

Jimmie Durham

Particle / Word Theory

2020

104 pages, 12 b/w images, 21.5 × 14 cm, stitched, softcover
Wiens Verlag, Berlin & Edition Hansjörg Mayer, London 2020

Special edition:

Original drawing on paper, graphite and / or ink, 29.7 × 21 cm
Signed & dated on the back, framed (34 × 25.5 × 3 cm)
The framed drawing and the poetry book are presented
in a custom-made cardboard box
Edition of 12 copies

Jimmie Durham reading excerpts from the book
(November 1, 2020): <https://vimeo.com/475042395>

Particle/Word Theory is Jimmie Durham's third poetry book after *Columbus Day* (Albuquerque 1983) and *Poems That Do Not Go Together* (Berlin, London 2012).

The book contains thirty-eight poems, written between 2014 and 2019 and twelve drawings. Durham's sculptures as well as his texts are made out of fragments, they are a lifelong statement against monumentality. Durham observes nature, thinks about the try to categorize and name nature and he reflects about unspectacular, daily behaviour of animals and humans - himself included. In his new poems he cites also scientific studies, articles about brain and pain research - all this stands next to his own pain experience. It underlines a provocative sentence he wrote in 1998: „Art and science are the same thing“.

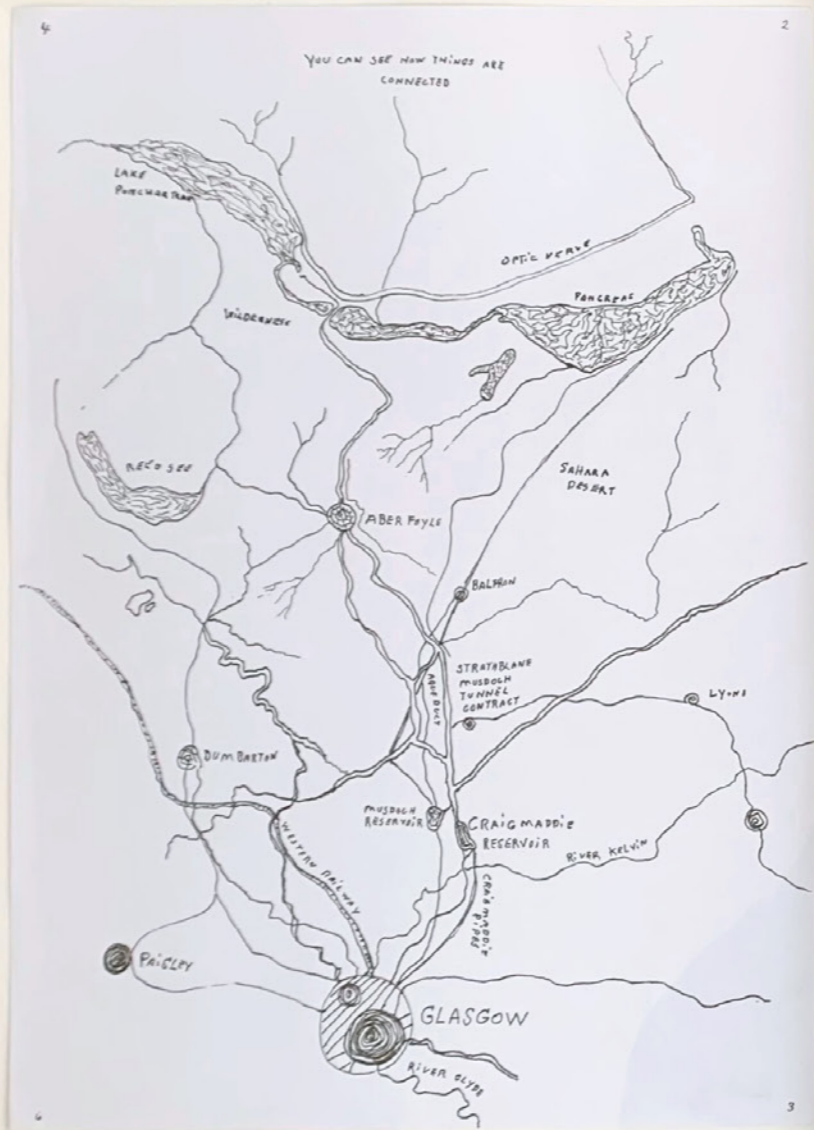
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AFTER MY SURGERY

It all began with high blood pressure
I suppose.

