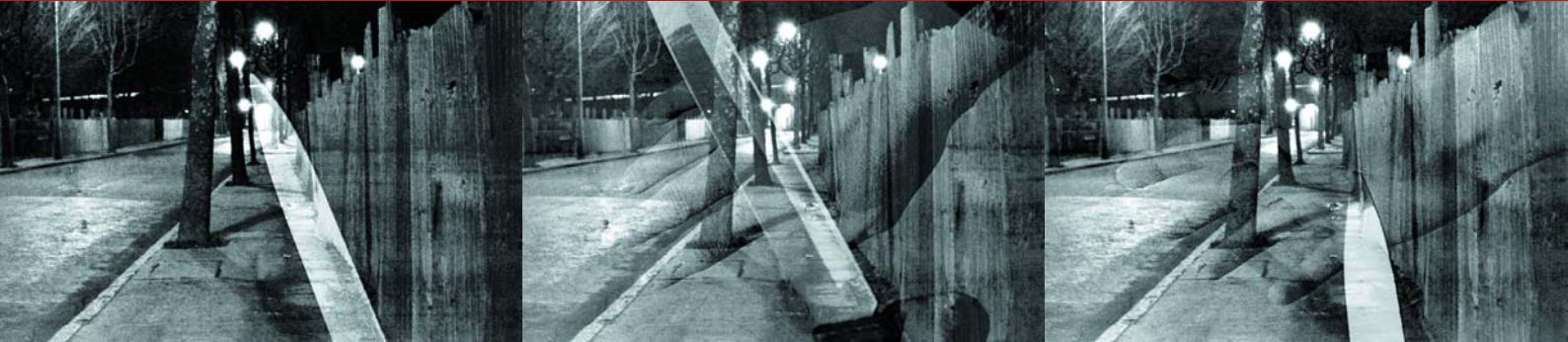


Dialogue with a Rapist 1978 Bermondsey London



Time: 2 am 5th February 1978

Location: St James Road,
Bermondsey, London

Man: be quiet, I've got a knife

Woman: FOR CHRIST'S SAKE! YOU MUST
BE JOKING! YOU'RE NOT SERIOUS!
Man: no I'm not joking... see? I
want you



Woman: JUST FUCK OFF - GO ON FUCK
OFF!
Man: no... you've got to come
around here... if you do as I say
you won't get hurt much

Woman: no No NO!
Man: stop STUGGLING - I'LL HURT
YOU!!
Woman: YOU'VE GOR THE WRONG WOMAN
- THE WRONG WOMAN! CREEP!
I COULD KILL YOU... DON'T YOU
REALISE? You knife me... I don't
care... fucking RACIST!

Man: I just want a woman... any
Woman: ... come on I MEAN IT!
Woman: ... listen, LISTEN! NO WAY!
you are stupid... STUPID! oh god...
you can't be any more than eight-
een...
Man: That's right
Woman: you're not bad looking...
can't you pick up girls in Discos?
Man: they're crap



Woman: I could try and tell you...
god I'm so drunk... I can't get
the words together... you don't
come from around here... you don't
know what you are doing... you
don't know what the people are
like around here... national
front... if I was a different
woman, younger, more frightened...
oh shit...
Man: Tell me
Woman: ... and this woman was
really frightened of black people,
... prejudiced... and you could
do... what you... wanted to do...
Man: Yeah. Go on

Woman: afterwards she would be
very upset... as of course she
would be... and she ran into a
pub, and there was a lock-in...
thirty drunk guys... never mind
you, they would beat up every
black person in the radius of six
miles... and next time it might be
a young black girl walking down
this street and this other woman
... the one you might have
attacked... her husband, her broth-
ers... you know... men would be
waiting... think of your mother...
your sisters... Christ don't you
realise? It just gets bigger and
bigger... sixty people...

Man: you sound as if you're on my
side
Woman: Well... no... don't like
people putting knives against my
throat... but I realise the oppres-
sion... can sympathise with your
anger, but it's always women who
have to pay in the end. You are
just so silly... arn't you
Man: yes I suppose so
Woman: you won't do this again will
you
Man: I guess it was a silly thing
to do... no
Woman: I am going now...
Man: Where do you live?
Woman: Oh... just around here some-
where.
Man: I'll follow you home if you
like
Woman: I think I'll look after
myself thanks - 'bye!

