



Faded

My soul is crying
Yesterday I was a person
Now I'm a Jew
Yesterday I had a family
Now I'm alone
Yesterday I had a House
Now I've just a line of numbers on my arm
Lost everyone, lost everything!

My star is fading
taking away my hope
a thin thread makes me feel alive
I need someone that comforts me
that wipes away the tears on my face
this fight is consuming me
My dreams are flying away
like my childhood

Ponce, Taron, Danilo



Two Jewish sisters, Eva and Leana Münzer, sitting on a sofa in their home.

Look at them
Look at their innocent eyes
Look at their thoughtless faces
Unware of what will happen
Look at them
When their freedom wasn't violated
When their time was a melody
When their life was going by sweetly

These are my daughters
Their memory is hope
Their smile is like light
That fights the pain
of a bitter tear that flows on my face.

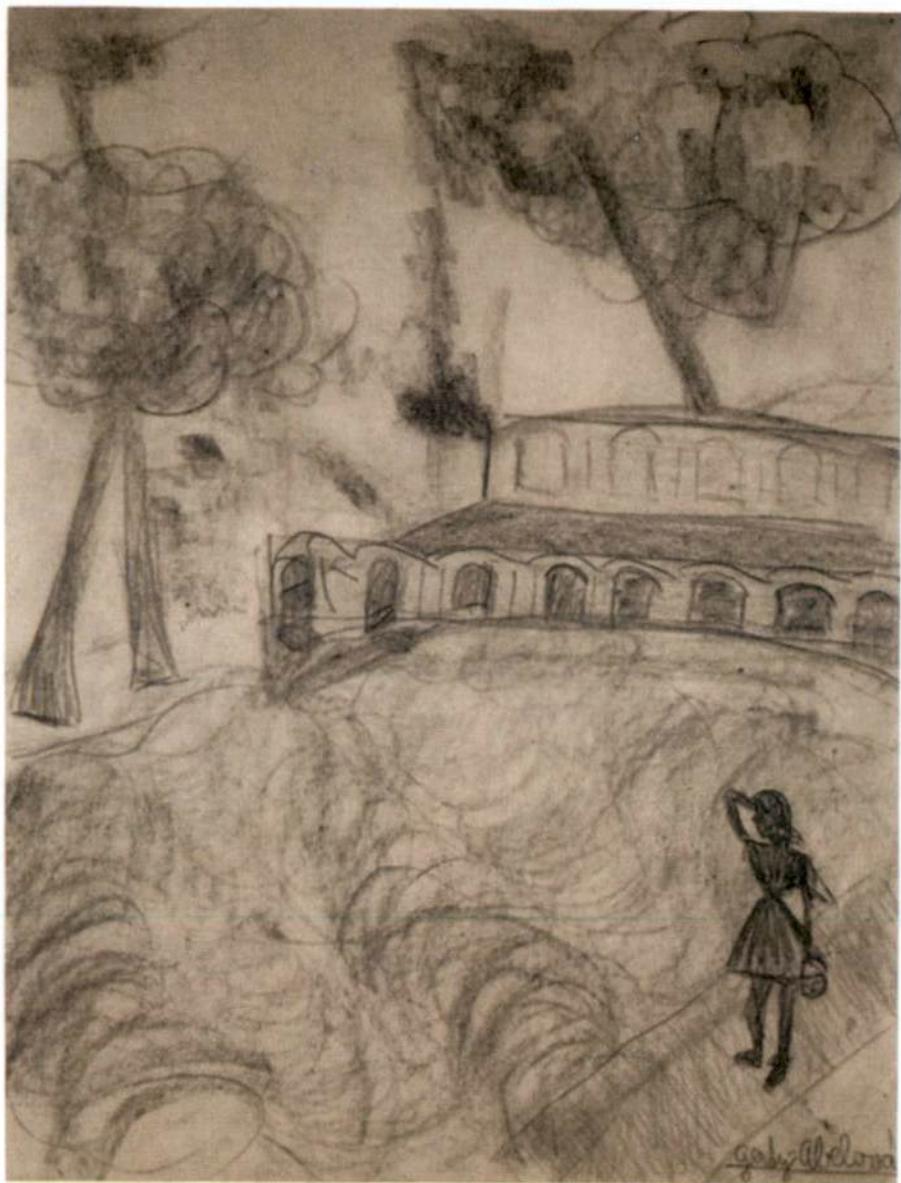
Abiskek Loi
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DREAMS

Happy Children
Walking hand in hand
Smiling Faces
On a shining day
Joyful children
Painted in a black and white photo
Dreaming a future of smiles
and a starry sky
Behind the barbed wire
Everything was lost.

