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# PANIC & OTHER ATTACKS

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Stilte, zeer zwak licht op judomatten, beeld van de Noordpool op de achterwand

Dounia en Roos wandelen het landschap in en blijven staan

Sometimes I feel it coming and I try to hide from it I do camouflage to fit the room hoping it wouldn't notice me Hoping it attacks a door or a chair But it doesn't

I feel it hanging over us and surrounding us ever since we're here It's hanging over the water in particular It's always waiting around the corner and just out of sight Canoeing over the water certainly did help Talking to someone did help too

It stands as I stand
It keeps me company
I realize this clearly
because I miss it
It comforts me
and is home to me
in some way

Everything you can touch and everything you work with can become scary
Can become too much Is too much

It's weird how you never really notice your organs

until they hurt
Our uterus hurts for a few days now
without a clear explanation
We would have forgotten we had one
if it didn't start feeling like
a stone inside our body
we have to drag along
Just like the time I had kidney-stones
I know very well where they are inside the body
since that day

How did we end up here? Should we try to escape? Who are they?

Everything is different here
Even our names are different here
New place – new name
I always thought
I would only change these big
important
aspects of life
when I would have to hide

For example if I had killed someone and had to go underground and remain unknown
Or if I had robbed a bank left a husband and a child and ran away with a new lover

Or if I had gone mad I can't recall any of these things happening

Why are we hiding, anyway? Who are they? Who is she?

Am I a stranger to the others?

Does this situation have a possibility of danger?
Is there a chance to escape?

Do we need to?

What if we poke their eyes?

Should I punch their noses?
I hope my arm is long enough

When should we start throwing?

How far can we throw? (how low can we go)
Is this real?

Should we get a dog for protection? What shall we call him?

1 2 3 4 Can I jump? How deep is the water? Make mental notes

#### MAKE MENTAL NOTES

Great view over the water, though
The water is not even that scary
Just a bit cold
I think it's not even deep enough to drown in
Well, you could
but you should make some effort
It's not too wide
so you can easily swim to the shore
The shore is not that high
so it's no big deal to climb onto it
Too many canoes, boats and cheering people
Always a hero somewhere

Kevin tried to drown himself by jumping off a bridge

but for some reason a sea-lion would not allow him to sink and kept bumping him up, you know allowing him to breathe till a boat came to his rescue

The water is not that dark more blue-white coloured It's actually a very nice colour No, this is no scary water at all It's just like the colourful sports hall on the left unfortunately that's been demolished by an avalanche

The only scary thing I can think of might be the cracking of the ice or our small amount of food

Maybe the neighbour who never speaks but only nods perhaps the barking dogs
The constant sound of polar winds the wandering thieves in gangs the lost madmen men in general storms thunderstorms the dark

The rolling sounds that flood us from time to time
Bills
emails
unopened letters
tall vehicles
Expectations
the silence

the loneliness the worries lack of connection lack of friends lack of courage height

I have been by myself all night long hoping for the arms of my mother

But how could she ever find me when I stay hiding?

I hope her arms are long enough

I am ready I am ready for the fall what about you?

The point, however is not to be free from fear but to engage in it
To work with the meaningful part in it
It's a misleading idea that we can be free from fear Fabulously naive
Like it could only come from a Swedish company

DANGER
is very similar to
ANGER
It's the same,
only one letter difference
The D is missing

I'm not fearful

I have no fear
Fear is not near
Only I am
I'm not scared, not scary (nor Mary)
I should not fail
And certainly not
when it is not the right time for it
I should not fail
fall
faint
Auwtch! Helen?
Yes Charlie?

I got kicked in the face
I got kicked so hard I just fell over
I fell over
I felt like I would fall
and poof!
I fell

Some time after the kicking I fell over for no reason

That's when it really got scary

Once I kicked myself
To make the falling seem more or less
not for no reason
Well – Let's not talk about that

Parachutes are nice if they rescue you I'd love to have one on my back – you never know you know I wouldn't fall on purpose no but I would like to be caught when I fall by surprise

I like surprises
falling by surprise is not one of my favorites, but I like being caught by
surprise
when I fall
Do you like to be lucky?
I do
I like to be lucky
but sometimes I become very red for no reason
I don't like that
Funny things are so funny

Pretend
content
forever, out of hand
When I lose myself I lose it all
Therefore I spent my days running
Running away from it all
towards it all
in the midst of it all
I even used a running scheme to keep track
I updated time
and kept performance very high

Roos en Dounia rennen nu allebei heel hard Dounia valt en tuimelt. Roos ook. Video ook

The time in between thinking
I might fall and smacking down
I am falling
The fall is the scariest thing
But the even scarier scariest thing
is the thought of falling
And worst is the fear of the final drop
the way I land

Mostly it is painful and disruptive but so is the fear of it

Hamster-wheels are the worst: Panicking about panicking about panicking...

