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We are Climate Revolution. We are intellectuals. We are building the intellectual movement starting within the colleges and universities.

You must come and join us.

We will win/Stop climate change/Build a green economy.

Everybody is talking / But only our map gives the complete picture.

The ice is melting / Fracking releases tons of methane / Water is more precious than oil / Plastic kills the albatross / There is no end to migrants / Perpetual War / Floods + hurricanes.

Sow the whirlwind,
Reap the " "

If the bees die, we die / Austerity is stupid / Violence is.....

Intellectuals Unite!

Murdering mainstream media / Killing us with Confusion / Scatterbrains.

Bits of information / Lies / Non-stop Distraction
Intellectuals tell the Truth!

Give us the picture—

You know the past, present + future
Speak with one voice!

— Culture not consumption.

(Go to Frank Auerbach at Tate Britain)

Give us the map—

Red is uninhabitable / Green is all that's left.



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IN CONVERSATION WITH
CAMPAIGNER AND
JUNIOR DOCTOR
LAUREN GAVAGHAN

JUNIOR DOCTORS V.S SPIN DOCTORS

On Monday the 14th of March, The London College of Fashion hosted Vivienne Westwood in conversation with Dr Lauren Gavaghan. Dr Gavaghan has been hugely active fighting the cuts and unsafe contracts threatening to undermine the medical profession nationwide.

I was hugely inspired by her knowledge, passion and drive to combat the injustice at the core of the Conservative regime- to debunk the media myths and right wing rhetoric threatening the NHS itself.

In fact, the credibility of the press was a central issue of the night. In recent weeks Lauren has been repeatedly demonised and slandered by the mainstream media. Her words are either twisted or ignored. When she spoke at the junior doctor's demonstrations of February 4th, for instance, it was her political opponents' words which became headlines. Lauren and her allies were cast as trouble makers- reduced to mute clips of angry sign waving. Tonight was a rare opportunity to hear her thoughts uncensored.

She explained one of the greatest tricks that has been played against the junior doctors, is the term "junior doctor" itself. A junior doctor sounds like a student, someone inexperienced or insignificant. The term infantilises the profession, obscuring their importance. It makes their plight seem like a petty pay dispute. In fact, a "junior doctor" is a fully qualified doctor. They deal with life and death every day. Would we put an overtired pilot on an understaffed plane? Of course not. Yet our government

constantly works to foist this strain on those who hold the lives of our sick and elderly in their hands. Jeremy Hunt justifies his actions with skewed figures and bare faced lies. He claims hospitals kill at the weekends, so we must push towards a "seven day service". Lauren knows of patients endangering their lives over these claims- putting off vital treatment for fear they can not be helped until Monday.

"LIFE AND DEATH"

Yet every major peer reviewed journal proves that Hunt is wrong. Hospitals do work on the weekend. The NHS does not grind to a halt for two days a week. So why the claims to the contrary? Dr Gavaghan encourages us to always ask this question- to question reality as presented in the mainstream media. Why the cuts? Why the lies? Why are politicians getting a pay rise while the NHS budgets are slashed and nurses lose their student bursaries?

We must find the answers to these questions ourselves.

This our intention with Intellectuals Unite- to form a movement of questioners, campaigners, experts and thinkers. A growing movement which loves the world and will do anything to preserve it.

ALICE PIKE+ CLEMENTINE FIELL

WHAT ARE YOU PROTESTING AGAINST?

Junior Doctors, which include all doctors who are not yet Consultants, and may have been working for 8-10 years+ already, are protesting against the imposition of an unsafe and unfair working contract. The Secretary of State for Health, Jeremy Hunt has now said that he shall impose a working contract on 54,000 doctors, despite doctors telling him repeatedly that this is not safe- for our patients or for us.

WHAT ARE YOUR AIMS?

We are asking that Jeremy Hunt drops imposition of the contract and starts talking with junior doctors again. He has so far refused, but the hope is that he will do this. He and David Cameron could avert the strike today if they wanted to. We have so far had four periods of industrial action as a last resort. It is the first time in 40 years that doctors have been on strike. All junior doctors were balloted by our union and an unprecedented 98% voted in favour of full strike action.

WHAT EFFECT WOULD THE PROPOSED CONTRACTS HAVE ON OUR NHS?

At present, the NHS is stretched beyond belief. We are approximately 23,000 nurses and 6000 doctors short. This means that even now, there are huge rota gaps. This means some doctors are essentially working 2 doctors jobs. The government wants to spread the SAME number of doctors more thinly, over 7 days rather than 5. The problem with this is that they have not set aside any new money to do this with, they have not costed or modelled this plan, there is no evidence that this would be any better and there are simply not enough staff to deliver it.

The real fear is that this is part of a process towards further privatisation of the NHS which has been going on for years by stealth. Sadly the public have little idea of just how rapidly their NHS is being sold off into private hands..

HOW CAN WE GET INVOLVED?

Write to your MP, tell them what you think, come and join doctors on the picket lines across the country during strike days. Join rallies and marches, get on social media and join in the debate. Telephone in to radio shows and have your voice heard. Let the country know that you value your doctors and your NHS. And get on a Vivienne Westwood designed Support Junior Doctors T Shirt in support from wearyournhs.com !





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FROM "PROTEST" SERIES

By the signing of deeds
they invade our cities.

By the smoke of their
chimneys they invade
our skies.

