

# When Earth is Unable to Shed Tears

At a heart-consciousness workshop ([scalarheartconnection.com](https://scalarheartconnection.com)) people sought to tap into the archetypal significance of the drought. Through the wisdom of their hearts they received the insight that the Earth feels unlovable and this made them realize that the drought isn't just about high and low weather fronts, but about a collective intelligence. When Earth is viewed as an entity, the flowing of water through rivers and canals becomes a vascular system—literally the source of life for herself and her inhabitants.

The rivers that flow into and out of lakes and reservoirs can symbolize freedom from confinement, things running their course, as well as restriction, damming, running dry, and changing course. In mythology, a lake was sometimes viewed as the Earth's tranquil and liquid eye or a two-way mirror of the soul. The reflective surface of a lake inverts the image of Sky and Earth as if to remind us of the alchemical motto "as above, so below." Lakeness can also reflect the depth of our heart and our deeper motivations, which may reflect on the surface as our preoccupation with exploiting Nature and Her inhabitants. Perhaps, the group wondered, drought is a call to examine our stinginess in relationship to the wellbeing of the global community. From this perspective, the quality of our life in terms of available water may depend on the quality of our riveriness and lakeness. Perhaps dry riverbeds and evaporating lakes are a call to examine the quality of our humanness.

What could be the quality of humanness reflected in drought? The group began to feel that the answer is related to harmony and our deeper connection to ourselves and with others. A lack of inner harmony and connection with others can lead to isolation, loneliness, and a disconnection from our authentic Self. Perhaps Earth is challenging us to overcome our conditioned and cultural prejudices that often block our progress on the journey towards wholeness and attaining a state of unconditional love. Maybe Earth is asking us to take action, to embrace a new sense of identity in relationship to others and with Nature without feeling the need to control, exploit, dominate, or oppress.

The group decided to create a pact with Earth and resolved to live in harmony with all of Her inhabitants and to ensure She thrives now and for future generations.

The group reminded themselves that when the drought ends it is not a sign that we can go back to our old ways. Living in harmony with others and Nature must be a sustainable act.



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# No Place for Refugees

Vapor trails crisscross above  
the San Joaquin Valley like Fukushima  
fallout over the West Coast where huddled  
anchovies and disoriented sardines  
prepare to evacuate.

No place for ocean life.

Rows of pink blossoms on rain soaked  
bark line the valley highway  
like a military parade with stacks  
of bee boxes empty and foreclosed  
spread out among the flanks.

No place for honeybees.

Flood and drought force  
migration into human trafficking  
and sinking boats.

No place for farmers.

The apparatus in foreign camouflage  
laps up the last drops of black blood  
while bombing their own.

No place for refugees.





Infra-Thin Reflections

# Suspending Dr. Monnett

It's pouring rain in the Mojave  
over bone dust

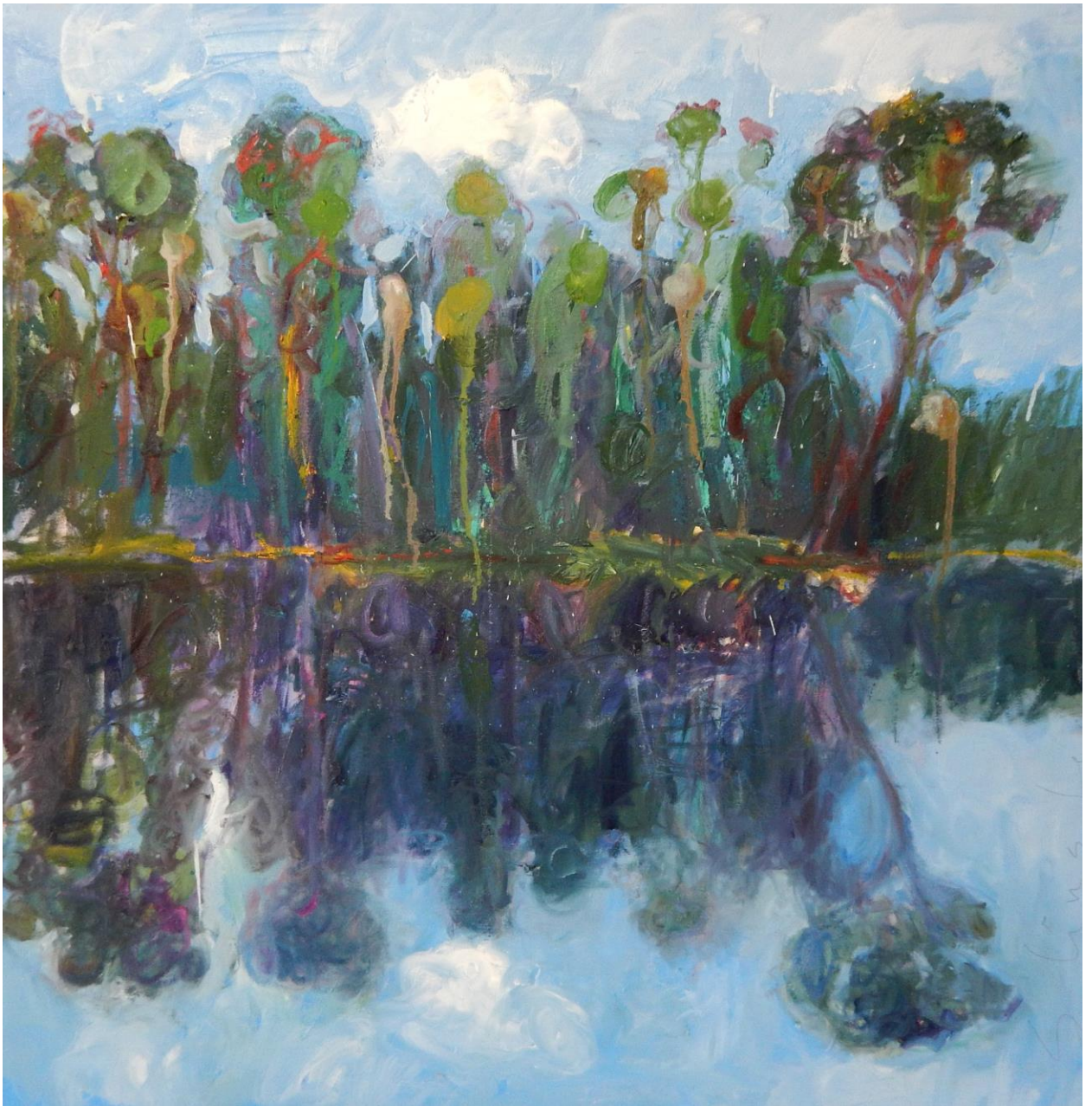
Melting polar ice-caps  
need someplace to go

If only stranded polar bears  
had rafts of wood  
they could follow their evaporating habitat  
to the desert

'We are at the beginning of a radical depopulation of the earth'

Be careful not to blame it on global warming





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