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FEAR, LOSS & DESIRE
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NEIL YESZIN never put down his camera, although he tried, trying on different hats, houses, landscapes, leaving his Leicas in a drawer for years while he played barista, under-the-radar grower, custom-rug importer and designer, guerilla builder, collector and curator—but photos and photography were never far, never forgotten. Neil never got to publish the book he had in mind. He had the title, *Memories of Mao, Fear, Loss & Desire*. He had the images, boxes and boxes of them. He ran out of time. Cancer said no. His friends said yes.

Here it is!

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Neil Yeszin in North Beach, photo Edgar Boyles

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Casa Neil, Camino Dos Perros, Santa Fe

Who was Neil? Neil was our crazy buddy, predictably unpredictable, stubborn, annoying, creative, quirky, and generous, appearing and disappearing across the years, making memories together across the years, but not really memories of Mao, although that was the title of a book we always talked about, never too seriously, no, just “Hold the Mao!” And why not? Hold it, hold onto whatever was there, whatever was left after Neil left, wool beret with a red star, turtleneck pulled up over his chin, toasted bagel and a perfect brown cup of cappuccino every morning, photos on the wall, more photos in glassine envelopes, fiber mailing boxes, oak flat-file full of treasures, black cigar-box collages, Leicas long gone, gifts given and received, and these photos, this book waiting to happen, waiting to be shared.

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Hold high the banner of
Mao Tsetung's immortal
contributions and the
achievements and
lessons of the
Cultural Revolution



Mao Tsetung was the greatest revolutionary of our time. People all over the world remember him with deepest respect, hold him in highest regard, and love him from the bottom of their hearts.

The Revolutionary Communist Party announces Memorial Meetings to be held this fall. Information or contributions: Mao Tsetung Memorial Committee, c/o RCP, Box 3488, Chicago, 60654

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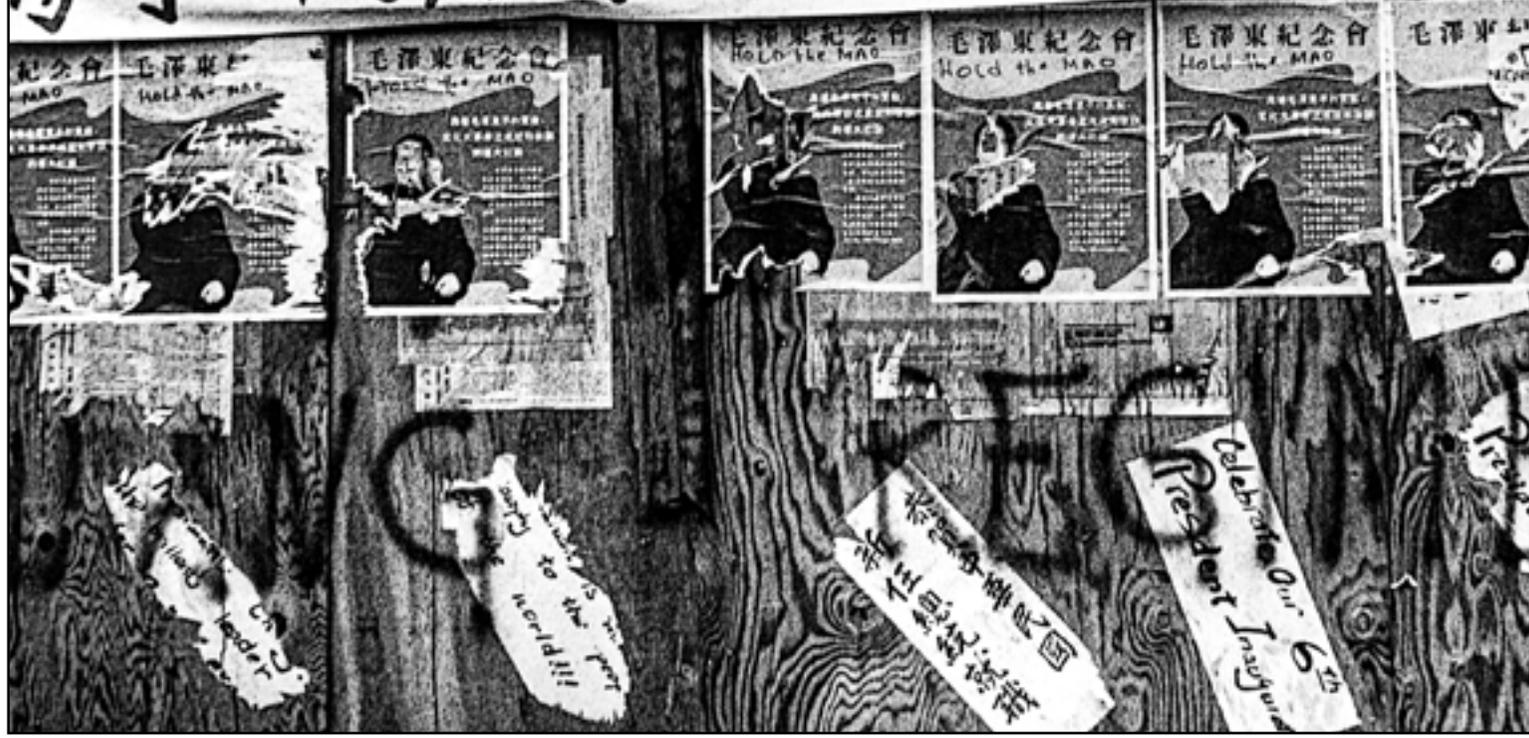
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我們決不在在街
而讓有錢佬住在豪
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The San Francisco Art Institute where Neil studied photography, photo Edgar Boyles



