

**LIFT OFF**

“This is the take off point for some great stuff.”  
“This is the graveyard of creativity.”  
“Do you think that you qualify?”  
“Drop off a resume.”  
“Put yourself together.”  
“I like the number.”  
“Where did it end up?”  
“I died on the vine.”  
“Who is helping out?”  
“You are the only person, who could care. The only one who does care.”  
“Why do we start off here?”  
“This could be a million things.”  
“I want it to be one good one.”  
“That guy will never help.”  
“We need to go back to our seats.”  
“It is clearly all over.”  
“You said that there was investment capital.”  
“It is not that kind of launch.”  
“It is all casual.”  
“Why should I bother?”  
“We started with a level of self-confidence.”  
“I am trying to explain why this is a valuable forum.”  
“There is not much difference.”  
“These are supposed to be reasons for expanding our horizons.”  
“A seminar.”  
“What keep me hanging on?”  
“You are going to need an idea.”  
“Out of my way.”  
“This might be a good time to leave.”  
“Or a good time to go.”  
“What did you eat?”  
“What was the cause?”  
“I got hit.”  
“Call early.”  
“Anything will do.”  
“I am getting desperate.”  
“When habits work to create a vision, that could be called a culture.”  
“Why call it anything?”  
“You want something cohesive. You want it to be so much more than one good day.”  
“Why is that necessary?”  
“Crank that!”

“Will that be sufficient.”  
“This is what we have left.”  
“We have this for you.”  
“I want this clean.”  
“It will be.”  
“Who is going to come out of character?”  
“What is the hope?”  
“That these clothes can reflect a deeper awareness.”  
“What is that about?”  
“You have to spend so much money to spend money. And what is the point?”  
“Eat the Twinkie.”  
“I am looking for another stimulus.”  
“An action move.”  
“We already know what to expect.”  
“Why do you care?”  
“You are running the game.”  
“Only one person really understands.”  
“I want to show you.”  
“Welcome to the office.”  
“Do you want to leave part of yourself?”  
“That is almost too good for me.”  
“What can you add.”  
“This is vision.”  
“Where is the resume?”  
“Forty paces.”  
“I feel sad.”  
“I might have felt worse.”  
“I know who that is.”  
“He is the best.”  
“You gave your life to this.”  
“Catch the ball.”  
“They are locking us out.”  
“There is too much noise.”  
“When did that start?”  
“Boo!”  
“I will catch up.”  
“Why would this ever work?”  
“We feel that culture can motivate social change.”  
“The perfect song.”  
“Give me a remedy.”  
“That is more than everything.”  
“This is more than nothing.”  
“This will take a lot of planning.”

“Do I need to keep looking.”  
 “Who gets the nod?”  
 “I saw this as a platform to share my art.”  
 “What do you mean?”  
 “People could talk to me. I could explain what I was trying to god with my medium.”  
 “Let me clean up.”  
 “These are things that we do. Why would you see it as any more than that?”  
 “I want to be blessed.”  
 “Go home.”  
 “Where are we headed.”  
 “I wanted people to understand my world.”  
 “Why is this a philosophical question.”  
 “Where does this end?”  
 “In the heart.”  
 “This is a lot more important.”  
 “This was the beginning of an art movement.”  
 “Life is the canvas.”  
 “How does that work?”  
 “I am not that good at what I do.”  
 “But you do it anyway.”  
 “I need to come out of myself.”  
 “I live to be here.”  
 “There is mystery.”  
 “Tell me about the ghosts.”  
 “Those are my inspiration.”  
 “Why does it have to be a mystery?”  
 “Time evolved to a perfect moment.”  
 “And you stepped forward.”  
 “I am costuming the moment.”  
 “You are making my life better.”  
 “I am afraid that everything is getting out of control. There is so much more pageantry.  
 And so much less actual application.”  
 “The machines do the rest.”  
 “I do not know that much math.”  
 “Should I?”  
 “This is all about acceptance.”  
 “This is a contest.”  
 “No one doing anything.”  
 “And it produces something.”  
 “I thought that it would pay.”  
 “We are taking longer than anything.”  
 “This is the moment that I say that it is all fucked.”  
 “We are going to the next level of mediocrity.”

“More skill, but zero originality.”:  
“Who are you to say?”  
“He smashed me in the face.”  
“We are getting you out of here.”  
“So much is going on.”  
“Because nothing is going on.”  
“What is this about?”  
“Watching our lives receded into the darkness.”  
“Or into the glare of day.”  
“I imagine that you can bang a drum.”  
“I could make it work.”  
“There is so much that will never work.”  
“You already developed a method.”  
“And where does all the trash go?”  
“I have no idea.”  
“What is the method here?”  
“What is the method?”  
“You get so far out there. So totally fucked up. So beyond redemption. You die, and come back to life, and you are still the same motherfucking cur.”  
“What happens after that?”  
“Redemption.”  
“Then the real shit comes out.”  
“You cannot try this case twice.”  
“I can smell it.”  
“Who is the lawyer?”  
“Pro se.”  
“Shit.”  
“That will not turn out well.”  
“This is the day to get it all done.”  
“I want to be a winner.”  
“So much for a platform for change.”  
“I savor the Twinkie.”  
“What else is there to feeling good?”  
“I only need to find the source.”  
“The arc.”  
“Do not get any closer!”  
“The music is off.”  
“I did this.”:  
“Nothing has been done.”  
“Why do you want to leave now?”  
“Nothing more can happen.”  
“Where is this headed?”  
“Why will things get easier?”