I get trapped in hamster-wheels Hamsters too *tuimelt* 

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 left 10 11 12 right 13 14 15...

This may be our only chance to escape Where is the line, have we passed it? Would they mind? Would I mind? Yes I do I think so

Can I still say no?
Work my way out of it?
Travel sideward
never lose focus
Hold positions

Am I a professional? Shall I pretend? Co-operate be gentle?

The dark isn't really dark It's just that the light can't reach that far

Maybe the fridge is broken How much can I wear? How much can I bear? Are the windows too small?
The ceiling is too low
The doors are locked
and what can I make of these walls?

No place to hide

I can quickly change I can change change this situation

Never lose focus Become their friend

judo-oefening met een kussen

Did you know penguins can attack people when they feel threatened? Should they get a claw into your flesh count on a nasty infection They're standing in bird poop

If someone attacks you they say you should blind your attacker by gouging out the eyes by thrusting your fingers in them

Or knock the wind out of your opponent by hitting the throat with your fist

Or punch the nose

Or quickly clasp your hands over both of your attacker's ears at the same time

Or you can either kick or punch your attacker in the stomach

And if your attacker is a male kick or punch his groin

Only fight back to escape or protect yourself If you can: run!

Better is to draw attention or find help

HELP!

To find help do not call 'help'

People do not tend to help when they hear 'help'

Instead of calling for help by screaming 'help' to draw attention shout:

FIRE FREE FOOD WOW GREAT PARTY

Pretend someone famous is passing by: Is that Beyoncé?

Or the Belgian option: Is that King Filip?

Family drama's also work: why did you do this you...

Shout the name of a dog: come, come Lassie

Shout the name of another dog: Snoopy Shout the name of a real dog: Scratch / Scar / ...

Call for security:

SECURITY

Or you can use the death whistle:

**FWIET** 

If no one surrounds you confuse your attacker:

LOOK THERE! A PENGUIN

Act very strange, weird anything but normal:

**GRMTCH** 

Give the attacker a mochi ICE cream – just give them food

OH YOU ARE BLEEDING

and

WATCH OUT
I HAVE VERY SEVERE
CONTAGIOUS FUNGUS

Nowadays coughing might be enough Or punch the nose

When a shark attacks you

don't punch it in the nose When panic attacks you: don't punch and don't panic

If one of you attacked someone once and got poked in the eyes you could kindly ask a dog to guide you the company of a dog is handy in a lot of cases

like for example if you bump into a polar bear

She met seven polar bears in nature and is still alive thanks to her dog If you encounter a polar bear keep these tips in mind:

⊥ Good luck
 Polar bears are the biggest bears on Earth and they're much harder to scare than other bears
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The best strategy is to avoid meeting them in the first place

⊥ Don't act like prey
 This is good advice for any bear encounter
 but polar bears are most likely to see you
 as a meal
 Running away will confirm their suspicions
 Plus, they're faster
 and much better at running on snow and ice

⊥ Do act like a threat
The bear may see through this tactic especially if it's hungry but it's still worth a shot

Don't draw attention if the bear doesn't see you or seems uninterested but if it approaches stand up straight speak loudly and act like it should be scared of you

⊥ Use bear-spray
 It's your best bet
 since you can't count on
 intimidating a polar bear
 and their habitat doesn't offer many hiding-places
 Be sure the spray is easy to reach
 and learn how to use it before you go
 (But don't let those gusty Arctic winds
 blow away your protective cloud)

⊥ Don't give up Unfortunately neither playing dead nor fighting back works as well against polar bears as against their smaller relatives They're often more interested in eating you than in neutralizing you as a threat so playing dead might just make their job easier Fighting back is pretty useless, too but if you find yourself rolling around the tundra with a one-ton polar bear you don't have much to lose As with other bears try to injure its nose or eyes and steer clear of those big, swinging paws A single strike can kill a person In our case being attacked by panic is more likely than being attacked by a bear

That is a good thing I think
When you have a panic attack —
panic attacks you
There is nothing else attacking:
No bear
No angry person
No one
Except
if you are very very unlucky
you might be attacked
by a panic
and by a bear
at the same time
but that does not really happen a lot, I think

Or maybe that is because those it happened to couldn't tell about it

## Oh my

Anyway In this case of panic-attacks panic attacks and that's pretty terrifying

We are all afraid of panic

In the case of being pushed away by humans I don't think dogs know the solution

When she was twelve years old she was kidnapped by four men trying to force her into marriage but she was saved by three lions

What to do – if you –

are – kidnapped?