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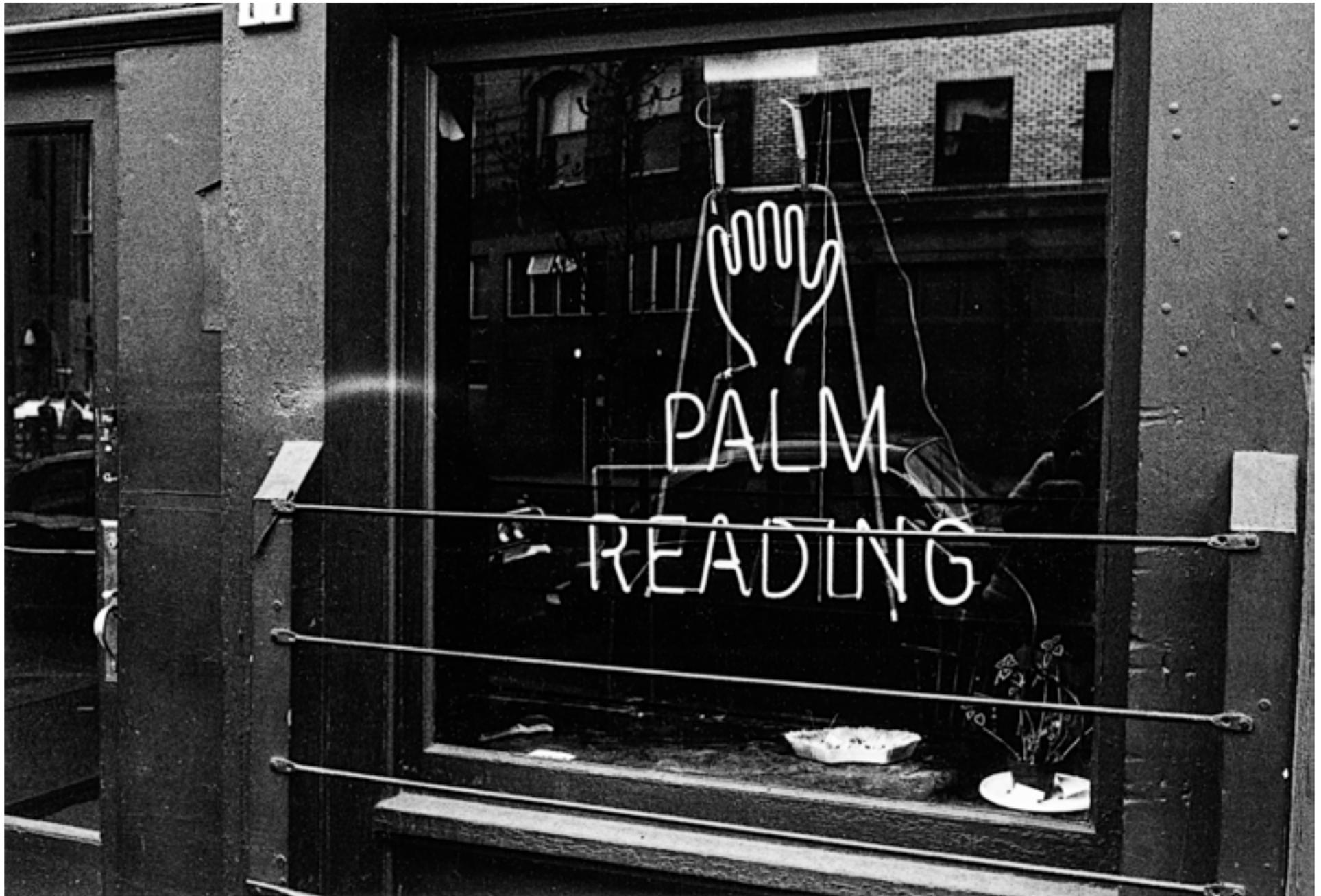
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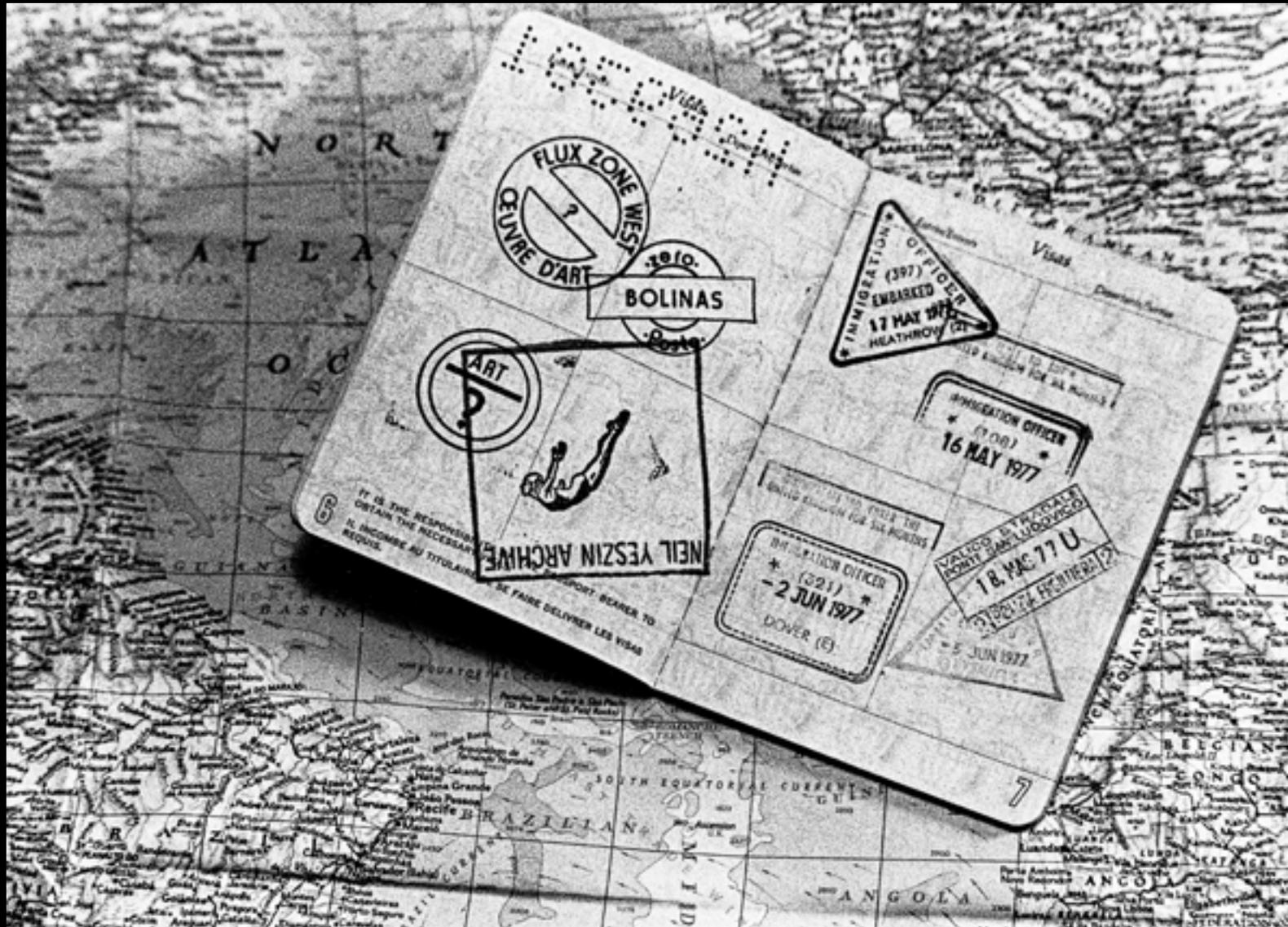