“Gator, I thought that you had this down.”  
“I am not a gator.”  
“What team are you?”  
“I am the doctor.”  
“And you operate without a license.”  
“Always the same story.”  
“Is that a definition of illness.”  
“Do not love me.”  
“Do not hate me.”  
“This will be difficult for you.”  
“The bad shit is coming.”  
“You needed to make clearer how you going to do this.”  
“We will need other kinds of instruction.”  
“That does not work.”  
“It once worked.”  
“What are you on?”  
“Can you do one thing on your own?”  
“I am trying to advance my art.”  
“They all went away.”  
“You chased me away.”  
“Why is that any good?”  
“Why are we hearing this?”  
“There is only sadness.”  
“Sad.”  
“I am waiting for the pefect moment.”  
“We all are.”  
“Have a hot dog.”  
“I thought that I recognizes what you could do for me.”  
“Play what is in my mind.”  
“You are more impressed than I am.”  
“You do a whole lot of this.”  
“I have one goal.”  
“I am worried about this.”  
“I am a true winner.”  
“The rules have changed.”  
“You pushed me out of your life.”  
“What is really going on?”  
“What do you have in there?”  
“The cure.”  
“With so much time spent on planning, why do you fail to follow through.”  
“Lack of leadership.”  
“What is going on in here.”  
“It is your chance.”

“Your name is being called.”  
“Where is she?”  
“What do you think?”  
“That is too much to take.”  
“Take it for what it is.”  
“I am looking at an idea.”  
“Something that will dance into the night.”  
“I am here for you.”  
“All the way.”  
“What do you call the gang?”  
“This is going to be more than that.”  
“You toned it down.”  
“And that is that.”  
“Why here?”  
“This is supposed to be the site for some kind of exciting change.”  
“How is that?”  
“I can be myself.”  
“What is that?”  
“A consumer.”  
“Less work and more me.”  
“More work and a longer recovery.”  
“That will make me feel as if I am more important.”  
“You have a place in my heart.”  
“You ruined my walk.”  
“What is that?”  
“I want you to watch.”  
“Is that all that we have?”  
“I stopped looking.”  
“Why is that?”  
“Where does it get to me?”  
“It sticks to the ribs.”  
“And you keep on.”  
“I am going to finish this.”  
“You know the only trick.”  
“Why there?”  
“What is really there?”  
“This is a detour for my actual goals.”  
“This is even worse than I could imagine.”  
“Make my night.”  
“Where is this headed?”  
“I can’t keep track.”  
“Nothing to see.”  
“We are all leaving together.”

“A bus!”  
“I am pretending for now.”  
“We all are.”  
“We have bigger plans.”  
“Someone has this all under control.”  
“Where do I find ths shitty wizard.”  
“What is it truly about?”  
“I could stick it out.”  
“There are other goals.”  
“But he is deep in it.”  
“Do not come back for a vsit.”  
“Is this a blood transfusion?”  
“I do not like to lose.”  
“That scene does nothing.”  
“We are not that far away.”  
“Far away.”  
“A stooge for the intelligence services.”  
“Homeland Security.”  
“The shit is here.”  
“That is all that you are good at.”  
“Nothing will change.”  
“You will.”  
“This is supposed to be more than that.”  
“I am exposed to the world.”  
“Come along with me.”  
“And what do you worship.”  
“What have you forgotten?”  
“There is not much else to see.”  
“I am not responsible.”  
“That will not last.”  
“I am forever.”  
“He is the winner.”  
“The only one.”  
“We are all in the same house.”  
“The same bed.”  
“The same fate.”  
“This could have been different.”  
“Could have been.”  
“This is what killed you.”  
“I could use a director.”  
“Move along.”  
“He is better at this.”  
“And he is loved.”

“And he got caught.”  
 “This is all you.”  
 “We come here, and we develop a plan.”  
 “And we are back here.”  
 “And nothing gets done.”  
 “I could take the pictures and make something of them.”  
 “No one gets out clean.”  
 “Finish it now.”  
 “I need it now.”  
 “Do not pretend.”  
 “There is nothing else here.”  
 “I am getting soaked.”  
 “We could go further.”  
 “I cannot.”  
 “This is more than a few Twinkies.”  
 “Get me some Cokes.”  
 “One punch.”  
 “That is hardly fair.”  
 “Where do we start?”  
 “More training. A vision.”  
 “What do you expect for yourself?”  
 “Something no one should have to go through.”  
 “Don’t worry about a program. Just go with your desires.”  
 “Who really cares?”  
 “I care.”  
 “This is her anonymous plan.”  
 “I want these little things to mean something.”  
 “They might someday.”  
 “I have one wish.”  
 “We can sell things. My picture. My dreams. My principles.”  
 “Always the same sth.”  
 “I can make it easy.”  
 “You will never feel this.”  
 “And you really care.”  
 “And this is more bulls shit.”  
 “I betrayed everything that I believed.”  
 “Everyone does here.”  
 “My picture.”

