

**FLUX\_284**

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## WHAT IS FLUX

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FLUX is an open-source chronological photography publishing and archival system. Every 50 photographs automatically becomes a new issue.

### The system generates:

- PDF publication
- contact sheet
- metadata manifest
- original JPEG files
- digital archive update

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### STEP\_01

#### CAPTURE

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CAMERA: compact digital camera

FILE TYPE: small JPEG

COLOR MODE: high contrast black and white

### PURPOSE:

- eliminate processing
- eliminate workflow friction
- maximize speed

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### STEP\_02

#### SELECT

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GENERATE DIGITAL CONTACT SHEET

REVIEW SMALL THUMBNAILS ONLY

MAKE FINAL SELECTIONS  
FROM CONTACT SHEET VIEW

SELECT QUICKLY

### DO NOT:

- overedit
- oversequence
- overanalyze

TARGET: 50 PHOTOGRAPHS PER ISSUE

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### STEP\_03

#### UPLOAD

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DRAG SELECTED FILES INTO:

/FLUX\_UPLOAD/

### RUN:

./flux\_update.command  
OR: python3 flux\_update.py

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### STEP\_04

#### SYSTEM AUTOMATION

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### SYSTEM AUTOMATICALLY:

- detects new photographs
- reads timestamps
- preserves chronological order
- generates derivatives
- creates metadata
- generates SHA256 hashes
- rebuilds manifests
- updates digital archive
- rebuilds timeline
- uploads archive online

### DIGITAL ARCHIVE:

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#### ARCHIVE STRUCTURE

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### DIGITAL ARCHIVE INCLUDES:

- chronological timeline
- issue browser
- downloadable PDFs
- original JPEG files
- metadata manifests
- contact sheets

ALL PHOTOGRAPHS REMAIN  
IN CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER

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### STEP\_05

#### ISSUE GENERATION

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WHEN 50 NEW PHOTOGRAPHS  
ARE DETECTED:

### SYSTEM AUTOMATICALLY:

- creates next FLUX issue
- sequences photographs
- preserves capture order
- generates issue number
- generates issue PDF
- updates publication archive

NO MANUAL LAYOUT REQUIRED

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### STEP\_06

#### PRINT

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PRINT: double sided

PAPER: 8.5 x 11 office paper

STACK PAGES

ALIGN EDGES

DO NOT FOLD

STAPLE LEFT SIDE

USING COVER MARKS

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### STEP\_07

#### ARCHIVE

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STORE ISSUES CHRONOLOGICALLY

PRESERVE ISSUE NUMBERS

MAKE PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE

PRINT

DISTRIBUTE

DOWNLOAD

REPRODUCE

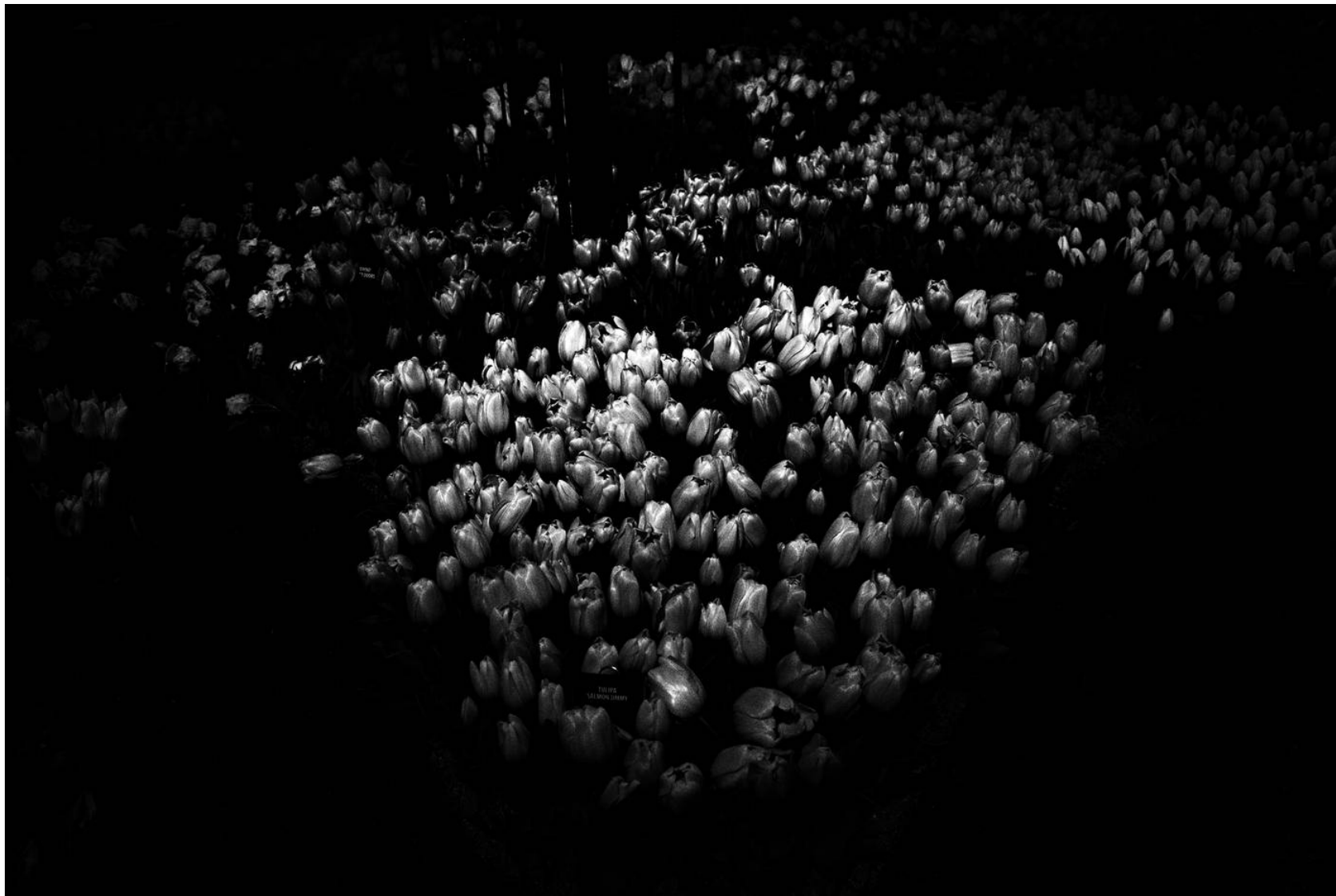
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END\_OF\_PROTOCOL