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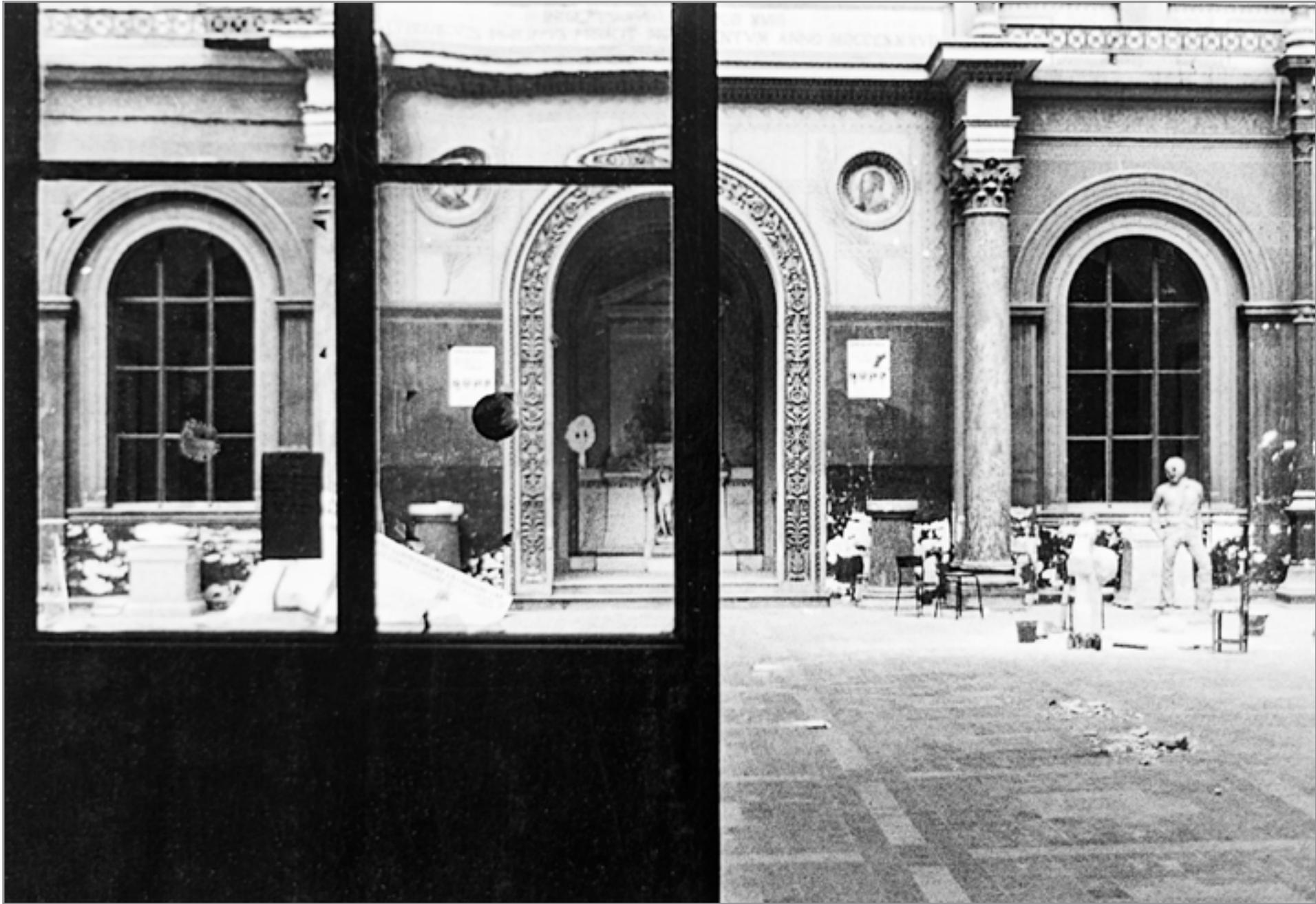




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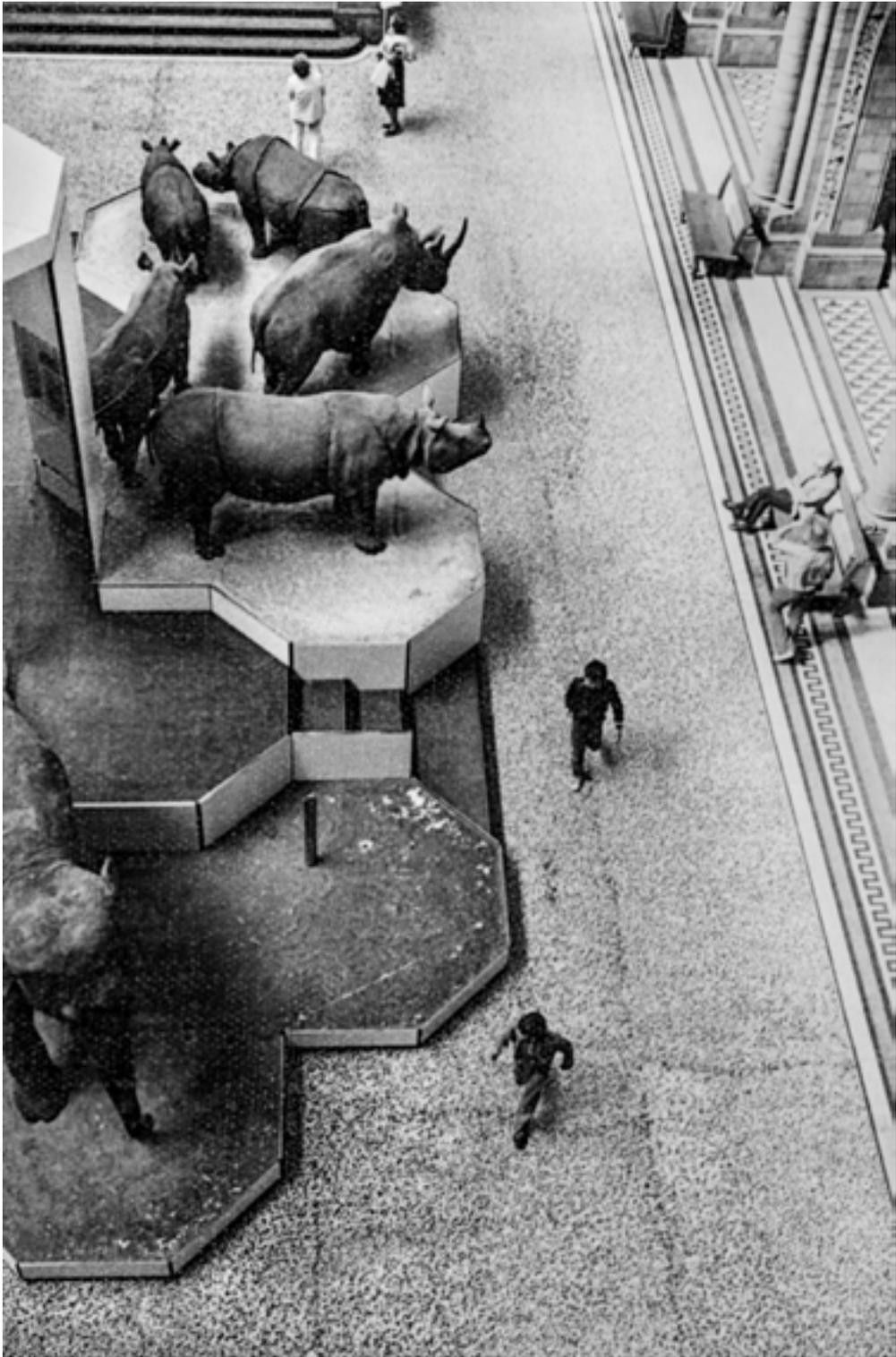