The doctor gave me some pills
but global warming continued to rise.

Then after my surgery a severe depression
and panic in global markets.

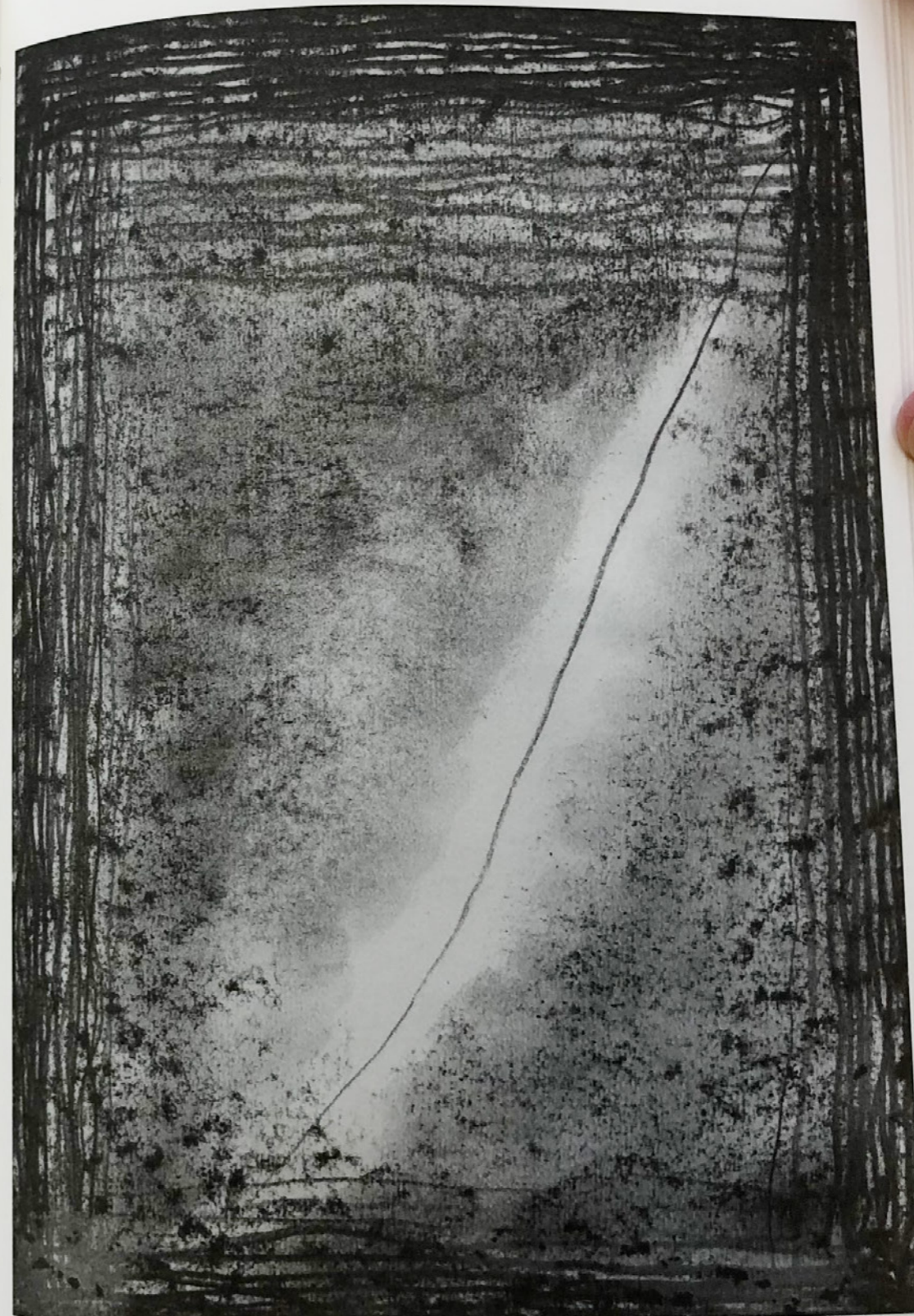
During the radiation therapy for cancer
several nations invaded Iraq again.

