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A proposal for an Interactive installation from elements relating to the meaning of love.

Exploring Love, Art, People & Places

Meta- thinking

An Artist has unique opportunities to put forward ambitious and creative ideas that help us enjoy a more optimistic future



## WELCOME INVITATION

WHAT IS LOVE?

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## SOLO EXHIBITION

'Amoreopolis'

A journey with the invisible city of love

**Materials:** Drawings, Photographs, Thoughts, Ideas and Creative Writing.

Site – Specific Interactive installation. Portable elements and installed in a gallery space.

Themes – Love, Travel & Ambition.

Scale: Objects placed on walls, the floor, a colourful mobile

LOCATION: Helsinki / Britain / Venice / Australia / USA / Online / Social Media & hannahroach.com

Amoreopolis is a fictional name that combines the word:

**Amore** <3 **love** in Italian, with the suffix "-opolis," which typically signifies a city or a place. This is a city of love or a place where love is celebrated and cherished while addressing the question what is love?

A sense of romance, passion, and affection. It suggests a place where love is central to the culture, atmosphere, or theme. The exact meaning or context of "Amoreopolis" can be shaped and defined based on its usage within a specific story, artwork, or concept.

The playful nature of connecting the art & audience through participating in a time-based Installation.

### What is love?

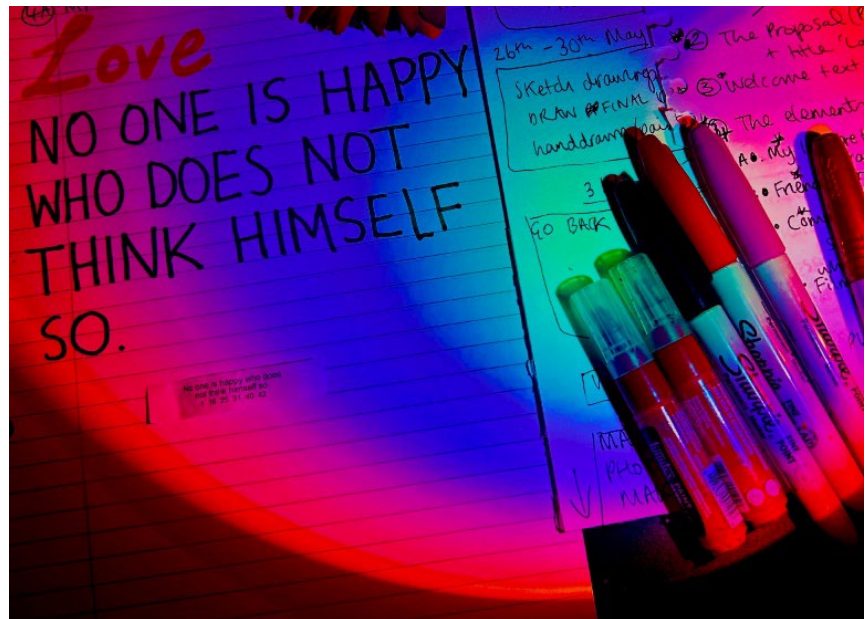
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Unveiling Emotions



## Amoreopolis

'City of Love'