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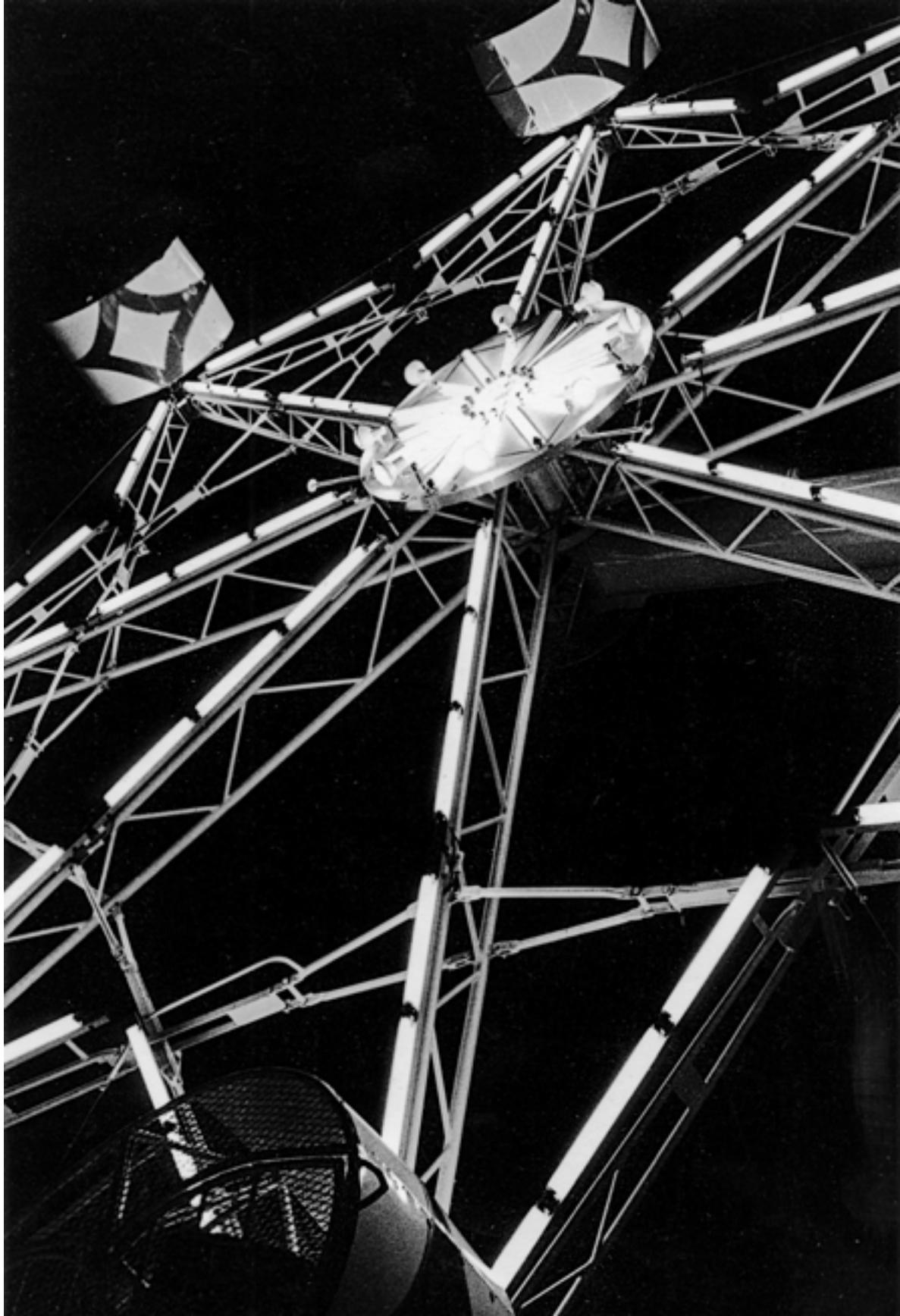


