

prelude for a press

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We find Henri Michaux diving “as blood runs in the veins,”¹ uncaring, flawlessly adept, from bed into literature, a poetry that allows even those who can’t swim, let alone dive, to dive deeper, better and more profoundly. This is an articulation of Michaux the writer, happily, buoyantly, venturing into an athleticism that his day-body denies him. And it is here, as an athlete in bed, that he declares love for that which is carried by the imagination, a delirious body reaching rare depths poetically and at sea.

The exhibition is a prelude for the press *An Athlete in Bed*, perhaps even its first act of publishing. *An Athlete in Bed* is organised and edited by Jesper List Thomsen.

¹From ‘Athlete in Bed’ by Henri Michaux, published in ‘The Selected Writings of Henri Michaux’, New Directions, 1990. The poem was first published in the French language as ‘Le Sportif au Lit’, in ‘La Nuit Remue’, Gallimard, 1935.

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