Do as little as possible if you resist the kidnappers may become dangerous

However if you are in a public place this may be your only chance to escape

As impossible as it may seem stay calm and focus on what is happening around you

⊥ Make mental notes:
 How many captors are there?
 Do they seem well-prepared and professional?

⊥ Examine your surroundings:
Where are you being held?
An office?
A warehouse?
Describe the room, the car
the location of your temporary hosts

⊥ If in transit
you should count turns
and measure distance by counting as you travel:
1234
left
123
right
and so on

⊥ Try to worktry to work –

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work out why you are being kidnapped?

There are various motives from basic financial kidnap to political leverage to sexual abuse

Once you establish what your role is in the abductor's plan you are in a better position to negotiate your way out of it

You will almost always be worth more alive than dead

Unless you sense that you are going to be made an example of Try to put your captor at ease It is never wise to become violent or make threats

Don't beg or plead remain calm strong and keep your dignity

Speak when spoken to and if possible build up a relationship with your captors

Be their friend Remember they are most likely under as much stress as you are

Make their cause your cause

Most experts insist that you should never attempt to escape but if you are being held by people who clearly intend to kill you there isn't much to lose

It was about twelve o'clock in the evening and I was lying in my bed but I was not asleep yet

I suddenly heard a terrible scream on the street and after some doubt I looked down from my window

It took a while before I found where the screaming came from

It was a woman with a small group of people around her and a van standing next to them

Was it a quarrel that got out of hand? Was the woman hurt

The scream was terrible and I was in great doubt Shouldn't I better go downstairs so that I could see what was really going on?

I saw a cyclist pass and a walker passed they did not stand still

Did it look less threatening from closeby? If the people who are so close did not do anything was help even needed?

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After a few minutes of doubt I decided to call the police

All of a sudden the group led the woman into the van and before I knew it they were all gone

The van was out of sight and a few minutes later I saw another car driving into the street it was a police car –

Let's just talk about something else – Nobody knows for sure if ivory-billed woodpeckers still exist

. . .

Tension between us like picket-fences
A mother
Saw her child hurting itself
The boy panicked
because he couldn't save his dying turtle
The turtle was poisoned by chemicals
that were sprayed nearby
The boy tried to force-feed him
during a week
gave him medicine
but finally found the animal dead
and was so upset
he wounded himself

It is not easy to forgive yourself sometimes but when it's really not easy because you regret it so much... that means you should do it

If you can't:

I officially forgive you for those things right now

It is very relieving to forgive someone A good one

THIN ICE

Good persons
What does that even mean?
The whole North Pole sits on drifting ice

Maybe we all could have been good persons if things hadn't been so complicated In better circumstances no maybe some people are just not so nice for no reason

I mean: Sympathetic people... Pathetic people...

Are you sympathetic? Are you pathetic? Are you a loser? Do you like puppy's?

You become a loser one day or another You lose something, or someone You lose hope, yourself, control

We find ourselves losing

If you're lost: don't panic If you lose: don't panic If you panic: don't

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If you think you're gonna choke
Just keep breathing
as slow and controlled as you can:
in – out
in – out
And maybe it will feel like
the only thing you can do is:
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If in and out is too much
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Make a small air pocket to breathe from

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focus on the 'out':

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If you can think of it as a letting go
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## Stick to the things you recognise

Wood - Chair -

Bowl - Chair -

Table – Milk

Breathe

Milk – Bowl

Breathe

Salt - Bowl - Chair -

Table – Spoon

Breathe

Wood - Wall -

Wood - Wall - Carrots -

Chair – Bowl – Table –

Lemon - Spoon -

Milk - Wall - Floor -

Bird - Chair - Cat -

Book –

Rice -

Paper –

Banana – Orange

Yellow - Blue -

Breathe

Fly – Floor – Feet – Flower

Door - Spoon - Lemon -

Radio – Stamp – Bowl

Door

Door

Door

Door

Breathe

Fly – Floor –

Feet - Flower

Wood

Wood Hold the wood

Another mother
Saw her child
Harming itself
She couldn't take her child's pain away
If the child could take away any pain today
It would be her mother's