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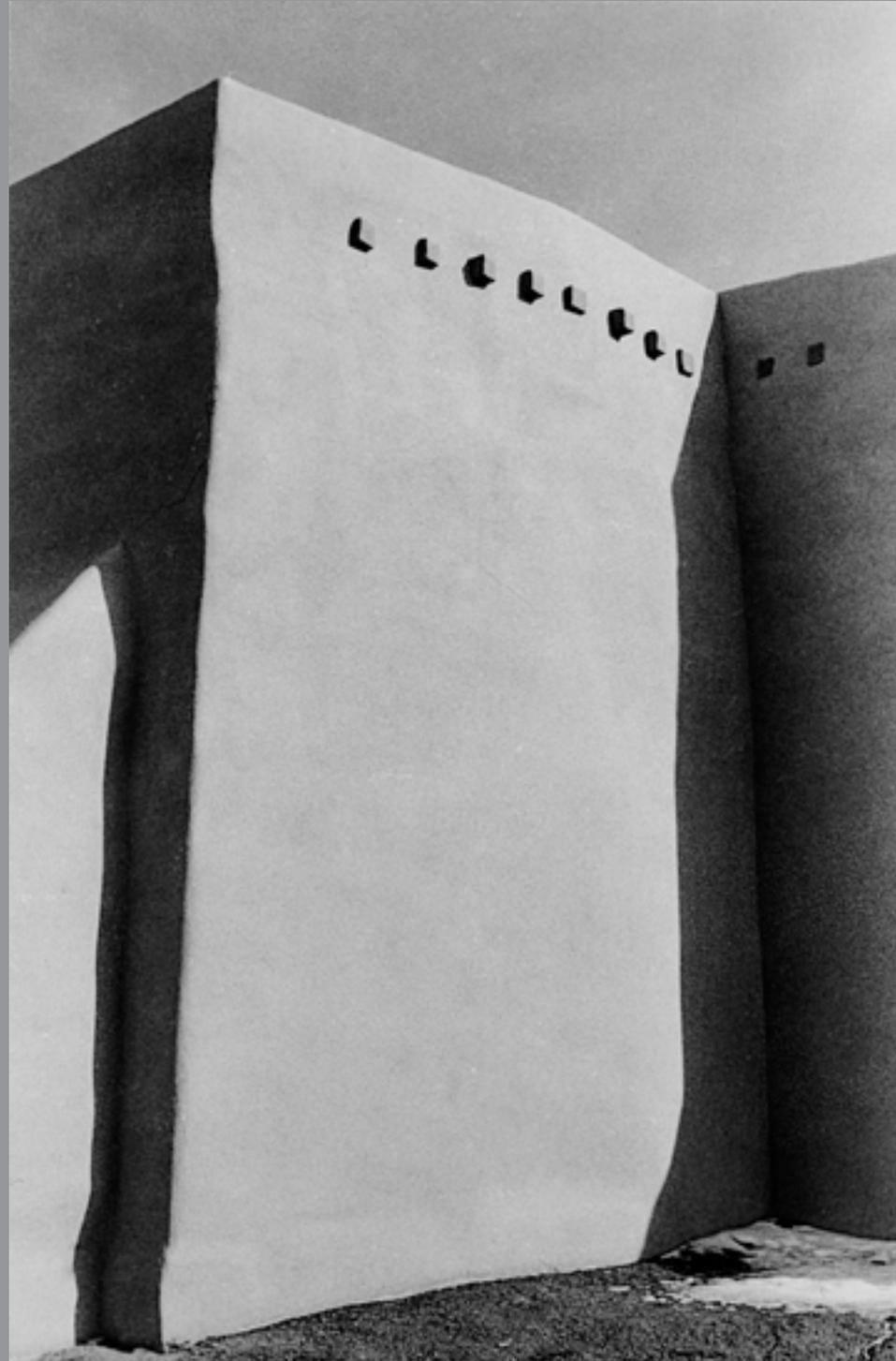








