No Spank
Jordan Strafer
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Off-line

If you go by mind, instead of by sea,
Sally, you will not need lotion or a towel.
You can just sit on flat sand and paddle with your hands
In buckets of wash-water. Squeeze out what's willing
To go. Contemplate the sensations while your mother
Slowly loses hope of your return.

A female runaway always turns her face around to show a whole person hanging From space with eyes open and darkly crayoned flaps for lips.

She is central. She seems to ask: when she walks.

Were we stuck up or just sickly.

You can't escape once you have been born. You are now permanent no matter in what carnation. Permanent means forever. Repeating self after self white as bones and only a few knowing they will never be free of existence once they are in it. They know they are sad, obedient, always the same one that they will never be again. Be buried by rubble after a bombing and they will still be imprisoned by their nerves. So it is with freedom. A paradox.

There is the sea again and a white iceberg, or island in a mist. And a hand flailing at her backside where the coins slide.

Fanny Howe

Jordan Strafer (b.1990, Miami, FL) is an artist working primarily in video based in New York. She received her BFA from The New School in 2016 and her MFA from Bard College in 2019. Strafer has participated in group exhibitions at SculptureCenter, New York (2020); The New Museum, New York (2021); and Haus Der Kulturen Der Welt, Berlin (2021), and solo shows at Participant Inc, New York (2022) and Heidi, Berlin (2023). In 2023, the artist had her second institutional solo exhibition at the Secession in Vienna, premiering her most recent work, LOOPHOLE (2023), as well as her first museum solo exhibition at CAMH in Houston, Texas, centering on her Trilogy (PEAK HEAVEN LOVE FOREVER, 2022; SOS, 2021; PEP (Process Entanglement Procedure), 2019). In 2024, Strafer will present new video work in solo exhibitions at the Renaissance Society, Chicago and the Hammer Museum, LA.

Credits

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