How much can we bear?
How much can we handle?
How much can we take?
How many bears?
19 lemons
14 chairs
56 spoons
1 ladder

Sometimes an avalanche starts right beneath your feet

⊥ If this happens
 try to jump up the slope
 beyond the fracture line
 An avalanche happens so quickly
 that it's almost impossible to react fast enough
 but it has been done

⊥ When the avalanche starts above you or beneath you let go of all your equipment and move to the side of it

⊥ If you're unable to escape the avalanche try to grab on to a boulder or sturdy tree You may be able to hold on until the flow of snow passes you Keep in mind that a very powerful avalanche can carry away even large rocks and trees

⊥ You'll tend to sink as you get carried downhill
Try to stay afloat
by kicking your feet
and moving your arms
in a swimming motion

⊥ Swim on your back
 This way your face is turned towards the surface giving you a better chance of getting oxygen if you're buried

⊥ Swim uphill
 Swimming up
 will get you closer to the surface of the snow

What to do to survive when buried in snow:

⊥ Hold one arm straight above your head
 It should be pointed in the direction
 of the snow's surface
 This will help you figure out
 which way is up
 since it's easy to get disoriented
 once you're buried
 It may also help rescuers locate you
 ⊥ Spitting out a small amount of your saliva
 can also help
 with figuring out which way is up
 because the fluid will run down

 ⊥ Use your free hand to dig an air pocket near your nose and mouth when the avalanche slows down With a small air pocket to breathe from you should have enough air to last at least 30 minutes

⊥ Right before the snow settles inhale deeply and hold your breath for a few seconds This causes your chest to expand which will give you some breathing-space when the snow hardens around you If you don't have this breathing-space you may not even be able to expand your chest to breathe while you're buried

⊥ If you're very near the surface
you may be able to dig your way out
but otherwise
you aren't going anywhere
Don't waste precious breath
by struggling against the snow
Remain calm
and wait to be rescued

⊥ If you hear people nearby try to call them but don't keep it up if they don't seem to hear you

You can probably hear them better than they can hear you and shouting just wastes your limited air supply

- $\perp$  Eating the snow is not an effective way of removing snow
- $\perp$  If you feel like urinating, do so Although this might feel uncomfortable

rescue dogs strongly rely on smell to locate a victim thus urine can become very useful in this kind of situation

⊥ If you get buried in a remote area
and know there's no one around to dig you out
if you can see any light
try to dig towards it
If you can see your breath
dig in the direction that it rises

. . .

#### Another mother

Panic in my pocket
Panic in a closet
Panic lying on the carpet
Panic under the bed

Panic in the bathtub
Panic in my cup
Panic in a vase
Panic under my chair

Panic panic panic is there Panic panic panic in the air

Panic in the sink
Panic on the coatrack
Panic written on a paper
Panic on the tv

Panic panic panic is near

Panic panic panic is here

Panic caught by the cat Panic in the doorway Panic hanging on the wall

Panic panic panic takes it all Panic panic we're ready for the fall

How to stop a goose attack:

⊥ Watch for warning signs:
 At first
 a goose will bend its head back slightly
 This indicates aggression
 If the goose then bends its neck out straight this shows the aggression is increasing

 $\perp$  If a goose is about to attack it will pump its head up and down like this:

. . .

⊥ Geese may hiss or honk as well when they are aggressive like this:

. . .

 $\perp$  Leave before a goose begins to chase you

 $\perp$  Avoid turning away and do not run

Back away slowly Stay faced towards the goose and make sure to avoid anything you may trip over

⊥ Remain calm
It's a good idea to maintain calm
when backing away from a goose
If you're struggling to remain calm
take a few deep breaths:
In and out
you've been doing it your whole life

⊥ Do not yell at the goose
 It's better not to say anything
 It will not understand you anyway

 $\perp$  You should also not make any physical gestures towards the goose

And don't throw anything at the goose No oranges no wood no chair no spoons lemons No milk

In the event a mountain-lion attacks you use rocks sticks oranges spoons lemons your bare hands or whatever tools are around to fend off the animal

What kind of panic is your kind of panic?

