

DIY POETS

POETRY

AGAINST

BIGOTRY

A Psalm of Donald (in honour of the first presidential prayer breakfast)

1 Bigotry is my shepherd; They shall not pass. 2 I maketh them to lie down in departure lounges. Or bleedeth beside storm waters. 3 I promoteth my nepotism. I leadeth you in the paths of racist-ness for profits name's sake. 4 Yea, though I tweet through the valley of the shadow of threat; I will fear no facts; for my alternatives are with me; my executive orders and misogyny they comfort me. 5 I preparrest a wall before me in the face of imaginary enemies: I anointest my bouffant with lacquer; my gob runneth over. 6 Surely, spray tan and pussy shall follow me all the days of my term; and I will dwell in the pimp house of the abhorred forever. A Man.

Trevor Wright



THE PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY

Nottingham

The People's Assembly is Nottingham's anti-austerity campaign. We organise against cuts to living standards, wages and benefits and for an alternative that includes investment in jobs and services. The government's cuts programme is aimed at the poorest and most vulnerable in society, while the spivs and speculators who caused the financial crisis are bailed out.

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Numpty Trumpty

Numpty Trumpty planned a great wall

Numpty Trumpty pissed off us all

All right-wing voices

And all right-wing men

Dare not put Trumpty

In front of UN

Andrew Martin, February 2017

Why

Why do some still see war as a solution and not the problem?

Why is laying down your life an act of sacrifice and not an act of stupidity?

Why do some still think bearing arms is a right and not an abuse of rights?

Why don't some see that to carry a gun is to carry a death wish?

Why do some think a gun will end things and not be the beginning of the end?

Why do some see violence as an act of faith and not an act of disgrace?

Why is taking a life away a legitimate response to a life being taken away?

Why don't some see an act of aggression is an act of weakness?

Why don't some see beating a lesson into someone is defeating the learning?

Why do adults leave a child's innocence to the brutality of war's experience?

Why if history is such a good teacher have so many missed the lesson?

Why if we come from the same beginnings do we find so many different endings?

Why do such simple questions have so many wrong answers?

John Humphreys



The US Likes Walls

Trump likes building walls;
 The Mexican wall to stop outsiders
 Getting in.
 The wall against Muslims,
 You won't become resident
 If you're fleeing Isis.

Every billionaire's boy can become President;
 There's a wall for the poor,
 Which you won't get over,
 If you want education
 In this great nation.
 Even if you're middle class
 You won't pass,
 But to the rich
 It's only a white picket fence.

Trump admires the Peace Wall in Palestine,
 Mighty fine.
 There's a wall around Cuba,
 That small island
 That doesn't believe in the invisible hand.
 They believe more in the helping hand.

Frank McMahon

SCARECROW TRUMP

In the distance
a blackbird let out a cry!

A sudden burst of sunlight
had leapt from behind a hill

lighting up the ploughed field
where the scarecrow could be seen

casting his menacing black shadow
across her fluttering brown wings.

Tom Ryder

A World in Turmoil

All sides, please calm down

Forget left-right paradigm

Rulers are laughing

Wounds of division

Won't heal through intolerance

Deep cuts need patience

Violent hatred

inevitably leads to

Society's death

Elites eat your pain.

Suffering: their ambrosia

So starve them with love

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WE ARE THE NAZIS

In World War Two
Britain stood alone
Against the Nazis
We're about to
Stand alone again
Only this time
It's different
This time
We are the Nazis

Andy Szpuk

DIY POETS

@ THE MAZE

INCLUDES ADDED
OPEN MIC

MAY 18TH

AUGUST 10TH

NOVEMBER 9TH

Rhyming

I'm not gonna rhyme your name with rump

Cos it's just too easy

I'm not gonna rhyme your name with dump

Cos that's a bit too queasy.

I'm not gonna rhyme your name with humpty-dumpty

Even though you're grandiose

I'm not gonna rhyme your name with rumpy-pumpy

Cos that's just gross

I'm not gonna rhyme your name with mumps

Even though you are a disease

I'm not gonna rhyme your name with thumper

Though you want the world on its knees

I'm not gonna rhyme your name with grump-

Of course, it's all fake news

I'm not gonna rhyme your name with bum

Though with Putin you do schmooze

I'm gonna align your name with bigotry

There's so much discrimination in your administration

I'm gonna align your name with spinelessness -

Arrests at Standing Rock Reservation

I'm gonna align your name with racism

You're gonna build that wall

I'm gonna align your name with hatred

So vast it does appal.

