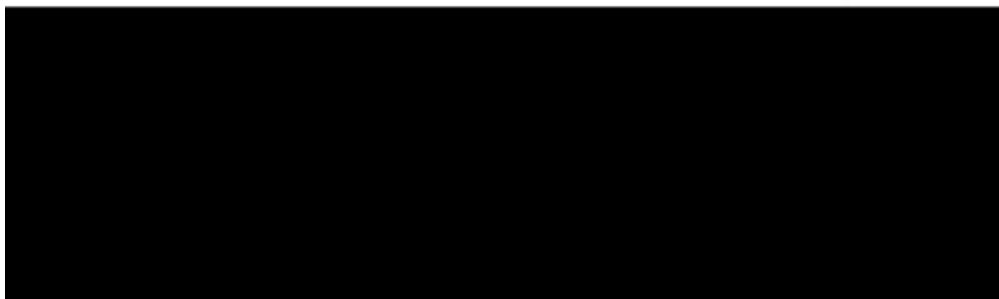




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I--I'M
MAGINING
THINGS--

OH MY
GOD

Amadou...

...41 bullets

NO
NO NO NO
NO

I DON'T KNOW WHAT
THAT HALLUCINATION WAS,
BUT I'M PUTTING SOME
DISTANCE BETWEEN
ME AND IT!



THERE.
A BLUEBIRD.
SOMETHING...

...HAPPY?

Breonna...



...in her own bed



HEY! YOU
THERE!





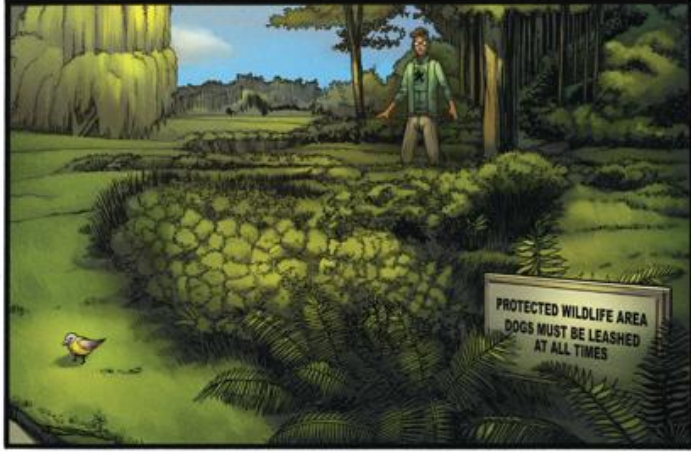
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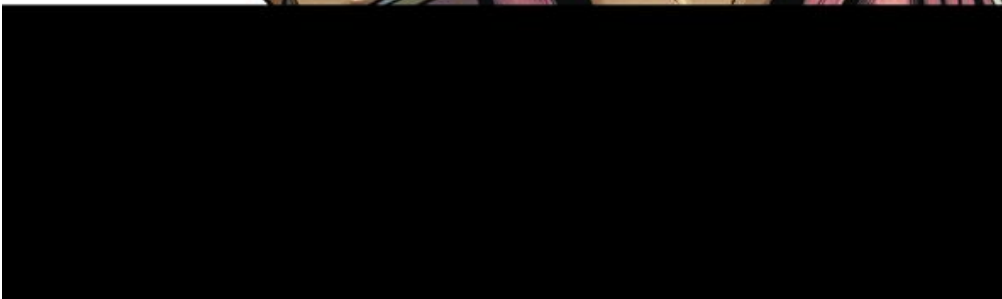


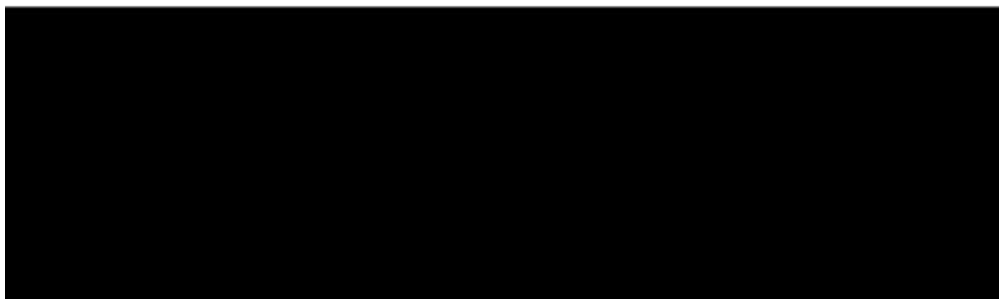
"I can't breathe"

8 minutes, 46 seconds











--up in the sky!