In today's suggestions we have:

Red panic -

White panic -

Blue panic -

Orange panic –

Yellow panic –

Black panic -

Dark panic –

Deep panic –

Help panic -

Heavy panic –

Light panic -

Fight panic –

Milky panic –

Salty panic –

Sweet panic –

Spicy panic –

Crunchy panic –

Sticky panic –

Iced panic -

Boiling panic –

Rotten panic –

Fresh panic -

Fried panic –

Dried panic –

Light panic –

Greasy panic –

Poached panic -

Creamy panic –

Roasted panic –

Toasted panic

lawinepak uit

I had a weapon in my hand

and I did not shoot

Risking my life more than once

refusing to take a bear's life
Inuit told her to keep eye contact
move sidewards
or slowly to the front
never backwards

To keep calm never show fear stand next to something to appear bigger To shoot only if she had no choice and never injure the bear because it would get even more dangerous

Never never run away

So with a full-grown hungry polar bear heading towards me
I stood my ground repeating to myself: stay calm stay calm

Her dog barking, roaring ready to jump

Dry mouth heavy heartbeats trouble breathing sweat shaking hands and knees:

A natural reaction when something life-threatening happens to you

An instinctive fear that might be of some use in the case of almost being shredded by a bear

But not in the cases I was in when I panicked Not in my case No

If I react as helplessly and awkward as I tend to when I panic in front of a bear the only thing I can hope for is that the bear feels sorry for me

I hope the bear feels sorry for me Sometimes they do

Kevin was attacked by a mountain-lion while watching three bears a mother and two little ones

The mother bear came to his help by fighting the mountain-lion and saved his life I think she felt sorry for him

If you see someone You can be pretty sure something happened to that person Even if nothing happened

Maybe the one attacking Is the one being attacked By something

'For a split-second I believed her—I thought she was about to confess a crime

maybe a murder

Then I realized that we all think

we might be terrible people
But we only reveal this
before we ask someone to love us
It is a kind of undressing'

The worst part is: we might not have to worry about being attacked by a polar bear anymore

#### George

the fourteen-year-old O'ahu tree-snail and the last of his kind died on New Year's Day of 2019 And Martha the last passenger-pigeon she died in a zoo In...

Scary people
Maybe scary people are not scary at all
Maybe nobody is
Maybe the moods we are in are scary
Maybe the unpredictable threatening thundery pressing moods are scary

Kevin once gave the Kiss of Life to an unconscious wild tortoise It woke up again

Someone said:

I haven't had an attack since our call Someone said: If I had to choose between the life of a dog or a human I'd save the dog

If a dog attacks

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try to get on top of something or throw food
If it bites
move your body part in the dog's mouth rather than pulling it out

When a dog attacks you, do not: Scream Run Panic

Make eye contact Jump up and down

The best way to get away from killer bees is to run in a straight line and as fast as you possibly can away from the chasing swarm

Use a blanket, sheet, pillow, curtain or your shirt or your hands to cover your head and face

Please please please position the sheet or blanket making sure not to cover your eyes so that you can still see

Don't think you can outrun a bear Bears are fast

What to do when your zipper is stuck?

What to do when a crocodile attacks you?

- ⊥ Stay away from it
- ⊥ If you can see the crocodile from far away: rather than bumping noses with him – keep your distance
   Get out of the water
   Most crocodile attacks occur in water
- ⊥ If it sees you:
  Back away slowly
  no sudden movements
- $\perp$  If it heads towards you: run away in a straight line
- ⊥ If it attacks:Run For Your LifeFight If You Have No Choice

Black bears often bluff when attacking So stand your ground and make lots of noise

Don't climb a tree Black bears are excellent climbers

If it actually attacks
fight back
Use anything and everything as a weapon
rocks
sticks
lemons
fists
and your teeth

Aim your blows at the bear's face

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When a black bear sees that their victim is willing to fight to death they'll usually just give up

If you're in a canoe allow a hippopotamus plenty of space

Avoid rivers where numbers of them are concentrated

Tap the side of the boat to signal your position so hippos do not come up beneath you

When a grizzly bear attacks hit the ground immediately and curl into the fetal position cover the back of your neck with your hands

A man you thought you knew presses you against a wall and won't let you go what do you do?