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### Love as a City

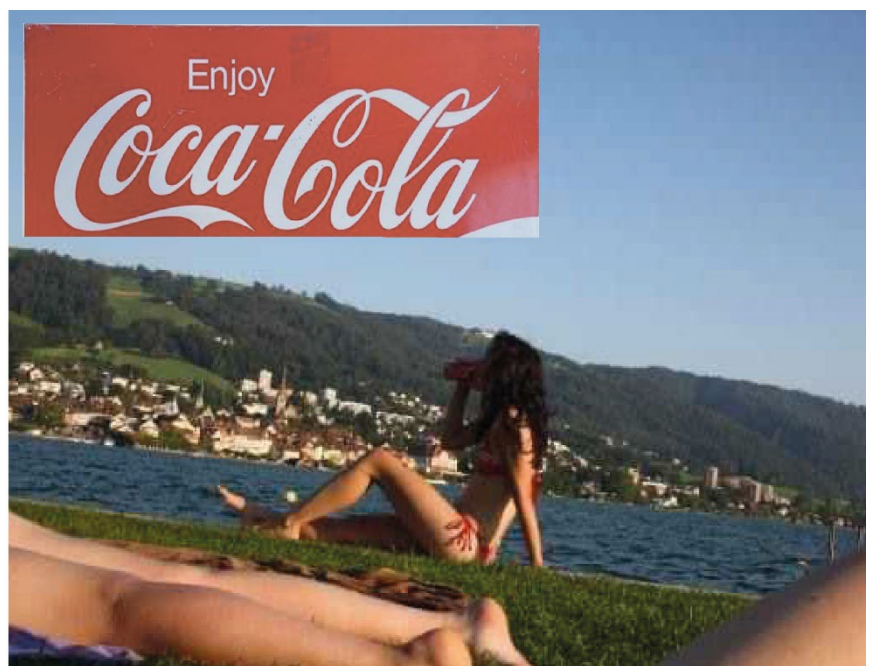
#### Journeys of reflections, thoughts and ideas.

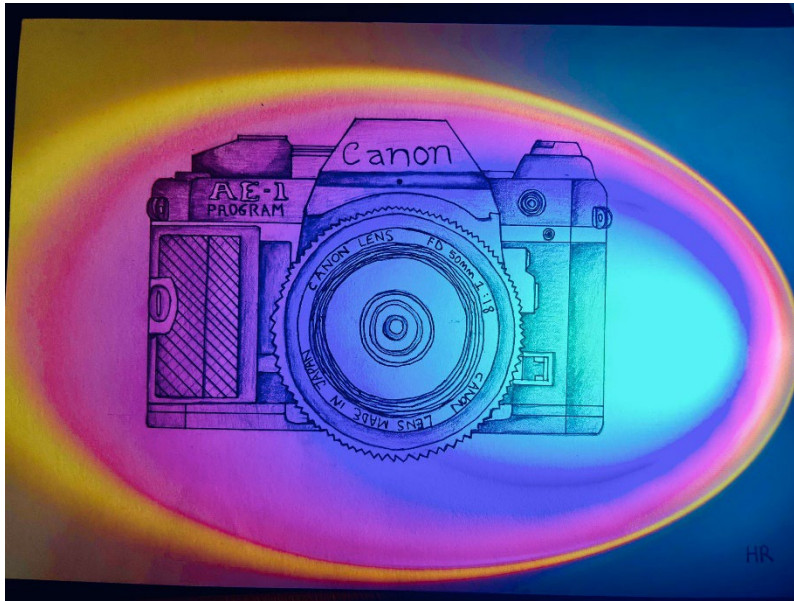
No one is happy who does not think themselves so – inside a fortune cookie given to me in San Francisco, March 2023

Beyond Affection

First person point of view

My Interpretation of Love is the creative process of making artwork, discovering new ideas.





