaustive rinsings whose dark resources they kept in tunnels, despite the fact that the selfmoving physiognomy of abeyance—which covers the views of slimy ditches—narrates their forays and the outrages of viscosity; even of the precipice that urges them on to an unrowable loop, unfortunately, they remember but a very tedious tribulation.

CHEESE **AND** ONION



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- 1976 – Segno & Poesia (with F. Cerioli and D. Cappelli), Centro Culturale S. Agostino, Museo Civico, Crema
- 1981 – Das innere des Ohrs entzünden (personal exhibition), Exo-Galerie, Berlin
- 1981 – Are you experienced?, curated by Guy Bleus (with others), Vrije Universiteit, Brussels
- 1982 – Feszék Galéria, curated by György Galántai (with others), Museum of Artpool, Budapest
- 1982 – Nowhere-Now here (personal exhibition), piazza Duomo, Milano
- 1982 – XIV Biennale di São Paulo (with others), Brasil
- 1982 – Figura/Partitura, curated by Giovanni Fontana (with others), Lecce-Salerno-Roma-Bergamo
- 1982 – Poesia Experimental Ara, curated by Bartolomé Ferrando (with J. Blaine, M. Butor, J. Hidalgo, A. Spatola and others), Sala Parpalló, Valencia
- 1982 – World Art Atlas, curated by Guy Bleus (with others), Warande, Turnhout
- 1983 – Visioni Violazioni Vivisezioni, curated by Enzo Minarelli (with others), Ferrara
- 1984 – Schedi Galery (with others), Thessaloniki
- 1984 – Aerogrammes, curated by Guy Bleus (with others), Stedelijk Museum, Tienen
- 1989 – Galleria Multimedia (personal exhibition), Brescia
- 1989 – Contoterzi, curated by Elisabetta Longari (with P. Almeoni, M. Airò, D. Kozaris, L. Moro, L. Quartana and others), Soncino
- 1989 – Studio Leonardi, curated by Chiara Guidi (personal exhibition), Genova
- 1990 – Pianofortissimo, curated by Gino Di Maggio (with Arman, J. Cage, G. Cardini, D. Lombardi, N. J. Paik, D. Spoerri, B. Vautier, W. Vostell and others), Fondazione Mudima, Milano
- 1990 – Galleria Fluxia (personal exhibition), Chiavari
- 1990 – Improvvisazione libera, curated by Giuseppe Chiari (with M. Cattelan, T. Tozzi, L. Di Lallo and others), Museo Pecci, Prato
- 1991 – Scuola d'obbligo/Compulsory Education, Fuori Uso, curated by Achille Bonito Oliva (with A. Boetti, W. Burroughs, J. L. Byars, E. Cucchi, M. Knizak, Y. Ono, N. J. Paik, V. Pisani, M. Schifano, W. Vostell and others), Pescara
- 1991 – Milano Poesia, curated by Gianni Sassi (with S. Lacy, Zev, U. Block, D. Prigov, P. Vangelisti, L. Ballerini and others), Milano
- 1992 – Vanna Casati curated by Tiziano Ogliari (personal exhibition), Bergamo
- 1993 – Uno per uno, for Biennale di Venezia, curated by Rosanna Chiessi and Roberto Melchiori (with C. Ciervo, F. Garbelli, A. Thomas, A. Zappalorto), Castelfranco Veneto
- 1993 – Omaggio a Joe Jones (with W. Marchetti, D. Mosconi, W. Vostell), Fondazione Mudima, Milano
- 1994 – Lo stato del dove/The Condition of Where (personal exhibition), Fondazione Mudima, Milano
- 1997 – Galleria Graffio, curated by Andeo Radovan (personal exhibition), Bologna
- 1997 – Progetto Oreste, curated by Mario Pieroni (with S. Falci, E. Fantin, E. Marisaldi, G. Norese, C. Pietroiusti, A. Radovan, N. Teodori, L. Vitone and others) Paliano, Frosinone
- 1998 – Galleria Zone, curated by Andeo Radovan (personal exhibition), Bologna
- 2006 – Bau 2 (with V. Baroni, J. Blaine, G. Broni, D. Poletti, W. Xerra and others), Palazzo delle Papesse, Siena
- 2006 – 7th International Performance Art Festival, curated by Nicola Frangione (with J. Giorgio, B. Ferrando, T. Kemeny, P. Albani), Monza
- 2009 – The Second James Joyce Graduate Conference, Musical adaptations of Finnegans Wake, Università Roma3, Roma
- 2013 – “Parabol(iche) dell’ultimo giorno - Per Emilio Villa”, Edizioni Le Voci della Luna (with Dome Bulfaro, Tiziana Cera Rosco, Martina Campi, Mario Sboarina, Gian Paolo Guerini, Jacopo Ninni, Enzo Campi), Poesiafestival13 – Unione Terre di Castelli, Biblioteca Comunale di Castelfranco Emilia (MO)
- 2013 – Titoli possibili Rischiare / Azzardare / Azzardi o qualcosa del genere..., curated by Gino Gianuzzi (with Aurelio Andrighetto, Gino Gianuzzi, Elio Grazioli, Horatio Goni, Nazzareno Guglielmi, Antheo Radovan, Riccardo Sinigaglia, Antonio Tola), Casabianca, Zola Predosa (BO)
- 2015 – Casabianca/Disseminazione, curated by Antheo Radovan (with Gino Gianuzzi and others), Zola Predosa (BO)

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