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This month we are featuring art by Hermione Frankel, an artist and tango dancer who resides in Bristol, England. I had the opportunity to ask her some questions about her tango watercolors and her own thoughts on tango as a dance and as a subject for her artwork.

Tango Noticias: Do you dance tango? How long have you been dancing tango?

Hermione Frankel: Yes, I dance tango. I dance recreationally in my home town of Bristol, practice most days with a partner, and travel for tuition; sometimes to London for visiting teachers, otherwise to Buenos Aires, Amsterdam, Hamburg, Miami, Sitges, or Paris. I consider myself to have been dancing since my first visit to Buenos Aires four years ago. Previous to that I learnt a strange clockwork tango for a few months that owed nothing to the leadfollow principle, nor even progressed anti-clockwise around the room. On that first trip to Buenos Aires I was deconstructed, humiliated and set on a path to better tango!

Tango Noticias: What provoked your initial interest in tango? Did you use it as a subject first or did you begin dancing tango first.

Hermione Frankel: Tango infiltrated my consciousness as it became increasingly written about, talked about, and companies toured Britain in the late nineties. My sister took me to Tango Por Dos in London. Then I saw an intense and electric performance by Carolina lotti in a dark and dingy theatre space at the Edinburgh Festival. I was captivated. From the moment I heard the expression 'tango argentino', I recognized that it was going to have relevance to me.

I immediately wanted to learn tango in order to paint it. Frustrated by the slowness of weekly classes for the

half-hearted, I agitated for some private lessons. I thought a few would be enough to give me a repertoire to paint, and to see what it was! Four years later, I can see that the learning process is infinite, and it is as complex a dance form as any.

Tango Noticias: Why did you choose to use the medium of watercolor to depict tango dancers?

Hermione Frankel: Watercolour is my specialty. I don't use it in the traditional style of layering up thin pale washes, I use strong saturated colour often painting into water, making intense but transparent colour. It is performance art in itself. You have one chance, and something miraculous happens, or it can go horribly wrong. I love the

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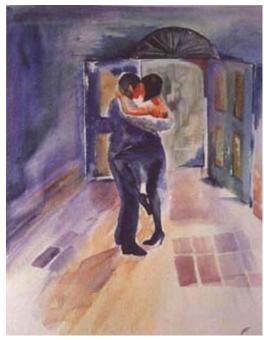
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granulations, the swirls of separated pigment that you can induce by putting paints together that repel or attract because of their chemical make-up. I often work with a lot of water on a small area, a damage limitation exercise really. It is both controlled and risky. But you end up with the effect of looking through water, of vaporous gradations of colour that can suggest distance, heat, smoke, shape and form, without fussy brushwork, and without mudding colours by stirring up the size in the paper. Watercolour has verve and wit, and it is ideally suited to the suggestion of movement, as the ghost of movements past can remain hinted at. I also like the glow of transparent colour; it suggests light behind it, and heat, music and excitement.

Tango Noticias: Is there anything about tango as a subject which makes it especially interesting to you?

Hermione Frankel: There are three things that spring to mind. Firstly, it is Argentinean people. It is a story of emigration to a foreign land, homesickness, nostalgia, hardship, loves lost and won, fighting, great passions etc. It has survived political suppression and been reborn. How many subjects does a painter need?

Thirdly, tango is about relationships. It is a man and a woman engaged in a dance that requires extraordinary cooperation and sensitivity as it is improvised, and each movement has an action-reaction element to it that means even choreographed sequences cannot be done on automatic pilot. Dancers have to develop an ability to move together, to read minute body signals. Our contemporary gender-roles may be challenged, as there has to be a lead and a follow, and a willingness to submit to that discipline. And then, even more fascinating, the movements themselves are full of references to a whole gamut of emotions: they can be impatient, angry, sharp, wistful, lyrical, or playful. A snapshot moment of a couple can look



it, despite whatever else may be going on in the legs or feet. Dancers look as though they are listening to each other, but they are not speaking. Good dancers never make a casual move; each one is deliberate and sacred, as a cat would move. I try to hold this idea when I dance.

Tango Noticias: Is there a link between the dance you capture in your paintings and how you shape your own dance on the floor? Does the way that you interpret music in tango have an effect on how you depict dancers in your artwork?

Hermione Frankel: I must say that as a follower I do not get a lot of chance to shape the dance on the floor, only to contribute! Undoubtedly, I have painted the dancers I like and that I have watched for hours. My dance-partner has had the same experiences and influences. Consequently, each moment in the paintings is deeply familiar to me. As for music, each composer suggests a particular choice of steps and quality of movement, and you have the choice of dancing to the melody or to the rhythm. I hope those differences are there in my paintings. If for some reason I had to put them all to one piece of music, however, I would use Viviani, by Carlos di Sarli (Instrumental vol. 1).

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dance, the human body using itself to make abstract shapes to music. It always amazes me that we understand this symbolic language, and can read it so easily. A child can read it. Anatomy, the symbolism of gesture, dynamics of movement, music, they all interest me. Put these together, and dance has a transcendent aspect to it, the human soul wishing to fly, the imagination freed.

