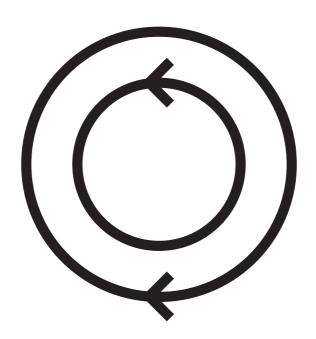
WE GOTTA MAKE MOVES HERE



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OF BODIES IN MOTION

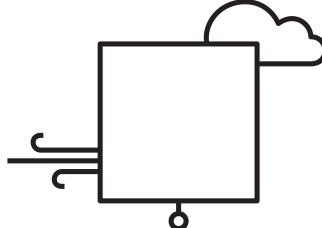


Sometimes I freeze.

Whenever this happens, whenever I waver, temporarily incapable of moving forward, lacking the quality of wandering freely, I return. To the beginning – to Questions Of Travel.

What if clouds cease to rove around?
What if hail retires?
What if wind slows down?
What if snow forgets to fall?
What if thunder remains silent?
What if skies close their windows?

What if, You and I fail to nurture the ability to be rearranged, to be moved?







Possible Scenario: When we solidify, be irresponsive to change, our vital tissues – the foundation of our existence – will likely suffer from inflammatory ailments like severe soreness and inflexibility.

Let's not go there, you and I, to the land of troublesome stiffness, to that grim place where off-roads and spontaneous actions seem perilous and slippery. Let's not narrow down our cruising range, if so, we're likely to stumble upon a future situation where less and less encounters between you and me, between here and elsewhere take place. – Soon, we will estrange from one another and loose the notion of 'otherness'.

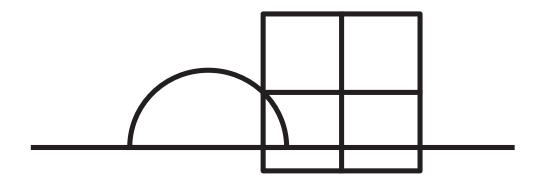
In order to refute this staggering forecast – I don't see a world without you – let's make a vow. Now. Promise me, that you and everyone we know shall never stop stretching and strengthen those delicate tendons and muscles that hold us together: the human condition.

Do you remember Bruce Lee's Warrior Journey? On which he unfolded that the only way not to freeze is to adapt, to be shapeless like water?

Streams keep travelling, travelling -

And do you recall your physics teacher scribbling down Newton's formula on the kinetic energy of rigid bodies, over and over onto the chalkboard until it glued into the system? Let's not forget Isaac's basic principles on the power of objects in motion.

Especially in the midst of chaos, in the midst of a standstill, movement skills matter more than ever. - As long as you and I find eclectic ways, carefully paved with endurance, generosity and wit, to open up those windowpanes, we will have room for one more folded sunset; still quite warm.



LISTENING SUGGESTIONS FOR SOUNDWALKS

Focus

- on singular elements
- on loosing focus; dive into simultaneity

Listen to opposites

- close and far
- high and low
- loud and soft
- short and long

Listen to the '4Ds'

- directions
- distances
- dB (volume/amplitude)
- duration

Listen to sounds

- you make yourself
- the others make
- that are always there
- events, that pop up
- you don't recognize

Listen to qualities

- constant noises
 (like the ever-present drone of white, brown, pink noises, ventilators, roars of far away cars)
- impulsive noises (things falling, explosions)
- own-time noises
- cracks
- metal, wood, glass...
- human, natural, mechanical

Listen to spaces

- big reflections (big walls, garages, small streets)
- small reflections (micro situations, ornaments on buildings, passing a tree)
- resonances (vibrations underground)
- topography

Listen to form, dramaturgy

- layers
- transitions of spaces (street corners)
- cross-fades, fade-ins, fade-outs
- climaxes, calm phases
- endings and beginnings

Listen to movements

- of sounds and sound sources
- of you, the listener
- of both, the sound and you
- of none

Listen to self-manipulations

- hands on ears (closing, filtering, reflecting)
- walking close to objects (walls, bus stops)
- hum softly along drones and other noises
- touch sound sources, or bodies of resonance

Listen to cars

 their differences, their similarities

After the walk

Think about the form of the entire walk: think quickly through the dramaturgy of atmospheres and events, as if it was a long piece of music.

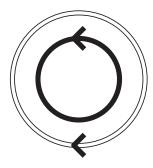
Pick from your memory three distinguishable sonic images/soundscapes from the walk, name them 1, 2 and 3. Now, recapitulate them in alternating order, like: 1 - 2 - 3, 2 - 1 - 3, 3 - 1 - 2...

PUSHING AGAINST ARCHITECTURE

Creep along the city wall, stop to embrace walls, railings and fencing. Use pressure points on your body to contour surfaces.

ROUNDABOUT

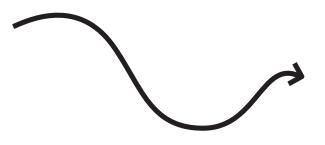
CASUAL WALK



Go to the nearest roundabout.

Preferably one with a sculpture.

Walk circles around the middle, in the opposite direction of the cars.



Stretch, expand, and roll your feet as you would before yoga or a grand departure.

Walk at a casual pace so as to most effortlessly enjoy the day's responsibilities and surprises.

RECONSTRUCTED TRACKS

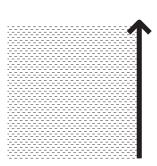
PANNING GAZE



Draw a heptagon on the floor with every side a different length.
7 participants individually walk the 7 sides.
Each person should walk one side from start to finish in 6 minutes.

Start Simultaneously

Direction Counterclockwise



Set
A lively square in the middle of the city.
On each side of the square people are sitting on packed terraces, having a drink.
They are facing the square.

Walk in a straight line along the curb with the chairs positioned to your right. Turn your head to your right. Walk the straight line at a fast pace.

Consider the packed terrace as a movie set. Think of your eyes as a panning camera.

Walk 4
Proposed by Ingrid Greijn

Walk 5
Proposed by Kay Schuttel

THE HUMAN CHAIN

PAIR UP





Assemble in a chain holding hands.
The group then follows the guide,
moving as one chain, for 10 minutes
without leaving each others hand.

Walk in pairs behind each other and follow the guide.

PERPENDICULAR

MIMICRY WALK





Stand on a street together in a line from wall to wall. Create an obstructing line blocking the traffic at a 90 degree angle to the street.

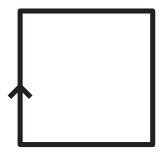
As a group, count to 3 and then start walking. Try to establish a collective rhythm to the end of the street or until the line falls apart.

Walk one metre behind an unknown person and try to imitate his or her walking.

Try to get into his or her walking rhythm.
Give special attention to the position
of the feet, hips, arms and head.
Feel how it is to be the other person.

DISSOLVING LINES

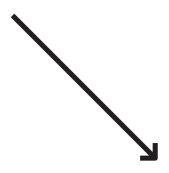




This is a walk for a minimum of 5 Participants.

Walk the outline of an imagined square, 5x5 meters. Walk precisely and gradually accelerate your pace. After some time, walk the diagonals of the square. Once this is established walk the form of an 8. Narrow the 8 after each circuit. Spontaneously start walking back and forth within the square as if crossing a street.

Enjoy the sudden chaos.



Plot two points on a map.
Attempt to walk a straight line
between those points, negotiating
environmental obstacles and
social interactions.

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