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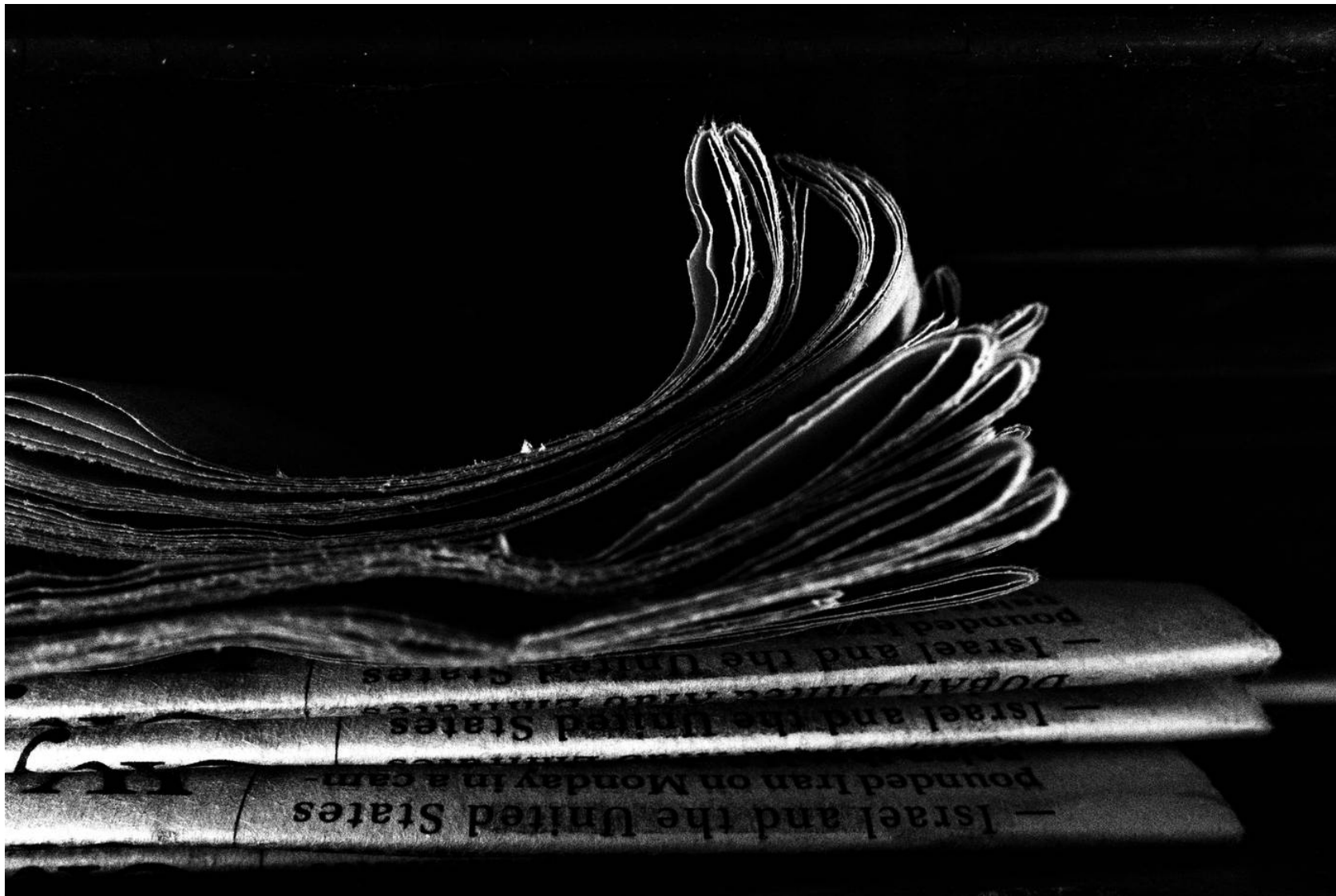