Mattia, Nicolas, Silvia



Gerta Abelová n. 22-9-1931 • m. 6-9-1943 ad Auschwitz

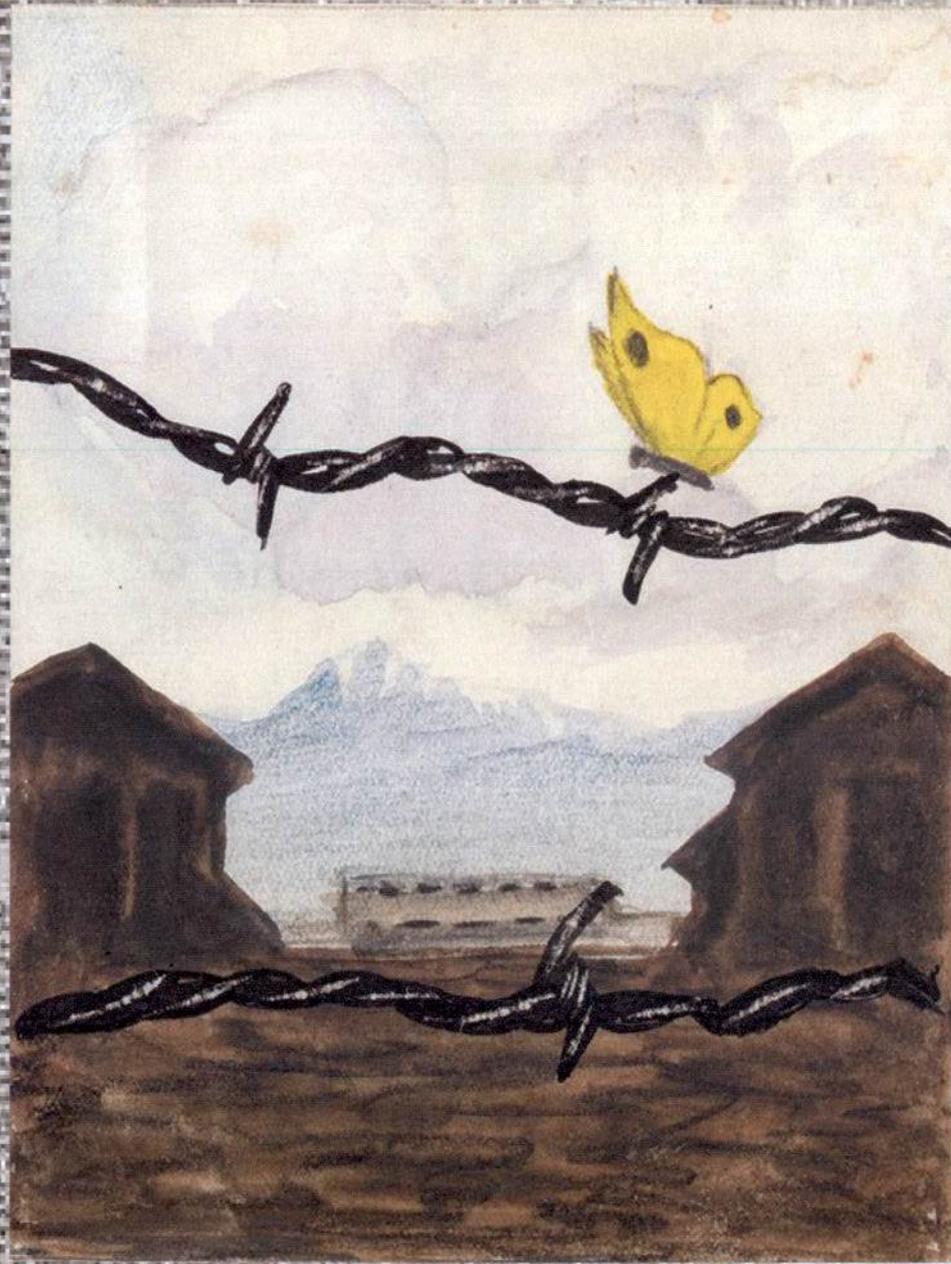
From the outside
It was a black building
shouting death
surrounded by barbed wire
scary line darkness...
then, they caught me.

From the inside
they humiliated us
they devastated us
they made us
a crowd of skeletons...
then, that day came.

From the sky
I'm in the wind
but my soul still looks for consolation
but it still can't find ears listening to its despair.
this insane world,
is destroying us.

Freedom is of everyone
but they stole ours.
Ignorance killed us.

Alexandra Sara Swami



An artwork by Karl Robert Bodek and Kurt Conrad Löw, entitled 'One Spring', 1941

The yellow butterfly

I'm crouched in a dark barrack
I'm hungry and lonely
I look through a hole in the wall
There's a yellow butterfly
I'm crouched in a dark barrack
I look through a hole in the wall
There's a black barbed wire
Under a hostile grey sky
I'm crouched in a dark barrack
I look through a hole in the wall
There's a pale blue sky in the distance
Is there any freedom over there?

I'm fragile like that butterfly
Will I fly away one day?

Arausi, Keri, Rosa, Stingsa



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The Pictured, Felix Nussbaum's 'The Refugee', which was painted in 1939

THE STEPS OF DEATH

I hear footsteps,
deafening steps,
heavy steps,
black steps bringing death.

I see my son
smiling naively,
I see my wife,
cooking with love.

I hear footsteps,
deafening steps,
heavy steps,
black steps bringing death.

I see my family lost in the air.
Smoke.
My life reduced
to ashes.

Silence.
My place is up there,
I'm a Jew.

Nicolan, Mattia, Silvia