Secondly, tango itself is redolent with imagery. It is a whole culture embracing every art form, songs, poetry, music which tells the story of the

quite combative. It's all in there, the whole range of emotions, but controlled and ritualized.

Tango Noticias: Did the experience of making watercolors of tango dancers change the way you approach tango itself as a dance?

Hermione Frankel: It certainly gave me the time to look and reflect, to see the things I have talked about here, and to notice a special quality of the dance; there is a great stillness at the centre of

Buenos Aires: Giros and Grief in January. A Tale

of Two Cities

by Bernard Selling

ill he or won't he?" "What does he want to do?" "He looks so frail." These comments swirl around behind me as I sit in a floor-level seat at the Sunderland Club in Buenos Aires. Several hundred devotees of Argentine tango have gathered for the Night of the Tango. We wonder whether the great tango master, Carlos Gavito, will dance at the event honoring him and other masters of the art of tango. Frail and wan, Gavito, who has been battling life-threatening lung cancer for several years, floats on the edges of the floor talking to friends, hesitant and uncertain.

The week before, I had gotten off the plane at 9:00 am, bleary-eyed after the 11 hour flight from Los Angeles to Buenos Aires. Monica, the helpful assistant to Daniel Rofman, organizer of the week-long tango seminar, greeted me with warmth and led me to a waiting car which would take me to my hotel, the Castelar, on Aveneda de Mayo. As I walked out of Pistarini airport, a blast of heat and humidity almost knocked me off my feet. Buenos Aires was suffering though a suffocating heat wave with temperatures reaching 100F.

The ride into town revealed wide stretches of green grass punctuated by an occasional building, tall, awkwardlooking concrete structures for the most



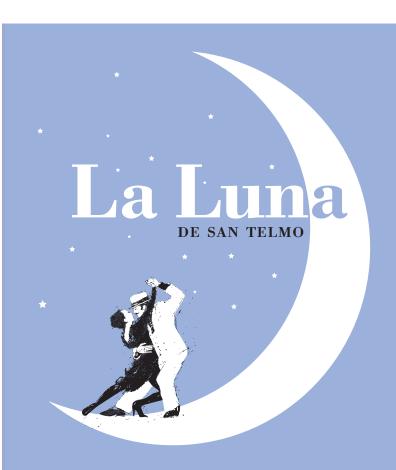
part. As the countryside gave way to the outskirts of Buenos Aires, I saw a surprising number of buildings with upper stories reduced to rubble, as if someone had thought of renovating the building and stopped halfway. Most of the concrete structures appeared to need a face-lift or at least a coat of paint. I sensed quite a bit of poverty lurking behind the fences separating the urban environment from the freeway leading to downtown.

Leaving the freeway, we turned onto the broad expanse of Avenida July 7th, and then down Avenida de Mayo. Here, the buildings were old-looking, but not antique. Heavy, ornate pseudo-Renaissance and Baroque facades hid edifices constructed in the 1920s and 30s. A few minutes later I stood in front of the Castelar looking around. Traffic was light and many smaller shops were closing. It was December 31st.

Soon I was in my hotel room, a little excited, very tired and drenched with perspiration. I showered and dozed off,

wondering what I, a sixty-six year old bachelor from Los Angeles, was doing here in Buenos Aires? Did I expect to become a better dancer in the two weeks I planned to be here? Probably not. I had been dancing tango for six years and had been taught by excellent teachers in Los Angeles, most of whom were from Argentina. I was well on my way. No, it was something more.

Perhaps I was seeking something indefinable in the source, the roots, the birthplace of tango. As a lifelong musician and recent leader of a swing and salsa band, I loved the rhythms of Latin music (especially the clave in which, in 4/4 time, three beats of the clave are played against 2 and the 4 of the conga, sometimes known as "3" against "4"). I had been dancing to salsa and mambo bands for more than ten years. Six years ago, the tango bug bit. Something I had heard in the music of Argentina, something so different from the rhythm dances of Cuba and the United States, had drawn me in.



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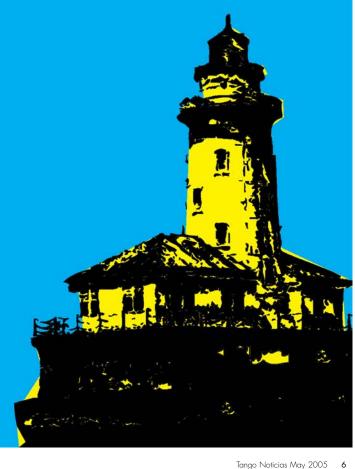
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these people have suffered so much over the past fifty years at the hands of one repressive government after another. Most of the marchers are young, many of the men and boys stripped to the waist in the oppressive heat of summer.

"All the night clubs are closed," explain my new found companions, Julian and Ruth. "The people are furious that the club had allowed 4000 people to enter when only 1000 were authorized. They blame the club owner, the commissioner of police and the mayor of the city, Ibarra. If the clubs stay closed for very long, Buenos Aires will lose an enormous amount of money."