Play dead So they won't think you're threatening Once the bear is done tossing you around and leaves, continue to play dead

Grizzlies are known for waiting around to see if their victim will get back up

No matter what never:
Run from the gorilla
Show your teeth

Raise your arms and try to make yourself look bigger If in doubt scream and shout

Thump your chest in return—not even as a joke

Slowly crouch down and make yourself small

Look away Attempt to look disinterested

Remember mountain-lions are most likely to grab children first

What to do when you lose your child?
Make a small air pocket to breathe from
What to do when you lose yourself?
What to do when you lose your elbow?
What if you smell bad?
What if you smell bad intentions?
What to do when a guy caresses your back?
What if something's over?
What to do if we don't get attacked?
What to do if we get attacked?

What when attacked by a rapist – racist – give them a compliment

What when attached to a rapist
What to do when floods occur
What when in a drought
What to do when earthquakes happen
What to do against forest fires
What to do with that woman from downstairs who, with her vicious

remarks

makes your day sour before it even starts?

What do you do in a crowd?

What do you do if your hair is messy?

What to do if you still want to impress that guy

you know will ruin your life eventually?

What to do with no money?

What to do when robbed?

What to do when left by everybody around you?

What to do without your mother?

What to do with your mother?

What to do if a duck flies into your window?

Duck

Drop – Cover – Hold on

Drop - Cover - Hold on

Make a small air pocket to breathe from

Be their friend

If you feel like urinating - do so

Do not waste precious breath

Poke their eyes
Jump up and down

Look away

Attempt to look disinterested

Do not throw anything at the goose

If in doubt scream and shout

Tap the side of a boat

Aim your blows at the bear's face

Make sure to avoid anything you may trip over

Keep your distance

Say free food

Say no

Say stop

Say don't touch me

Don't freeze

Say I said no

Say I said stop it

Show your teeth Punch the nose

Hide

Run

Stear clear of those big swinging paws Stay calm

Find shelter

Evacuate

Review your family disaster plan

Assemble supplies

Do not go after a victim

Do not return to disaster areas

Act quickly, save yourself, not your belongings

Speak loudly and firmly

Seek medical care

Drop to the ground

Cover and hold on

Cover yourself

Cover your head

Cover your vital organs

Stay away from glass windows anything that could fall Stay there

Move away

Stay calm

Stay in bed protect your head with a pillow

Do not use elevators

Do not light a match

Do not kick up or move around dust

Cover your mouth

Stay calm

We will stay calm

We will tap on a pipe or wall so that rescuers find us

We will find shelter

We will fight back only if we have no choice

We will not try to escape

We will run for our life

Play dead Try to appear as big as possible

Back away slowly

Stay calm

Move in a straight line

Find shelter

Find shelter

Get out of the water

Climb in a tree

Run

Act dead

Fight back

Stay calm

Stay calm

Breathe

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#### Bronvermelding:

- blz. 5 'It stands as (...) in some way' uittreksel uit *Daybook: The Journal of an Artist* door Anne Truitt (1974-79)
- blz. 24 'Tension between us like picket-fences' zin uit Drake's lied *Passionfruit* (2017)
- blz. 39 'For a split second (...) kind of undressing' uittreksel uit *The First Bad Man* door Miranda July (2015)

Dounia Mahammed (Brussel, 1990) studeerde in 2015 af aan de afdeling Drama van het KASK in Gent. Tijdens haar studies maakte ze onder meer de voorstelling *Woudwachten* (2014) met de bezoekers van Villa Voortman (open huis voor mensen met dubbeldiagnose) in Gent. Eerder werkte ze samen met Silke Huysmans voor *Manger de l'O* (2013), met Mira Bryssinck voor *Usotroop* (2014) en met Anjana Dierckx en Lukas Smolders voor *Schaduwmensen* (2013). In augustus 2016 won Dounia Mahammed met haar afstudeerproject *Salut Copain* de SABAM Jongtheaterschrijfprijs 2016 op het festival Theater aan Zee in Oostende. Haar werk werd besproken in literair tijdschrift Terras (Theater-nummer najaar 2019).

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Roos Nieboer (Vlissingen, 1995) studeerde in 2019 af aan de afdeling Vrije Kunsten van LUCA School of Arts in Gent. Tijdens haar studie maakte ze onder meer het participatieve theaterstuk *A life and a living*. Eerder werkte ze samen met Oonagh Haines voor de performances *Nothing better than not to be seen in a crowd* en *A firm and friendly handshake* en met Martí Madaula voor de performance *How to conquer space*. In september 2019 won Roos Nieboer met haar afstudeerproject *How do you throw a brick through the window of a bank*, uitgevoerd in de KBC Arteveldetoren te Gent, de juryprijs voor beste masterproef van LUCA School of Arts.

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