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The past is not dead. It lingers and often remains undercover, out of sight within us, inclined to re-surface and apprehend us unsuspecting and incognizant of our desire to reengage or not. Images as memory have power to disturb or comfort, bringing lingering sentiments of agitation and serenity. Once part of you, they do not readily release you from their grip.

My art is driven by the links between images of memory and life experience. Combining paintings with comic interludes, I create a grand narrative that glimpses through the unaltered eye of past manifestations of self. This reveals what is most important in my life; simple virtues of hope and love. My art is truly the organic transmission of life experience, my ruminations on the problem of suffering, pain and where to garner resilience.