## Ways of Seeing

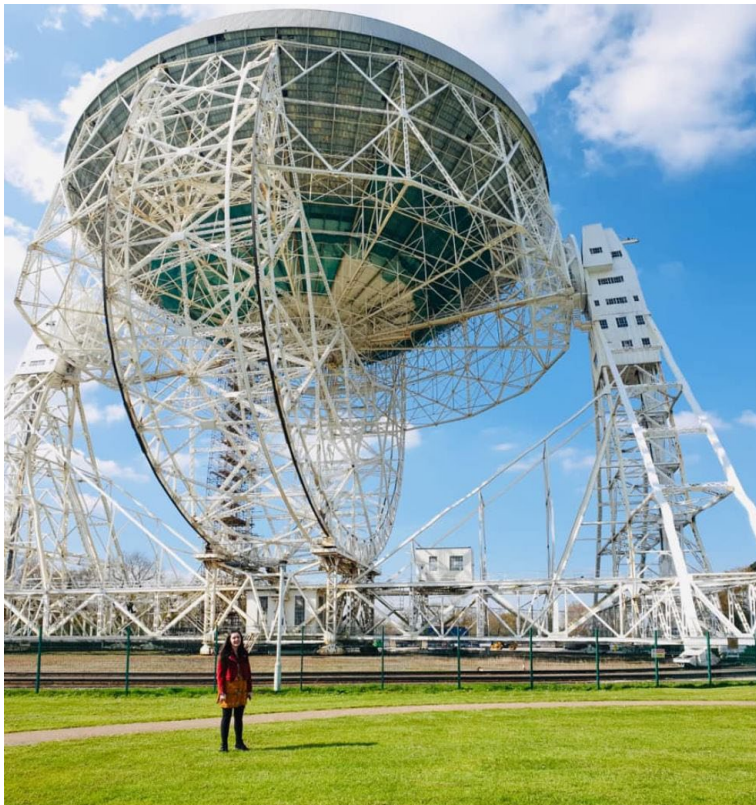
Everyone can be happy.  
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so.

In a realm beyond the  
grasp of ordinary  
cartography, where reality  
and imagination entwine,  
there exists a city of  
ethereal essence, a city  
known simply as Love.

Here, in this enigmatic and ever-shifting metropolis, the streets are not paved with cobblestones or adorned with architectural marvels, but with the intangible emotions that bind us together.

Love is a city of contradictions, a place where beauty and pain converge, where joy and heartache intermingle like the threads of a delicate tapestry. Its avenues wind through the intricacies of human connections, leading its inhabitants on a perpetual quest for understanding and vulnerability.

As you venture into Love, the air becomes suffused with an indefinable energy, an aura of anticipation that whispers in the ears of those who dare to explore its



**labyrinthine pathways.** Each corner turned reveals a new facet of this **mysterious city**, a revelation that touches the depths of the soul.

**The Architecture of Love** transcends the physical realm. It is constructed not of bricks and mortar, but of intangible moments and shared experiences. Every whispered word of affection, every gentle touch, and every tear shed in the name of passion, contribute to the ever-evolving skyline of Love.

In Love, time takes on a fluid nature, its grasp uncertain. Moments of ecstasy can



stretch into eternity, while heartbreak can feel like an eternal torment. The boundaries between past, present, and future dissolve, leaving only the intensity of the emotions experienced in the present moment.

Love's inhabitants are a tapestry of souls, each one bearing their own story, their own interpretation of this enigmatic city. Their faces reflect the myriad expressions of the heart, etched with the joys and sorrows that Love bestows upon them. They move through the city like actors in a grand performance, their lives intertwined in a symphony of love's melodies.

The streets of Love resonate with whispers and echoes of longing. The city thrives on the interplay between souls, the delicate dance of connection. It beckons its inhabitants to traverse its lanes hand-in-hand, to explore the depths of intimacy and vulnerability that Love offers.

**As the sun sets over Love**, casting a soft glow upon its **ephemeral structures**, the **city reveals its true essence**. It is not the physicality of the buildings or the grandeur of its landscapes that defines Love, but the intangible force that pulsates within its veins. It is a force that transcends boundaries, cultures, and languages, uniting all who dare to embrace its intoxicating embrace.

Yet, Love, like the city itself, remains elusive, forever slipping through our fingers. We can only catch glimpses of its true nature, like a hazy reflection in a dew-kissed mirror. Its ephemeral quality lends it an ethereal beauty, an allure that compels us to continue our search, to wander its streets and alleys in the hope of unraveling its mysteries.

**Invisible and tangible, transient and everlasting**, Love stands as a testament to the complexity and profundity of human emotions. It invites us to delve into the depths of our own hearts, to question, to ponder, and to marvel at the enigma that is Love. For in Love, we find not only the pursuit of understanding, but also the journey of self-discovery.

