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WHEN SHEZSHE MEETS ALFRED TARAZI - AN ACT OF FAITH OR THE WILL TO CREATE AN EPHEMERAL MEMORIAL IN BEIRUT...



ALFRED TARAZI - CULTURAL ACTIVIST

...there is a big elephant in the room...

It all started 5 years ago in a bar, when I met Alfred and asked him about his life, he replied "I want to do a ephemeral memorial for those who died in the Lebanese war".

I didn't get to see Alfred after that night. But when I started working on my project, I remembered the

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memorial and decided to give him a call.

Located in an industrial neighborhood of the capital, I discovered a cartoon-like, antique, twisted and unusual environment . In Alfred's world are exposed headless bodies and bodyless heads, relics from another era and plenty of other bizarre items that fit right in.

On that day he was working with his assistant, Tahar, on some paintings for an exhibition that will allow him to partially finance his memorial project.

Alfred's soul purpose is to get this memorial done, and confront a certain collective amnesia ....

He wishes with some friends, to install small lights spread out across Beirut, that would lit once we've name them with the name of a victim and commemorate together our departed, during one night. There will be as many lights as there are victims.

Lebanon's recent history is a burden on so many levels and I can see it everyday in my world. We often hear people complain that most Lebanese films, arts are about the war and that it's time to move on - the past is the past, let's look into the future now.

I agree... though 20 years of civil war can't be forgotten that easily... People like you and me have courageously or foolishly died in this painful period...

So... is a memorial necessary and why? Why ephemeral?...

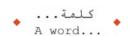
## Alfred 's website

about The Feel Collective

ألفريد طرزي - الثقافية ناشط

هناك الفيل في الغرفة...

...arabic translation coming soon



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