After my stroke my computer broke
and Afghanistan was once again broken.

In Calabria my shoulder broke
An epileptic seizure brought on another stroke.
Or maybe the stroke made an epileptic seizure
And I broke my hip and shoulder.

So many countries in Central Africa
Began to shatter.
Syria and Turkey
Had another matter broken.

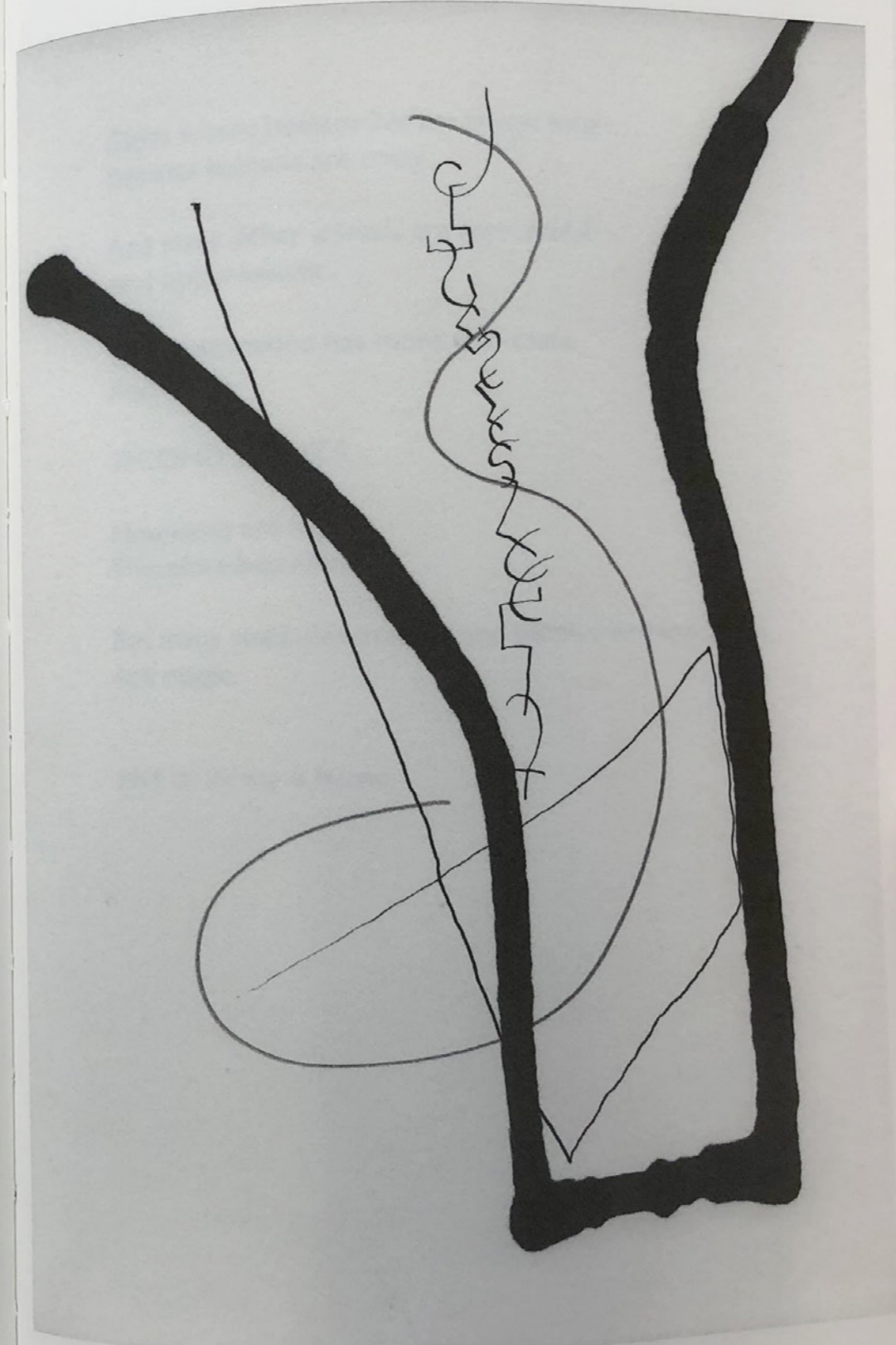
October 29, 2014
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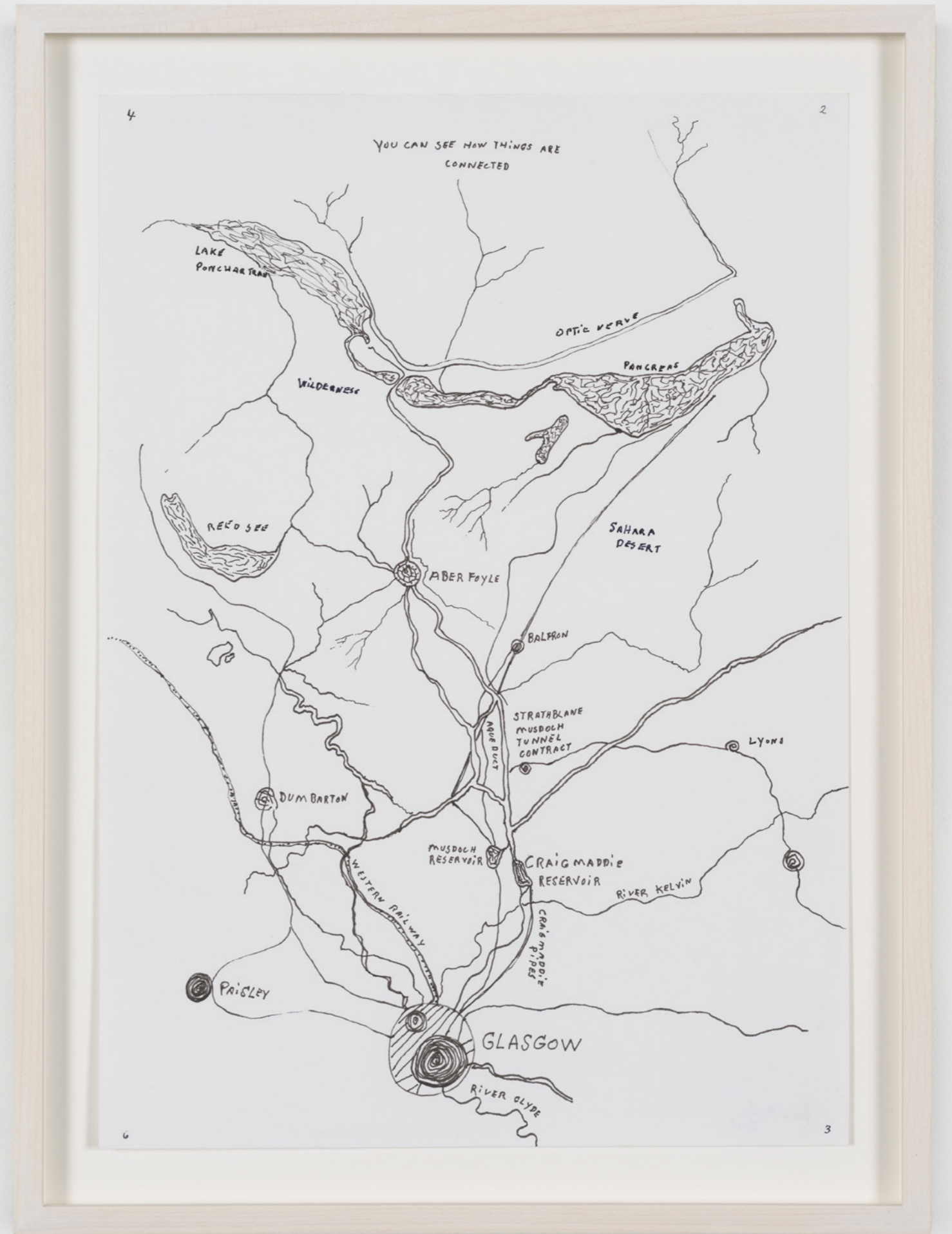