-D'Arienzo, Donato, Canaro, Gardel, Triolo and Pizzazola. So often their music started in a leisurely, seductive, ballad-like way then suddenly leapt into a frenetic romp akin to an Italian tarantella (the dance of the tarantula), then slowed way down, a rubato giving way to an accelerando yielding to a ritardando in the rich tradition of Italian music of the 19th century. I had played this Italian music in concert bands and orchestras all my life. Now, in a different form, I was dancing to it. Was this why I came?

Or perhaps I hoped to find some kind of romance here in Argentina, something that had eluded me in the classes and milongas in Los Angeles. Hmm, perhaps. Most of the women in Los Angeles with whom I danced were either quite young (20's and 30's) or married. The most elegant and accomplished seemed to be the married ones, including one or two of my regular partners. And of course, the superb dancers (not me) kept to themselves. Would the same hold true here in Buenos Aires?

I awake as the sun begins to set. After another shower, I venture out. By now most of the shops are closed. I notice another couple from the hotel searching for a place to eat, someplace still open before the New Year's Eve

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celebrations begin. Julian and Ruth, a middle-aged couple from New Zealand, introduce themselves. We find an open restaurant up the street from our hotel and sit down to eat. Soon we feast on a delicious Buenos Aires version of Spanish paella.

As we sit comparing life experiences, we notice a loud banging sound coming from up the street. We crane our necks in the direction of the noise. A large crowd has gathered some twelve blocks away.

"What's all this?" I wonder.

"They are protesting the corruption that led to all the deaths last night."

"Deaths?"

From Julian I learn that a devastating fire had taken place while I was in the air the night before. Some 200 people had lost their lives; 700 more were badly injured. Over the next half hour, a thousand or so somber mourners hold candles as they walk up the Avenida de Mayo, past the restaurant.

How sad, I think, remembering that

I've been here less they twelve hours and already drama is creeping around the edges of my life. Although the crowd marching past me is not unruly, I am uncomfortable, as I don't speak Spanish and I'm clearly a gringo in my American clothing.

Over the next two nights, the crowds become larger and more unruly. As the young men and women with their banners proclaiming justice and equality pass by, I notice the level of anxiety has grown considerably. Once they've passed, I head back to my hotel room to watch on television. By that time, the marchers have gotten to the pink palace at the far end of Avenida di Mayo. They've become very angry. Confrontations with police ensue. Reminds me of the days of the Vietnam protests, I tell myself as I watch.

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Letters to the Editor

Hi Sarah,

I was about to send you a note thanking you for introducing me to the photography of Candice White when I read the letter from a California reader who appears to have been disturbed by Candice, her calendar, and her website. Different strokes for different folks, I guess.

I was thoroughly captivated by both of your Candice White covers, and upon seeing the second one, I went to her website, saw (and loved) the images of Candice's visit to Buenos Aires, and decided I wanted to have my wife buy an art print of the same image you used as a cover photo last month for my birthday present. To me, that photograph displays the essence of Tango: movement, grace, sensuality, mystery, capture, surrender, and unity.

We contacted Candice and she is a warm, gracious, insightful person who loves Tango and who had a wonderful time putting together her calendar of words and images featuring strong, beautiful women from 30 to 70 years of age. Her calendar is a tribute to the women and their relationship with Tango, not a discourse on dancing.

I'm always pleased to see your cover illustrations and photographs, and I look forward to each one, but the second Candice White cover with the accompanying interview with Candice is my favorite. Hope all is well with you and everyone else at Tango Noticias. Your friend,

lim Blue

P.S. On another related subject, I want to thank you and the terrific staff of Tango Noticias for the marvelous work you do in publishing what is a beautiful, elegant, entertaining, and informative magazine. When Shirley Anne and I discovered Tango less than two years ago, Tango Noticias quickly became our textbook and our connection to the world of this marvelous dance. Through you we met many Chicago area Tangueros, including Beth Braun and, later, Dany Novakavich, who went out of their way to encourage us and support our efforts. We discovered Tango at the Drake, learned about and attended the Las Vegas Tango Festival, found our way to Kabak, and came to feel that we "belonged" to an extended Tango community. Though we now live 150 miles from Chicago, you all keep us connected, and because of that, you are our friends, and we are grateful.

Just say no, gracias.

Having just returned from Buenos Aires—fresh with remembrances of the rules and customs there—I am struck by the differences at our own milongas. I certainly am not advocating that we do the cabeceo (though it is a tradition I love!) and I am realistic enough to know that the music and the dancing here will never be the same as it is there. This is Chicago, not Buenos Aires.

But there is a small thing that truly bothers me, that I have seen and experienced here too often and I think needs correction. After finishing a dance, the man simply walks off to his table, leaving his dance partner in the middle of the dance floor. In Buenos Aires, the man always thanks the woman and walks her to her table. To leave her on the dance the floor is considered the epitome of crass behavior.

So, men (those to whom this applies), how about adapting what is basically good manners? And ladies, what if you each make up your mind to reject rudeness and the next time he asks, just say NO?

-Natalie Pepa

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