In Memoriam

DC REPRESENT!

CHRISTIAN COOPER

**Birdwatching
IS
NOT
A
CRIME!**



ALOOFER_

CLAIRE STRAUTMANIS 2020



The writer in NYC, next to street art inspired by his encounter with racism while birding in Central Park.

The binoculars he was using at the time of the incident were a 50th-birthday gift from his father, a civil rights activist and Korean War vet.

While the specter of police violence on black and brown bodies passed him by that morning, others haven't been so fortunate.

**These are only a
FEW of their names...**

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DC REPRESENT!

AMADOU DIALLO

(1976-1999)

**WAS AN UNARMED, INNOCENT
IMMIGRANT FROM WEST AFRICA
LIVING IN NEW YORK CITY.**

**HE WAS SITTING ON HIS OWN DOORSTEP
WHEN APPROACHED BY
SEVERAL POLICE OFFICERS.**

**WHEN HE PULLED OUT HIS WALLET TO SHOW THEM
HIS IDENTIFICATION, THEY SHOT HIM DEAD
IN A HAIL OF **41** BULLETS.**

**AMADOU HAD CALLED HIS MOTHER 5 DAYS EARLIER TO
TELL HER THAT HE HAD RAISED \$9,000 TO PAY FOR
COLLEGE COURSES.**

**HE WAS DETERMINED TO MAKE IT ON HIS OWN AND
DREAMED OF BECOMING A COMPUTER PROGRAMMER.**



BREONNA TAYLOR (1993-2020)

AN EMERGENCY ROOM TECHNICIAN, LAY IN BED IN HER HOME IN LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY, WHEN POLICE OFFICERS EXECUTED A **NO-KNOCK WARRANT** TO SEARCH FOR DRUGS—EVEN THOUGH THE REAL DRUG SUSPECTS USED A HOUSE FAR AWAY.

IN THE ENSUING CHAOS, BREONNA WAS SHOT **9 TIMES.**

NO DRUGS WERE EVER FOUND.

BREONNA LOVED CARS, AND HER SISTER SAYS SHE WANTED TO START AN ALL-GIRLS CAR GROUP.

DC REPRESENT!

GEORGE FLOYD (1973-2020)

WHO GREW UP IN **HOUSTON**, MOVED TO **MINNEAPOLIS** FOR A BETTER LIFE.

THAT LIFE ENDED **UNDER THE KNEE** OF A **WHITE** POLICE OFFICER, PRESSING DOWN ON HIS **NECK** FOR

8 MINUTES AND 46 SECONDS, AS THREE OTHER OFFICERS STOOD BY **WITHOUT INTERVENING**.

THE CAUSE OF THE ARREST WAS AN ALLEGEDLY **COUNTERFEIT \$20 BILL**.

GEORGE, A FATHER AND GRANDFATHER, WORKED AS A BOUNCER AT A LOCAL NIGHTSPOT, BUT HIS REAL PASSION WAS HIP-HOP MUSIC.

GEORGE'S LAST WORDS WERE A PLEA FOR MERCY:

"I CAN'T BREATHE."

DC REPRESENT!

**THOSE SAME LAST WORDS WERE SPOKEN BY
ERIC GARNER (1970-2014),
WHO DIED IN A WHITE POLICE OFFICER'S
ILLEGAL CHOKEHOLD...**

**...WHILE PHILANDO CASTILE (1983-2016),
IN THE COURSE OF A ROUTINE TRAFFIC STOP,
WAS SHOT DEAD BY POLICE...**

**...AS WAS 12-YEAR-OLD TAMIR RICE (2002-2014),
FOR PLAYING WITH A TOY GUN...**

...AS WAS PATRICK DORISMOND (1974-2000).

SANDRA BLAND (1987-2015)...

...FREDDIE GRAY (1989-2015)...

...AND