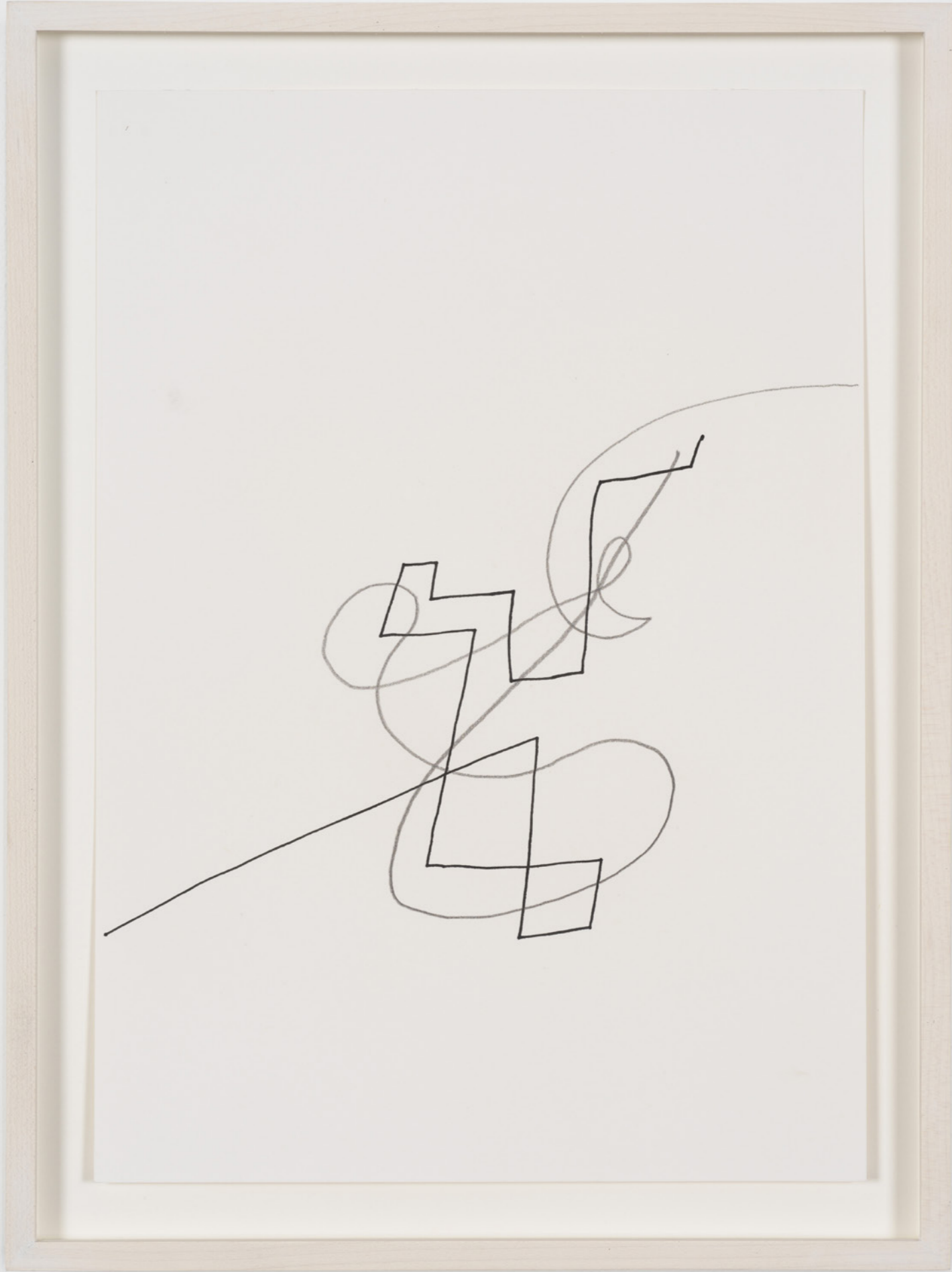
12 drawings of the special edition

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