

I Am a Vessel for the Medium of Photography

Yo. What's popping people? It's Dante.

We're in the underground. Check it out.

We the new kings of the underground. 🏆

What It Means to Be a Vessel

I'm a **vessel for the medium** of photography.

What does that mean?

It means I'm **completely empty right now.**

No food digesting. My gut is clear.

There's a straight line between my gut and my mind.

My eyes are sharp. My mind is still.

"When I'm empty, I see clearly. When I see clearly, I move intuitively."

Snapshots and the Ricoh GR

I'm walking the street with my camera in hand — wrist strap connected.

Ricoh GR. Small. Concealed. Invisible.

Feels like I'm not even holding a camera.

Everything's automatic:

- High contrast black and white

- Small JPEGs
- Everything baked in

All I do is **point and shoot**.

Middle finger on the shutter. Boom.

*“I’m not composing. I’m not calculating. I’m just **seeing**.”*

Chaos, Beauty, and Being Present

- That guy had a cool hat.
- That woman? Beautiful. Took her photo. She smiled.
- Another guy was carrying around clippings of bikini photos — peculiar.
- Glad I got out alive.

This is what I love: **You walk into chaos with courage**, and it feels like floating on a feather bed.

Nothing will stop you.

Intuition Over Intellect

I’m not building a frame with foreground, middle ground, background.

I’m not using my rational mind.

I’m responding to life with my **gut**. My **intuition**. My **primal instinct**.

*“**The magic of photography lies in the irrational response — not in the controlled composition.**”*

No contrivance. Just connection.

Anti-Style, Maximum Contrast

My work? It's *anti-style*.

Just:

- **Light**
- **Shadow**
- **Maximum contrast**
- **Zero expectations**

No project. No theme. No book. No gallery show.

I'm walking. I'm observing. I'm alive. And I'm clicking the shutter when my soul says *yes*.

Reveal the Heart

"Photography is just courage and curiosity made visible."

That's all it is.

And *courage*? From the Latin *cor*, meaning **heart**.

So when I shoot, I reflect my **heart**.

I reveal my **soul**.

I live through **curiosity**.

Flow State and Spiritual Practice

This process? It's spiritual.

I enter a flow state. I forget what I'm doing.

"I'm not trying to become anything. I'm just being."

No seriousness. Just *play*.

No control. Just *response*.

Empty Yourself

- Empty the body.
- Declutter the mind.
- Photograph through intuition.

This is how you become a **vessel for the medium**.

Forget the rules. Forget the masters. Forget what you think you're supposed to find.

Walk. See. Respond.

That's all I've got in this chaotic frenzy of thoughts.

Peace.