

THREE PIECES FOR NOW AND NEVER

Dedicated to Linda Pollack

Adam Overton, December 2005

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IMAGINE A REVOLUTION

for John Lennon

Adam Overton, November 2005

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*To be performed,*

*All, some, or one*

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Imagine a revolution where nothing happens  
Imagine a revolution that destroys nothing  
Imagine a revolution with no shouting  
Imagine a revolution that affects no one but yourself  
Imagine a revolution that occurs without your knowing it  
Imagine a revolution with no beginning  
Imagine a revolution with no end  
Imagine a revolution that cannot be imagined  
Imagine a revolution where imagining is revolutionary

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HOW TO IMPROVE THE WORLD [YOU'LL ONLY MAKE MATTERS WORSE]

for John Cage (*the title is a saying/title of John Cage's*)

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[Refuse to] Write a word that will [not] improve the world  
[Refuse to] Make a sound that will [not] improve the world  
[Refuse to] Perform an action that will [not] improve the world  
[Refuse to] Do nothing in order to [not] improve the world  
[Refuse to] Realize that what you do does [not] make a difference

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YOU ARE WHAT YOU PRETEND TO BE

for Kurt Vonnegut, Jr. (*the title is a quote from Kurt Vonnegut's book, Mother Night*)

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Pretend to be revolutionary  
Pretend to be a revolutionary  
Pretend to be a revolution

Pretend that going to sleep is revolutionary

Pretend that sleeping is revolutionary  
Pretend that waking up is revolutionary  
Pretend that living is revolutionary

Pretend that breathing is revolutionary  
Pretend that a single breath is revolutionary  
Pretend that holding your breath is revolutionary  
Pretend that a revolution will begin after you stop holding your breath  
Pretend that resuming normal breathing is revolutionary

Pretend that thinking is revolutionary  
Pretend that ceasing that thought is revolutionary

Pretend that reading is revolutionary  
Pretend that reading something you don't understand is revolutionary  
Pretend that reading this line is revolutionary  
Pretend that closing a book is revolutionary

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