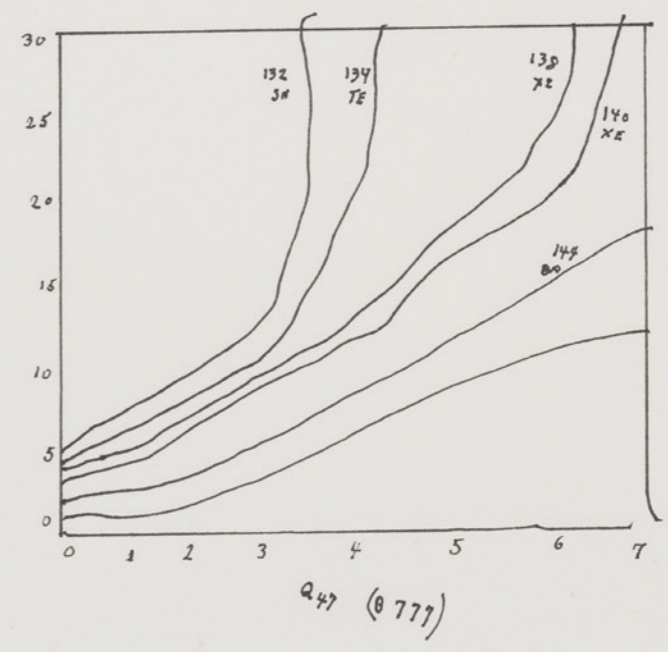
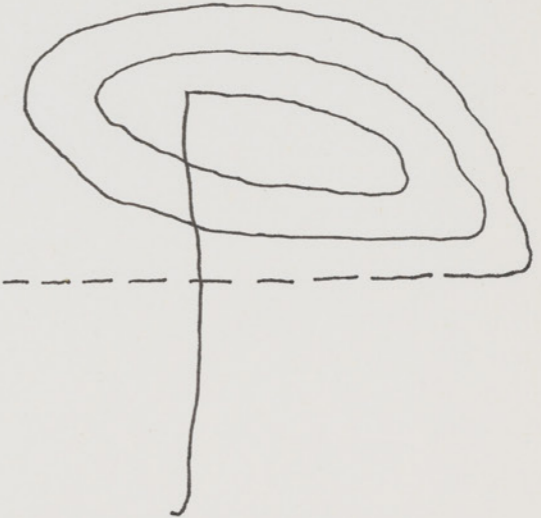