By the turn of their phrase
they invade our thoughts.

By the light of their bombs
we catch glimpses of the
world they own.

Capital has many arms.

**Which would
you like to
wrestle first?**



DEATH & TAXES

SAM
MORLEY

Life's two great inevitabilities. Unless, of course, you are rich. Year upon fiscal year, the public services my parents and grandparents fought tooth and nail to build are syphoned off by the Right.

Higher education, healthcare free at the point of use, assistance for the less abled. We are told that Britain, the fifth richest country on earth, cannot afford such luxuries. But the recently leaked Panama papers are just further evidence of what we already knew. The wealth does exist to provide properly for all – it is simply kept out of our hands. The fruits of global capitalism are spirited away to offshore accounts. Held in vast intangible pools of wealth, and never ever allowed to trickle down.

Depending on who you ask, these offshore accounts represent between 21 and 32 trillion US dollars – ten times the GDP of the whole United Kingdom. In my view, every single dollar is a theft from the working man or woman.

Ironically, it is always the Right who harp on about patriotism, who use this idea to goad us into war or convince us to stomach hardship. Yet it is also the Right who take every single opportunity they can to rob and betray the nations they claim to love.

The 1% may not yet be able to bribe the reaper, but the taxman stands no chance.



WHY STUDENT ACTIVISM?

ANA OPPENHEIM



It's been a year since a group of UAL students went into the CSM reception area and stayed there for a month. What was meant to be a short and spectacular protest against cuts to Foundation courses, not consulted with students or trade unions, turned into a life-changing experience. We slept on the floor, took turns cooking meals for the rest of the group, made art and played games until the small hours. But more than anything, we talked – about the structures of our university and our education system, about social and economic inequality, about the struggles of oppressed groups and about making the occupation as horizontal, democratic and inclusive as possible. We built a model micro-society, based on sharing resources, dividing tasks, taking all decisions together and constantly educating ourselves. After Occupy Wall Street, anthropologist and activist David Graeber wrote:

"Hundreds of thousands of Americans now have direct experience of self organisation, collective action, and human solidarity. This makes it almost impossible to go back to one's previous life and see things the same way."

This was, and still remains, my experience. Few things are more empowering than being part of a democratically and voluntarily run collective, united by a common cause. In a neoliberal society, good activist groups are little utopias, which give some hope that perhaps humanity isn't doomed, and another system is possible. But it's not enough to close ourselves in tiny enclaves of nice people who agree with us. Outside the sit-in and the General Assembly, there are painfully, deadly real problems (do I really need to name them?). The point of activist groups – to some this isn't as obvious as it seems – is to support each other while we go out there and collectively change the world. Enough of the big words. In practice, this isn't always as glamorous as it sounds. Sometimes it involves speaking at a rally or dropping

a banner off the top of a building. Another time, it's sending a well-researched, strongly-worded email and getting a meaningless two-sentence response. It's dealing with repression and bullying when those in power realise that you're a threat to the status quo. And, more often than not, it's struggling not to get frustrated in the face on apathy, ridicule and defeat. But then come the moments that remind you that activism still matters. Two years ago, students working with trade unions, got UAL to commit to paying all its staff at least the London Living Wage. In November, after months of campaigning done by students and staff, our university finally divested from fossil fuels – and the global divestment movement is growing in power. Recently, Tate gave in to the pressure to cut links with BP. Anti-deportations campaigners have saved the lives of many asylum seekers. On top of these headline-grabbing wins, there are the subtler ones: shifts in public attitudes leading to very real changes in the long-term.

"LITTLE UTOPIAS"

A lot of these things were achieved by tiny grassroots groups, with flat structures and a shoestring budget. Many of them wouldn't have happened if it wasn't for students, who dedicate the little time they have after going to class, writing essays and working multiple part-time jobs, to trying to make a difference. Being a campus activist can be exhausting, but it's one of the most incredible experiences I've ever had. I met David Graeber in a pub once, after a demo organised by students against rising rent in halls. I said it's nice that he still finds the time to support local student campaigns. "It's fun," he replied. I agreed.

BREXIT

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How did Britain get here? Tearing ourselves off from our closest neighbours, building walls along the Channel. As a young person – as a Londoner – this seems to run contrary to what I felt in my bones to be the just march of history. Now, at the very start of the 21st century, this seems like a preemptive admission of defeat. A withdrawal from grasping those great global thorns – climate change, international co-operation and peace.

Yet here we are – the future a blank page before us. A terrifying moment to be sure, but exhilarating. Is it possible to see this as an opportunity? To fill the space in our hearts left by Union with another mode of co operation? Grass roots, young, hopeful, totally global? If we cannot find the utopia we want in the world outside, then all we can do is attempt to build it ourselves. That long struggle begins with simple changes to our thoughts and actions. Little hopeful acts of care and preservation.

It is hard to find this clarity of thought. The culture in which we live seems a total paradox. We are ever more connected to each other and yet more atomised than ever. We have more information available than at any other point in history – and yet we seem unable to find the real story. In these times of radical complexity perhaps the most revolutionary thing to do is say something simple. Try this: "I love those of all nations and I care deeply for the earth".

That may seem childish to the modern cynic – but from simple phrases like that flow the greatest tendencies of humankind. Perhaps, over time, from them a new type of union will form. The simple things may just save us all.

Clementine Fiell

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