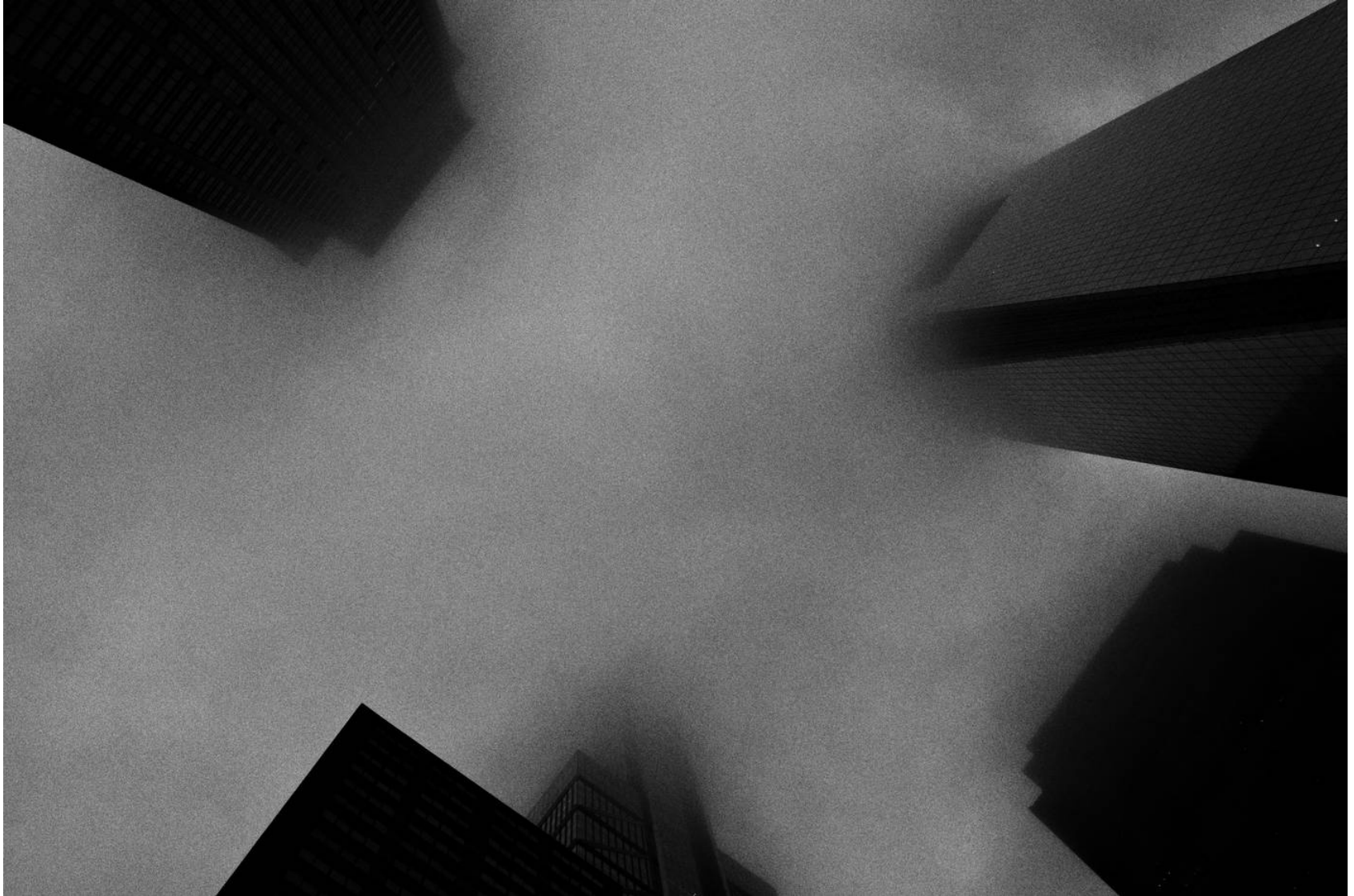






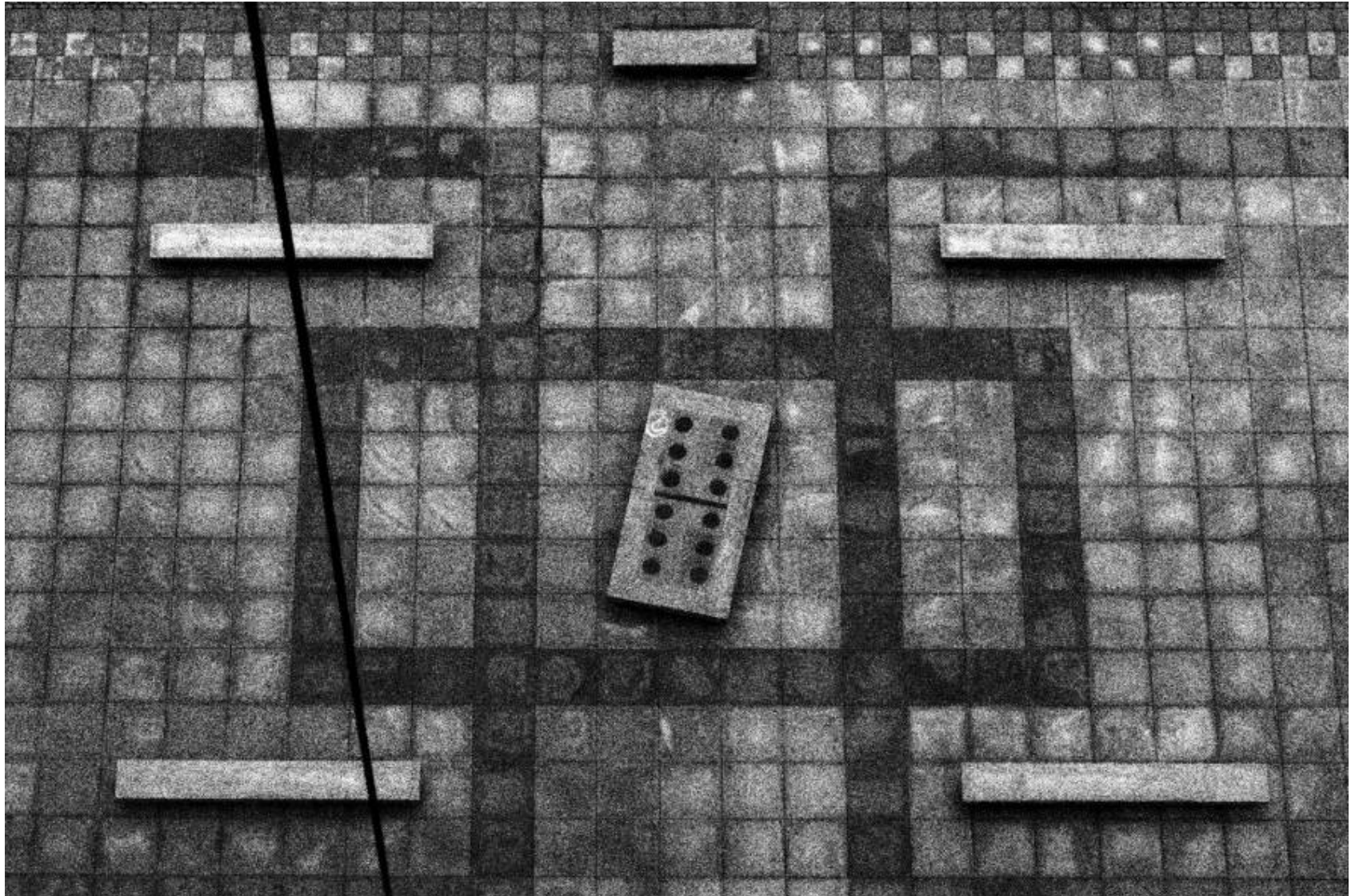


























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By Leo Timm and Vision Times Staff

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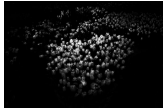




FLUX\_284 — CONTACT SHEET — 50 FRAMES



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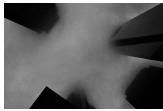
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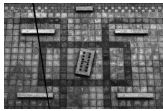
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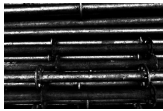
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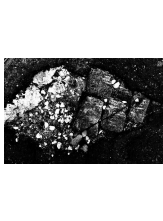
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