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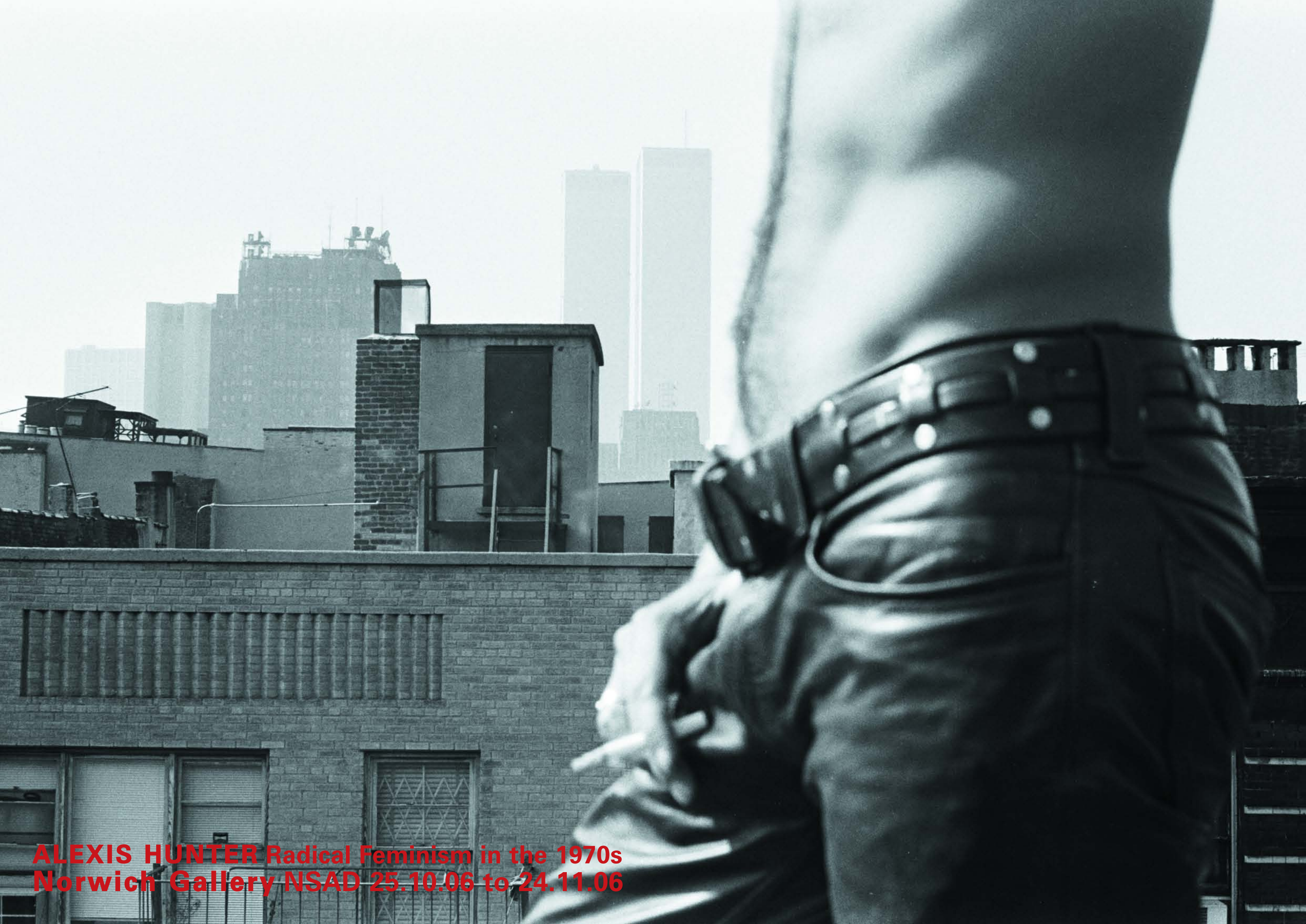
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