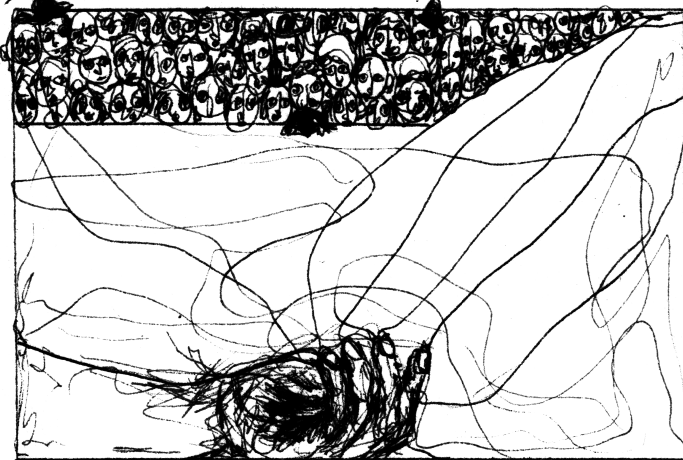


The "most-kissed face of all time", a partially true story



Her beauty was breathtaking, & showed few signs of distress at the time of passing. So bewitching that I knew such must beauty as be preserved.



In the late 1880s, an unidentified young woman was found drowned in the River Seine, thought to have committed suicide.

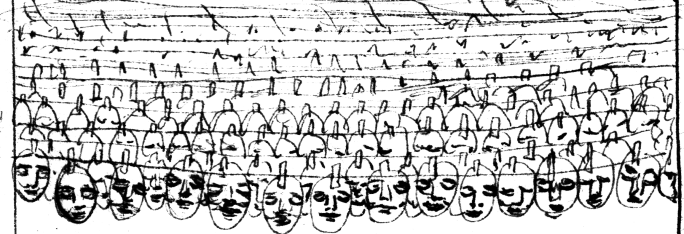
While completing the autopsy, a pathologist from the Paris morgue saw her & was taken with her enigmatic smile.



To capture her mysterious beauty, he created a wax plaster death mask of the drowned woman who was likely not even 20 years old.

Her body was on black marble slab for display at the Paris morgue along the bodies of other unknown dead, for curiosity & identification.

Her death mask became popular to a generation of bohemians.



It was sold Paris, Germany

replicated across then &

all over

Europe.



and then...

In the mid-1950s



anesthesiologists Peter J. Safar & James Elam were working on a new resuscitation technique (CPR) & collaborated with toy maker Arne S. Jaerdal to create a training mannequin to demonstrate this knowledge at mouth-to-mouth resuscitation.



Jaerdal had seen The Unknown Woman of the Seine hanging on the wall at his parents' house & chose her face for Rescue Annie, a life-sized mannequin with an "abnormal".

Decades earlier, her body was disposed of in an unmarked pauper's grave



There, she continued decomposing in the earth...

blackening skin at the ideal beauty communing with the blowflies, maggots, & worms.

the Anne toy doll



After the war, Jaerdal had begun experimenting with salt plastic, a new mass-produced material, to make a children's doll with "sleeping eyes & natural hair."

In the late 1950s



this mannequin was introduced to the world, known also as Rescue Annie, CPR Annie, Resuscitation Annie, & Little Annie, a CPR dummy still used all over the world.

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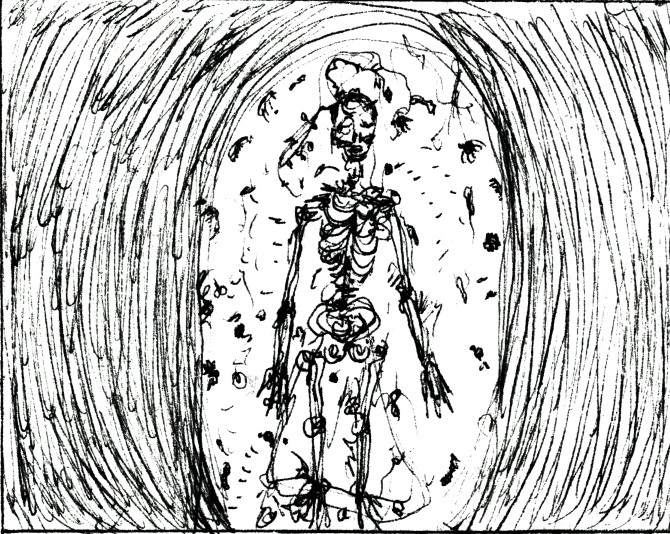


"She looks like she's just asleep and waiting for Prince Charming." - Chief Brigadier Paschal Jacquie of the Paris river police

She slept restless for many years... sensing kisses placed on the likeness of her old face

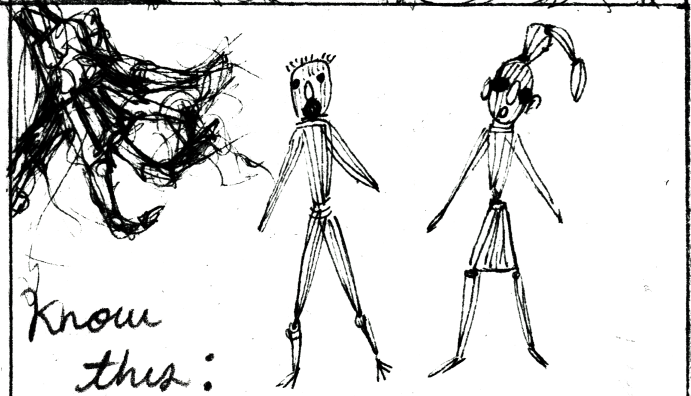
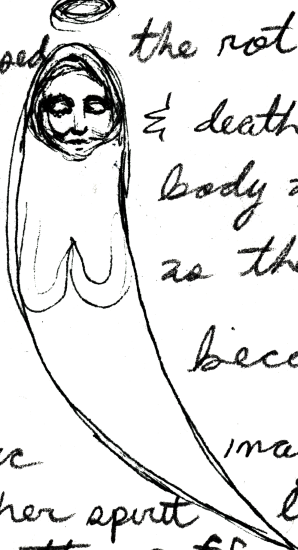
As she willed the nearby plants & creatures to help her wake & move through the world as her new self in a new body.

And she woke up.
And she was angry.



The death mask haunted her. It disguised the rot of her drowning & death, & her real body as it became, as they all become.

An angelic image trapping her spirit like a pretty cotten.



Know this:

To this day, if someone dares force a kiss on someone, or turn someone (like an ex-lover) into a shrine or doll, she will find you. And kiss you. Or kill you. Or both.

When she has kissed twice as many times as her likeness, then she will finally rest.



In the meantime, CPR Annie can continue teaching the Kiss of life, while she will bestow the kiss at death.

Sleeping beauties will have their revenge.