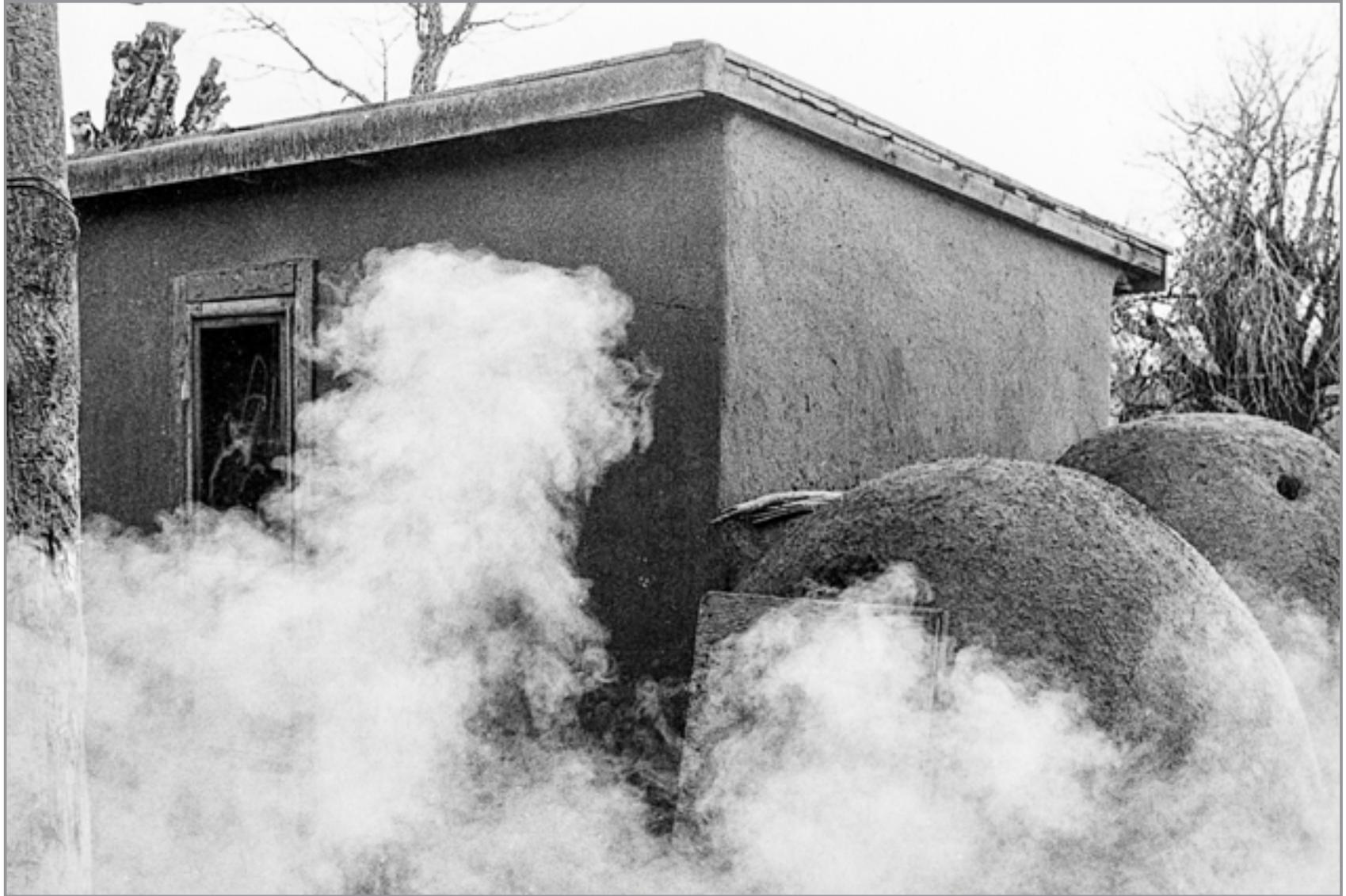
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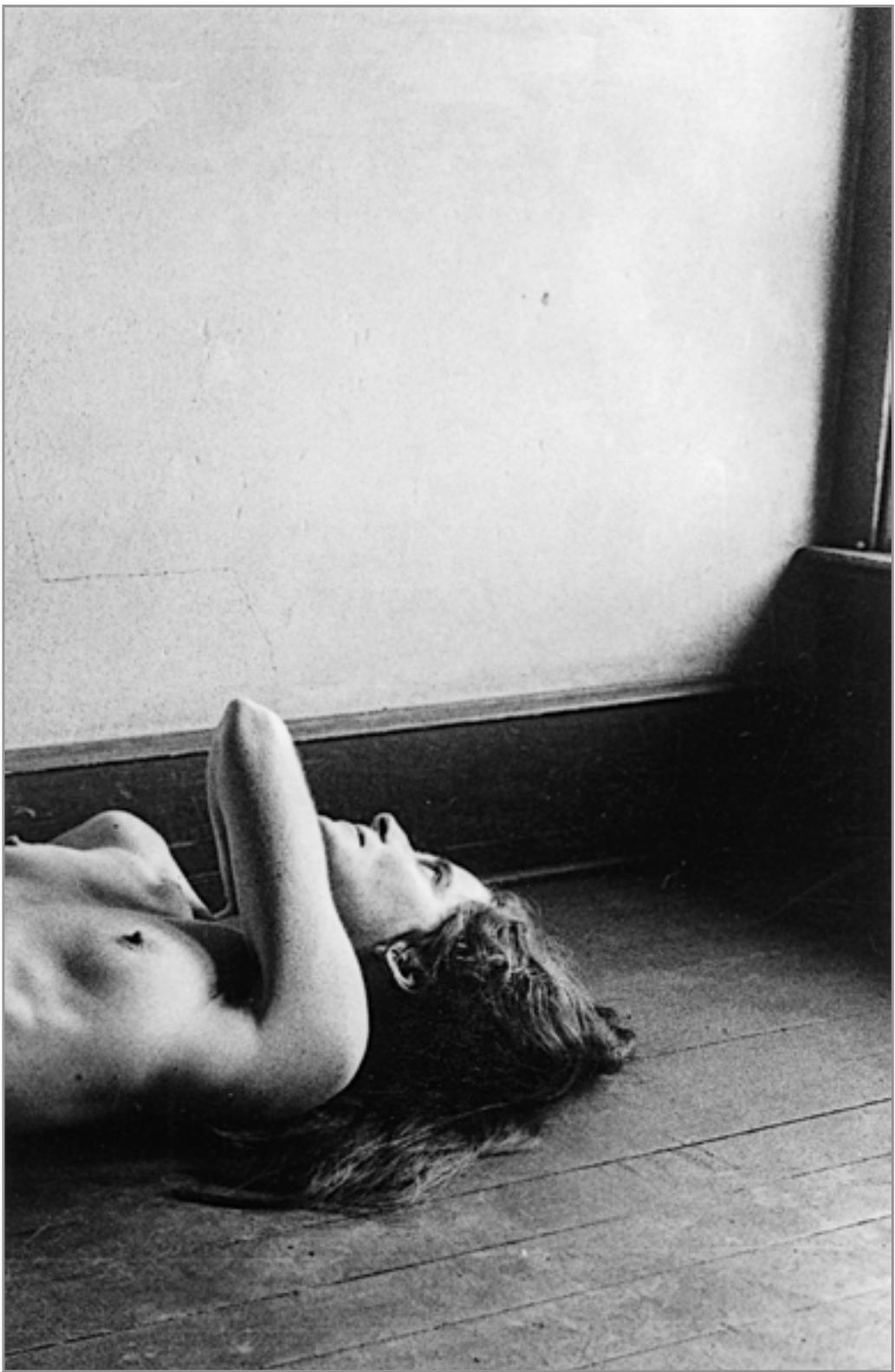