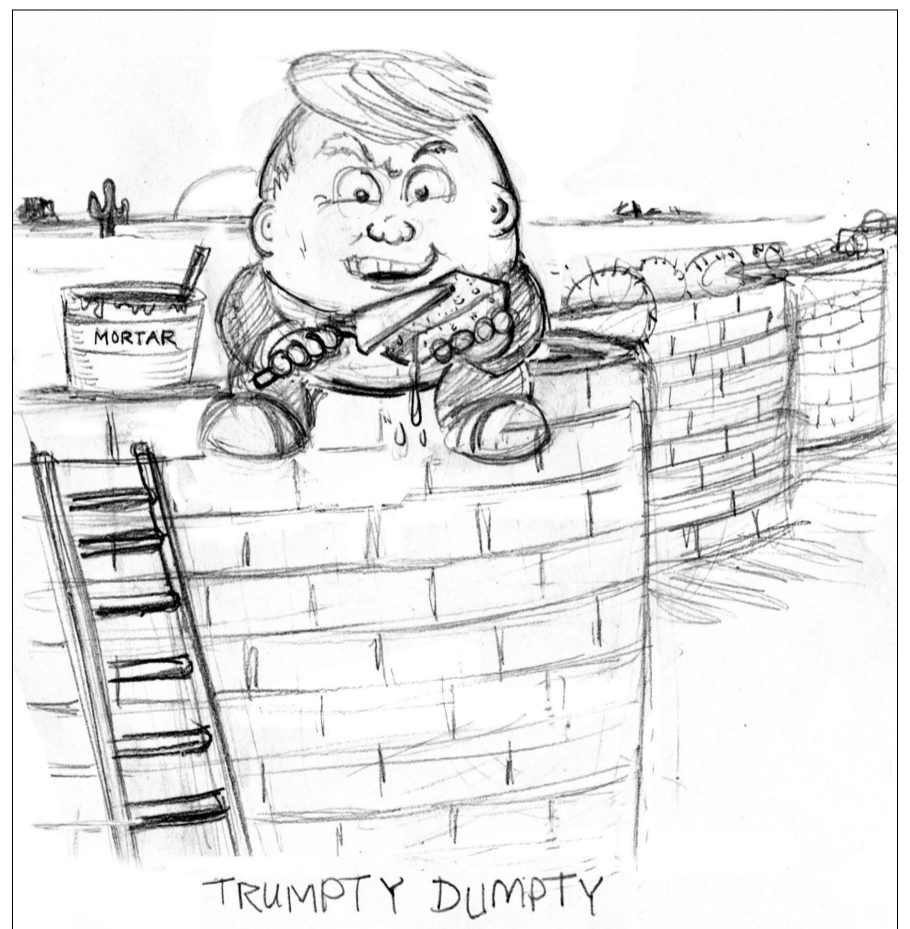
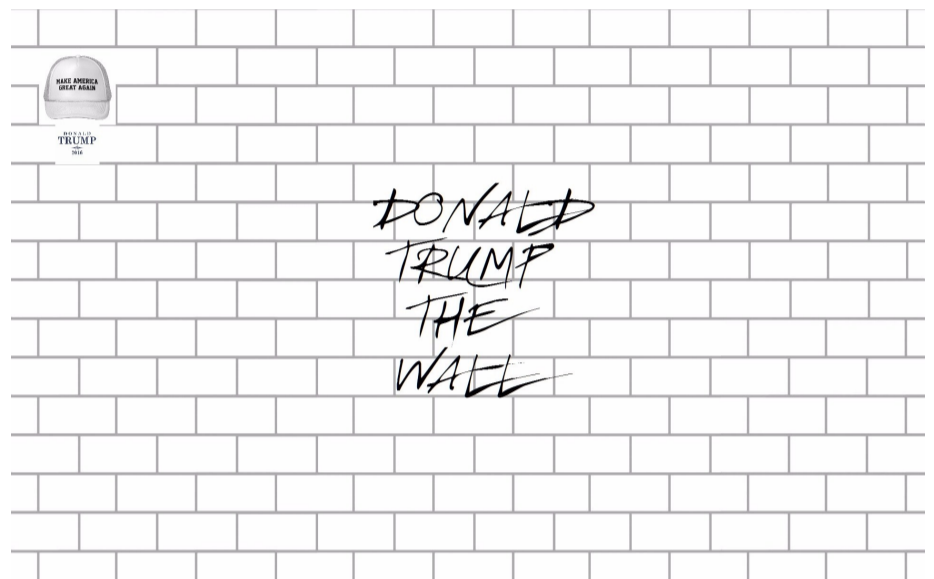
Clare Stewart February 2017

Wall

We don't need your domination.
We don't need your border control.
No dark sarcasm posted on twitter.
Hey! Fart-face leave the world alone!
All in all, you know where you can stick your wall.

We don't need your fascist policies.
We don't need your alternate facts.
No dodgy dealings on the world stage.
Fart-face leave Obama-care alone.
All in all - another prick wanting to build a wall.
All in all, you know where you can stick your wall!

Joy Rice



CONTACT DIY POETS

DIY Poets meet on the first Wednesday of each month, 8pm upstairs at the Broadway Cinema bar. Come along and bring your poems for friendly constructive feedback and get the chance to perform at future DIY Poets events. For more information contact Frank on 07889 765917

We produce a quarterly free A6 magazine and welcome submissions for issue 37. Poems can be on any theme. The only stipulation is that they are short, twenty five lines or less. This is so that they can fit onto a page of A6. Your poem may be great but if its as long as Paradise Lost then it won't get in. The deadline for submissions is April 10th 2017. Poems should be sent to: diypoets@yahoo.co.uk