These were people who already felt an oppositional perspective to the world. They had not developed their gestures. They still has not realized a program. This was supposed to provide the opportunity to explore identity. People could discover different kinds of performance that could provide a greater basis for other changes in the society. These ideas did not exist in a vacuum. And Reunion could provide a suitable dynamic. There would only need to be



important reference points. That would be just enough to get this process going. It could realize a greater promise. There might be questions if this was the suitable location. It would be easy to disappoint.

It was crucial not to let these setbacks cut into the overall cultural development. This was the beginning for something more long lasting. Could ever move beyond minor changes in lifestyle. This could include a different approach to entertainment. Maybe, these beliefs could affect how people thought about work. People would try to gain greater control over processes. They would create key benchmarks for themselves.

These efforts seemed move along an ongoing experience. An observer might observe a more critical attitude. And this could affect more mundane behaviors. Nevertheless, there would often appear to be a lack of planning. Liberated from their conditioning, people could be even more subject to their whims. This could seem like social change. And these behaviors could contrast with other circumstances. Nevertheless, the individual became entrapped in these circumstances. Steps towards personal transformation could result in a greater commitment to the same habits. There would often be no impetus to breaking these patterns.

“I do not want to see myself as a casualty.”

“What does that mean?”

“I feel as if I am in crossfire.”

“Can’t we simply observe?”

“It becomes almost impossible to watch things from the outside.”

“Are you a leader?”

Leadership could drain all resources from the group. Innovation could be all gloss, and it could deprive individuals from exercising more autonomy. The possibility for lasting transformation could result in sustained frustration. The world was not offering the means for escape. People became more caught up in their masquerade.

“I feel it day to day.”

“What do you feel?”

“There are some, who do not want to think about it.”

“I do not want to be reminded of the pain.”

“You get what you want.”

“I know.”

“And I do not know. I am not really part of this shit.”

“Then there are those who savor the rewards.”

“I am not looking to complain.”

“This is a lot of work to lead to exactly the same result.”

I heard that this was the right place for me. Perhaps, I arrived on the wrong night. None of these people seemed to share much in common with me. I was hearing music that I did not like. A few people had t shirts that seemed to say something different to me, But I think a lot of that was for show.

“Where is this headed?”

“Can it make a difference?”

“We can write all the words down.”

“Are you reading them all?”

“I am looking at every one.”

This is more than pure genius.”

“What do you want to know?”

She gave me a list of new bands to listen to. I wanted to give her taste credibility. There was complaint without strong motivation. There were emotions that seemed misguided. Everything seemed bewildered. Anger and frustration substituted for lasting emotions.

“Do you want me to react?”

“Tell me what you think.”

“Get me a drink.”

“I want to respond. I need to understand.”

“Do we share the same level of hilarity?”

“This is the ceiling.”

“Damn.”

“What do I have left?”

“Good days.”

“Think positive.”

“I need to be more selective.”

“Take a credit card and go to town.”

“What town is this?”

“A resort town.”

“A last resort town.”

“Who else is involved?”

“There are moments when I believed that this was all part of a more uniform culture.

This was a form of social rebellion. After a few gestures, people ended up going along with the world. It was all youth rebellion. It is interesting that these gestures remained for adults. But they had not really developed new forms of contestatory culture.”

“You are talking about something that does not exist.”

“You develop your educational skills. This enables advancement. But it also pinpoints the basis for social transformation. This could be the roots of serious problems, that need to be addressed. Such a realization can appear to go to the root of the problem.”

“Twenty guys in a room together.”

“We in a room together ready to call things as they are.”

“This is the beginning of something greater.”

“And that is.”

“I can do this.”

“What are you planning?”

Would a plan offer the basis to address the root of the problem. This was no simply a matter of identifying social challenges. How were individuals empowered in this process? Reunion may have provided an important pretext from this overall movement. It could begin with a rudimentary awareness. That could engage actual gestures on the part of the self. And these actions could be shared as part of an overall program.

“And that is going on here.”

“I wish.”

“What are you hoping for?”

“What do we need that we do not have?”

“A list of demands.”

“A manifesto.”

“Some shots.”

“How is the world running away from me?”

“I have everything that I want.”

“How long do I have your attention?”

“Are you mocking me?”

“You’re not kidding.”

“I have given all my money to this place.”

“Do altered states of consciousness provide the means to isolate key mechanism that determine how people act and how they form their opinions?”

“Are you kidding?”

“Are we coming back to this?”

“I am dreaming.”

“What is the dream?”

“I thought that I knew what was going on.”

“Who is running this show?”

“No one.”

“Going down the hill in a toboggan without a driver.”

“Put on the brakes.”

“What are brakes?”