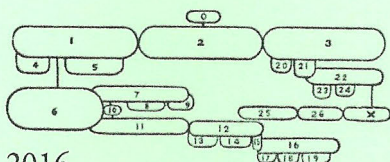


Veggie Joy

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A Present Tense Pamphlet

Manifesto

What is a vegetable?
Is a tomato a vegetable?
Is a squash a vegetable?
Is a can of corn a vegetable?

Watermelon Decisions

Collaborative Choreography Slippery

1. Busby Berkeley Tribute
2. Peyton's Lunge
3. Kevin's sweep, two times
4. Peyton's Lunge
5. Kevin's Sweep, one and a half times
6. Allen's Squat Monkey, three times
7. Vanessa's slippery walk around circle, one time
8. Chloe's gradual fall, step step fall, rudabaga hands
9. Kevin's Sweep, one time
10. Bugsby Berkeley Tribute
11. Bob Fosse Tribute
12. Sit down
13. Planting the garden: Furrow line one
14. Gay harvest ritual
15. Tonie's Flipflop crawl, one direction and the other
16. Sit with noise
17. Go stand at random wall (like Yvonne Rainer)
18. Count to 10



Sounds of Veggie Joy

-splat
-whoosh
-squish
-laugh
-laugh louder
-clap
-slap
-pop
-groan
-ooze
-phth

Give me 70%
Less Joy

Smell of Veggie Joy

- musky
- sweet
- solid
- cypher
- green
- memory
- bitter
- pungent
- sharp
- onion
- fresh
- body

You never smell
the rotten left-
overs

Taste of Veggie Joy

- tingly
- tangy
- crunchy
- cool
- flesh
- dirt
- earth
- must
- mineral
- history
- bitter
- ripe
- adrenaline
- grass

Submission
never tasted so
good

The Touch of Veggie Joy

- damp
- cool cool ejaculate
- hard
- fleshy
- squishy
- wet
- warm
- rough
- hair
- rubber
- mesh -pressure
- muscle
- corpuscle
- breath -dissolving
- lick - lost
- burial - reliable
- plastic
- osmosis
- stringy

If I can
touch your
utopia you
can touch
mine

The “Aura” of Veggie Joy

- reproducible
- remixable
- delicious with
lemon
parsley dressing

Twice Removed From

Carolee Schneemann = Meet Meat Joy

Art History

Allen + Vanessa

=

Vegetables

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