

A Note from our Director, Àlex Gómez-Marín

Profound ideas whose time has not yet come
Thoughts without a thinker await incarnation
The magic of the moment seems imminent.
If only some words would become flesh
But they don't.

Sages through the ages have nurtured the soil,
Sowing without certainty of reaping
But, certain it is within reach,
Have firmly held onto their vision.
Hallowed be this flame.

Hands, heads, hearts change
As older generations pass the baton
Sometimes dropping it, or bending it (as they should).
The younger ones shake hands
And heads and hearts, once more
Holding the vision tightly.

But now, what?
And then, why?
If so, how?

Science has lost its temper and banished its soul,
Culture has become a mindless kind of cult,
The 'new age' has grown old...
New paradigms always near
But never really made real here.

Projecting our solutions to problems (not?) our own,
Part of the solution brings the problem back home.

Why don't we just ask?
And listen
In dialogue,
As we speak,
Our voice is better heard in silence.



Perhaps invoking Pari's patron saint,
Saint Blaise
For throat blessings,
Protecting what we say
And also what we keep for ourselves,
Without forgetting or lying.

We are onto something,
And something's onto us.
Is the shaman's wound a sham?
Is poetic prose a rant?

Hermeneutics of suspicion
Lost ecologies of trust
The end of conversation
Theory and practice lost in lust

Preaching but not reaching
Another sage is on the stage
Without being strategic
Things ain't gonna change

Human beings (some humane)
Love is the cosmic trade
Agreement overrating
Love (your neighbor as) yourself

Spiritual awakenings
Mundane scrimmaging
Existential dilemmas
A time for reckoning

A pilgrimage to Pari,
Zoomingly or in the flesh.
Savants' horizon in a medieval landscape,
A concrete physical place, endangered,
In the era of limitless virtual space,
Where guests become hosts,
And hosts switch roles again,
And play, and drink, and dance, and weep.

The Future Human is at stake,
Bootstrapping our fate,
Enlarging our kinship,
Fostering the dignity of the spirit,
Celebrating scientific savoir-faire.

The implicate order winks to manifest,
The explicate, in turn, humbly submerges
It's the dance of eternity,
Learning to unlearn,
A longing for belonging,
The hour is... now.
Perhaps,
For sure.

A large iceberg is shown floating in a dark blue sea. The top part of the iceberg, which is visible above the water, is relatively small and smooth. The bottom part, which is submerged, is much larger and has a complex, jagged, and textured surface, illustrating the concept of hidden depths or perspectives.

Pari Perspectives

"The future has an ancient heart"
CARLO LEVI

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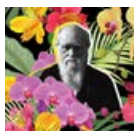
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