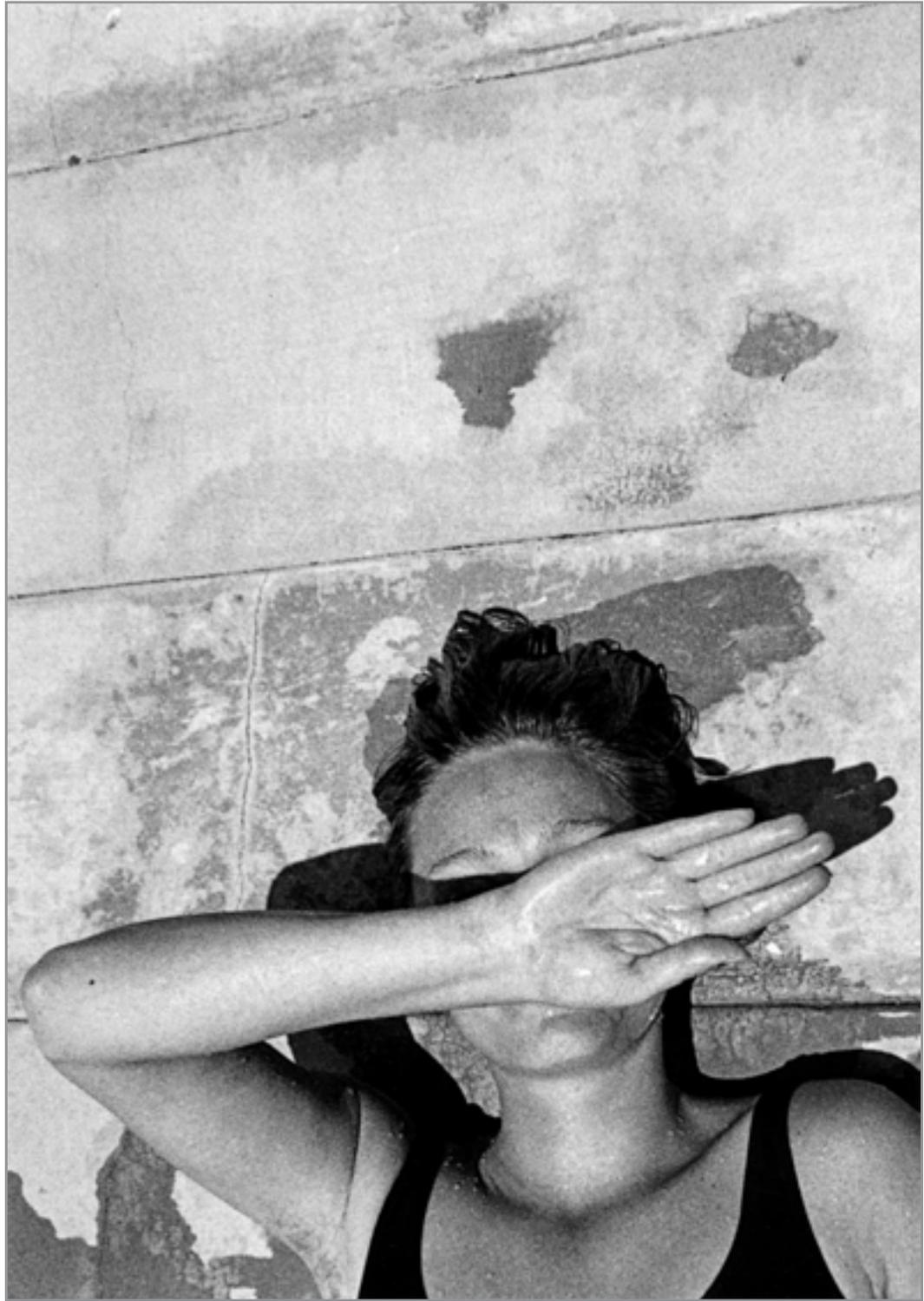
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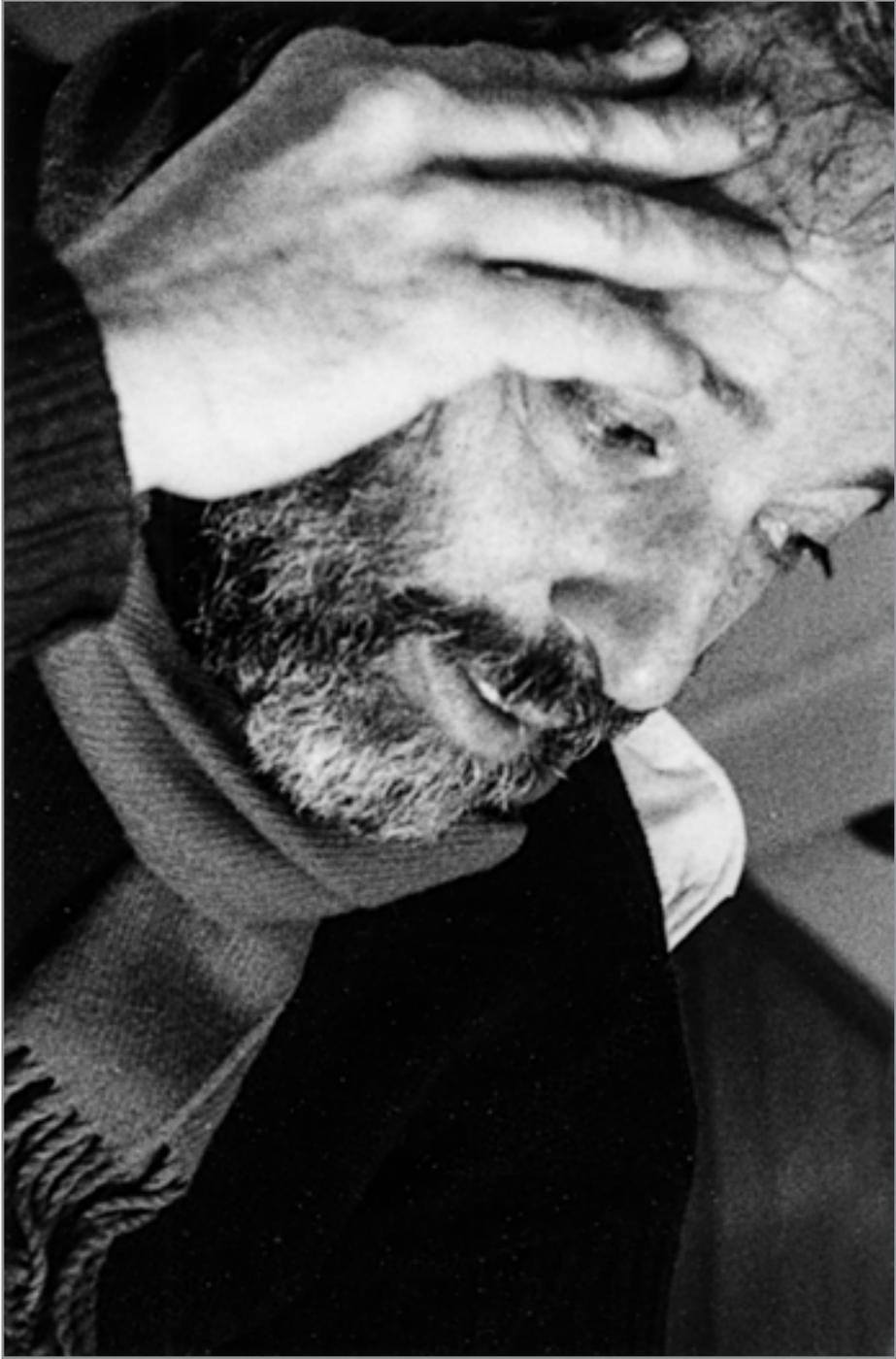








