

Idiot was the word in ancient Greece which denoted common people without access to knowledge and information: all women by definition and most men. I consider myself unable to judge, to choose, I see no options I can identify with. Is that normal? All the political options of my fellowmen sound aggressive, strange, stupid or farfetched to my language of concrete needs: I need to move, I need to communicate, I need to have children, I need to talk, to play, to have fun. They don't talk about that, they speak of history, of historical needs and rights. That is not my history. If it was, it wasn't me who made that history. They talk of blood, of breed, of pride, of rights, of visions. But I am in need, I am terribly in need. I am losing my mind because of a lack of love and understanding, because of a lack of fun and laughter and lightness. I cannot think 24 hours a day about fear and imminent death. Thinking about death is enough death. Real death is just a physical sensation that my mind may miss. For us here today, it is a culture of death, based on instincts of dying or surviving. I don't want to listen to my instincts every moment. I want to control and command my basic instinct in order to feel free and well. Is that normality? I lost it a long time ago and so gradually that I can hardly remember when and how. It was an invisible loss of an invisible category. I miss it, I know it existed even though I cannot prove it anymore to anybody here. Jasmina Tešanović



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