

tradition
meets:
occupy

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where are traditional values in the context of the current worldwide political and social events?

the traditional costume as a visual for traditional values and virtues embedded in the environment of the resistance movement occupy frankfurt.

my father:

postwar generation.
traditionally rooted.
aware of his obligations.
aware of his rights?



myself:

raised with a sense of duty
and traditional values.
i am aware of my rights?
do i translate my thoughts and ideas
into concrete action?



my observations during the preparation and the photo-shooting:
my father is not aware of his rights – for example the right for freedom of expression or demonstration. questions and fears already came up in the preparation phase. he doesn't want to do anything wrong. he distinguishes between "those above" and "us down here" – and asks himself "is there anything I can do?" He has great respect for authorities as doctors or professors – they graduated at university. during the shooting on willy-brandt-platz in frankfurt, we exchanged a lot of thoughts – with each other as well as with others. he couldn't understand some written messages because he hasn't got english language skills. but fears, distance and skepticism deviated little by little. he became curious.

a question arises: if even my generation does not understand the world's happenings – topics such as unregulated financial transactions, handling of depths, political decisions, global-warming, nuclear power, etc. – how can the generation of my father understand it?

my language is the picture.
i also do not have answers to many questions.
but maybe the project provokes questioning.

tradition meets: occupy – an experiment.

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the handing down of information, beliefs, and customs by word of mouth or by example from one generation to another without written instruction. cultural continuity in social attitudes, customs, and institutions

{source merriam-webster}

*traditional values and virtues:
honesty, respect, responsibility,
humility, discipline, reliability,
generosity, tact, consideration,
courtesy, bravery*

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the occupy movement is an international protest movement which is primarily directed against economic and social inequality. the first occupy protest to receive wide coverage was occupy wall street in new york city, which began on september 17, 2011. since october 15, 2011 occupy frankfurt has taken residence in front of the european central bank

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