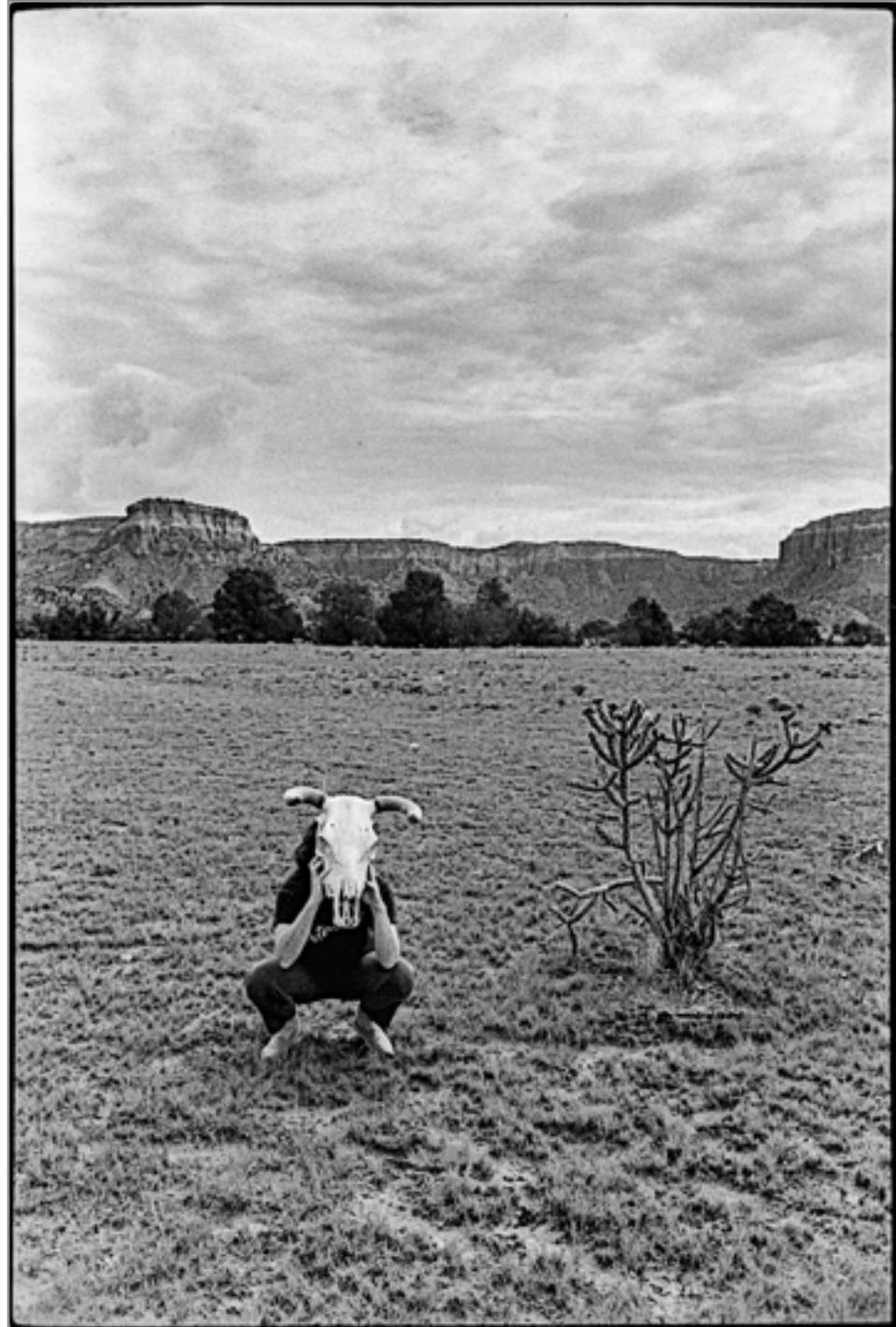




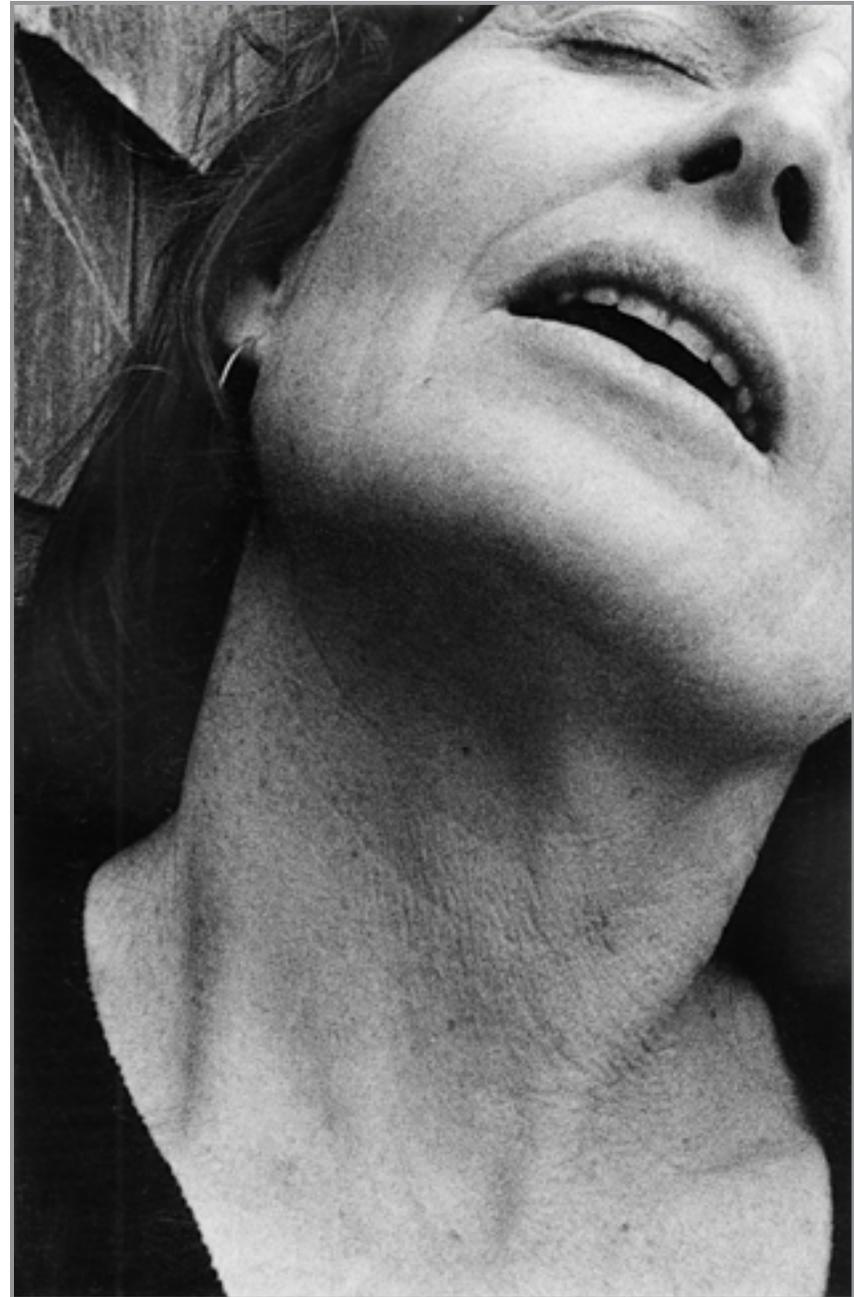


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photographer
friend,
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