**As you leave Love behind**, its essence remains etched upon your soul, forever a part of your own narrative. For Love is not merely a city to be



explored; it is an experience that shapes us, molds us, and defines the very essence of our humanity.

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both emotionally and physically.

When contemplating the question

### "What's love?"

Philosophers have offered diverse perspectives and interpretations throughout history. While the concept of love is complex and multifaceted, I can provide you with a range of images, objects, and thoughts commonly associated with love in philosophical discussions:

**Compassion:** Love is often linked with a deep sense of empathy and compassion for others. It involves caring for and understanding the well-being of others,

**Connection and Unity:** Love can be seen as a force that brings people together, fostering connections and unity among individuals. It transcends boundaries and promotes a sense of oneness.

**Love as a Creative Energy:** Philosophers have explored the idea of love as a creative force, inspiring artistic expression, innovation, and the pursuit of beauty in various forms.

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Each philosopher and philosophical tradition may offer unique perspectives and interpretations based on their philosophical framework and understanding of human experience.

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**Love as a Symphony:** Each relationship and interaction is like a complex symphony, with different instruments and melodies intertwining to create a harmonious and beautiful experience.



**Love as a Painting:** Love is an exquisite painting, where every stroke represents a unique moment or memory. The colors and textures symbolize the emotions and depth shared between individuals.



**Love as a Dance:** Relationships are like a graceful dance, where partners move in sync, expressing their emotions and desires through intricate steps and movements.

**Love as a Poem:** Love is a collection of heartfelt verses, capturing the essence of emotions, desires, and vulnerabilities. Each word holds the power to inspire and touch the soul.

**Love as a Garden:** Relationships bloom like a vibrant garden, with various flowers representing different aspects of love—fragrance, beauty, and the nurturing environment where love thrives.

**Love as a Sculpture:** Love is like a sculptor molding clay, shaping it into something beautiful and unique. It requires care, precision, and creativity to craft a lasting bond.

**Love as a Celestial Journey:** Love is an ethereal voyage among the stars, with two souls intertwining and exploring the vast cosmos of emotions, discovering new constellations of intimacy.

**Love as a Melody:** Love is a captivating melody, where each note represents a shared moment or experience. Harmonizing together, the music evokes emotions that words alone cannot convey.



**Love as a Sunbeam:** Love is like a warm and radiant sunbeam, illuminating lives and bringing light into the darkest corners of the heart. It provides comfort, hope, and nourishment.

**Love as a Tapestry:** Love weaves together individual threads of emotions, experiences, and memories,

creating an intricate tapestry that tells the story of a unique connection between two souls.

Love is a complex and multifaceted emotion that encompasses a range of feelings, experiences, and behaviors. It is deeply personal and subjective, making it challenging to define precisely. However, love can be broadly understood as a deep affection, attachment, or care for someone or something.

### Love can manifest in different forms

**Romantic love:** This type of love typically involves passionate feelings, attraction, and a deep emotional bond between two individuals in a romantic relationship.

**Familial love:** Love within families, such as the bond between parents and children, siblings, or extended family members. It often involves feelings of care, support, and a sense of belonging.





**Platonic love:** Non-romantic love that is based on friendship, companionship, and a deep emotional connection. It can involve feelings of trust, loyalty, and support between friends or even within larger social circles.

**Self-love:** The regard and care for oneself, including acceptance, self-respect, and nurturing one's physical, emotional, and mental well-being.

*Love* can also be characterized by its qualities, such as kindness,

compassion, empathy, and selflessness. It is often associated with positive emotions, happiness, and a desire to enhance the well-being of the loved one.

It's important to note that love can be complex and can involve a range of emotions, including joy, happiness, but also vulnerability, pain, and sacrifice. Its expression and experience can vary among individuals and cultures.

Ultimately, love is a deeply personal and subjective experience that is difficult to capture in a single definition. It is a fundamental aspect of human existence that plays a significant role in shaping relationships, connections, and our overall well-being.

**With love & Aloha!**

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