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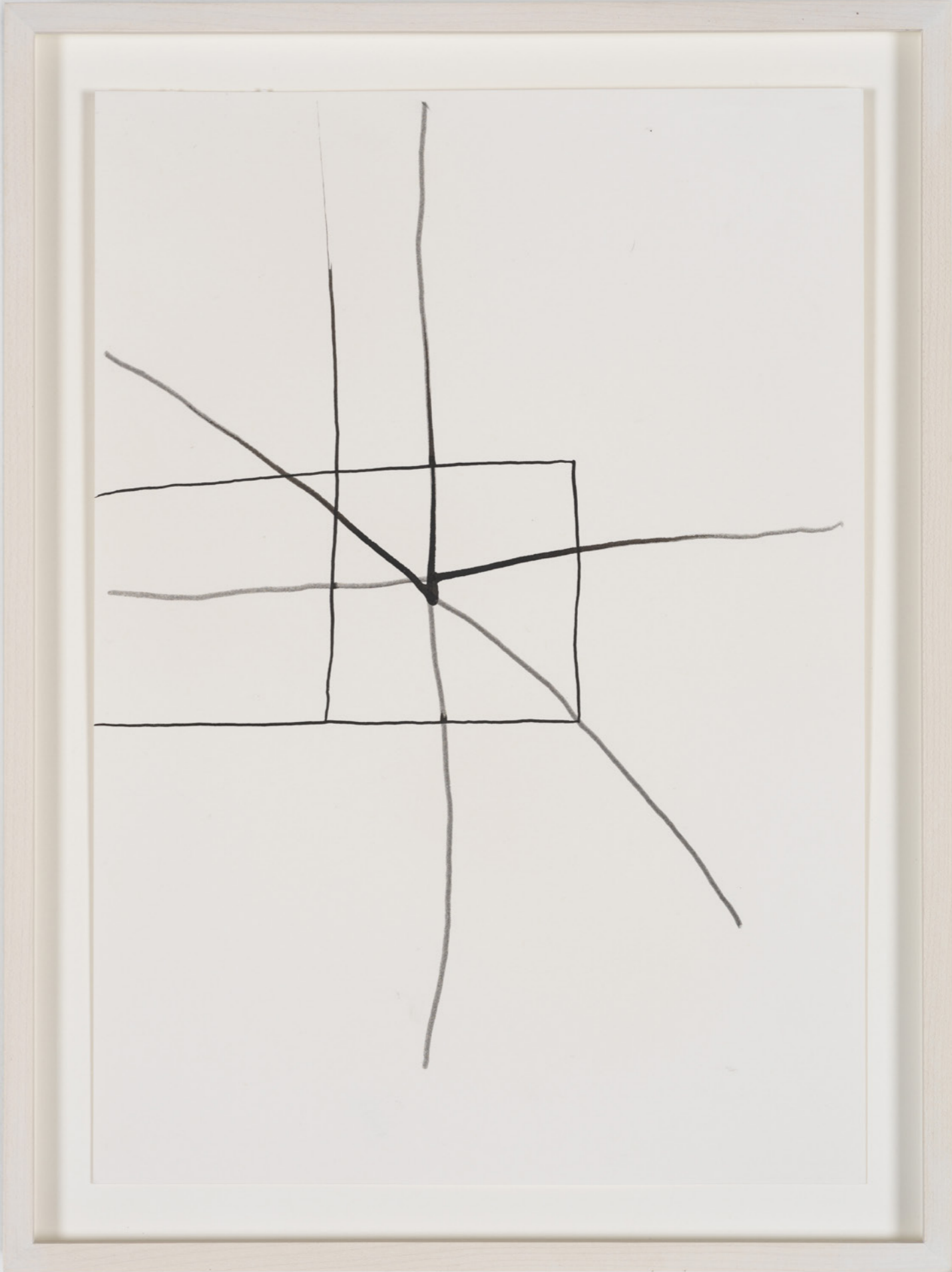




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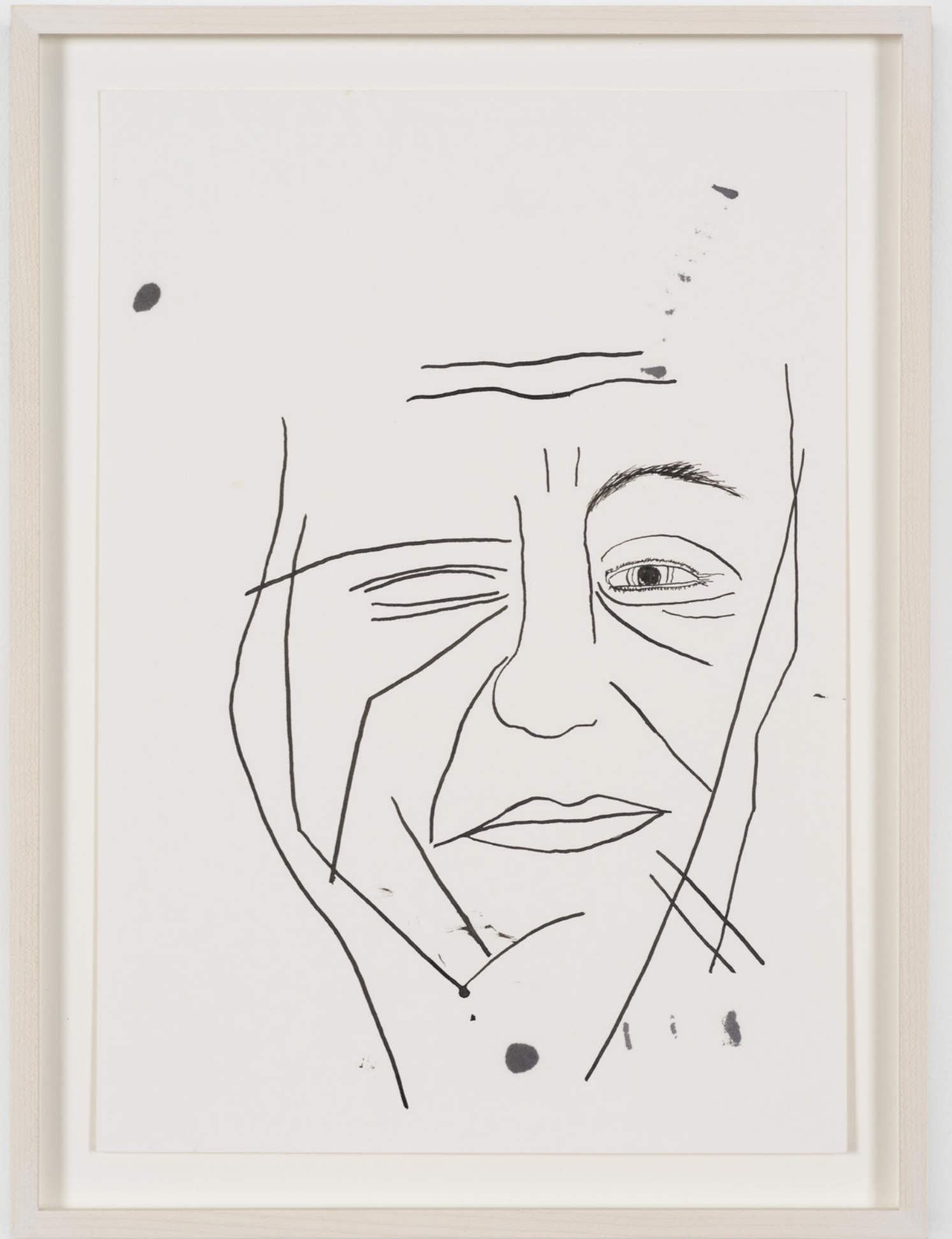


8th Topical Workshop on Proton-Antiproton Collider Physics





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