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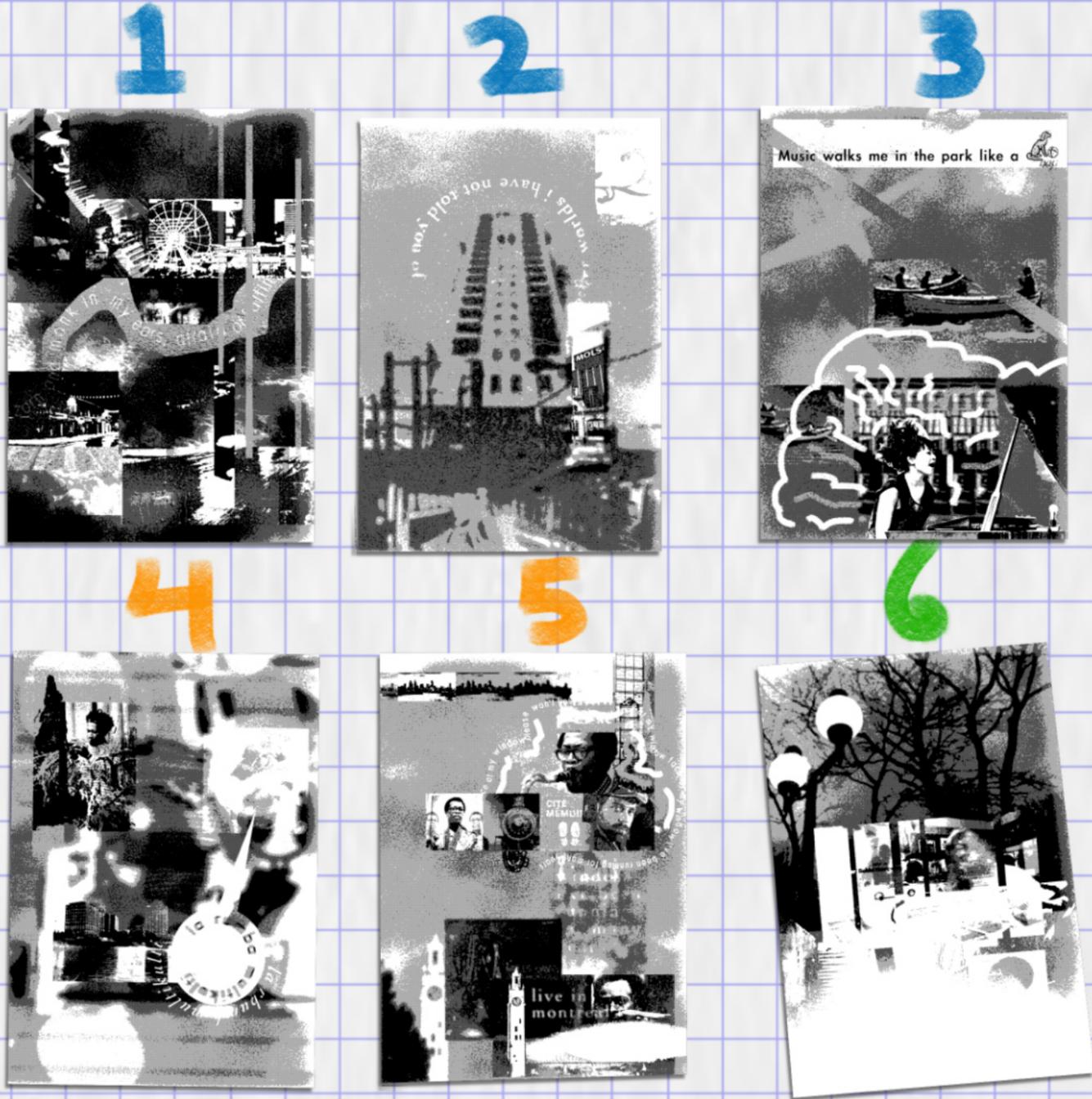


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## Monk By the River

Found myself listening to Monk while looking out at the St. Lawrence River. I'd first heard it when I was a teenager and had never listened to solo piano music before. Back then I didn't know how the music worked, and I still didn't. Never been able to make sounds that free. Maybe someday I would be up at a podium thinking about Monk and somehow present a paper that would remind people of Monk and the river, winding and just avoiding spilling what I'm really about. Almost wrong, but perfect.

## Worlds and Shipps

I thought I might as well keep listening to piano music as long as I was at it. Suddenly the music turned into a grid of streets, easy to lose myself in. Shipp commanded the keys and you could take one step and end up on the other side of the city. When you look out at the Molson factory...I wonder if they're going to break down the grids and let the city breathe when more peaceful times come around.



Music walks me in the park like a



## Jazz Dogs

I heard that open headphones without noise cancelling sound better. That's why I can hear some guy strumming his acoustic guitar by the side of the pond. Inside the headphones, Hiromi Uehara stirs up a storm out of the finest day in Montréal May. She's pure energy, the kind of stuff you put on to make yourself walk faster. It sets the pace, and you follow.



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*Music is supposed to be universal, but few people could ever hold the whole world in their head at once. Thanks, Don Cherry.*

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Old, old town. Old for North America, anyway.

# Face at My Window

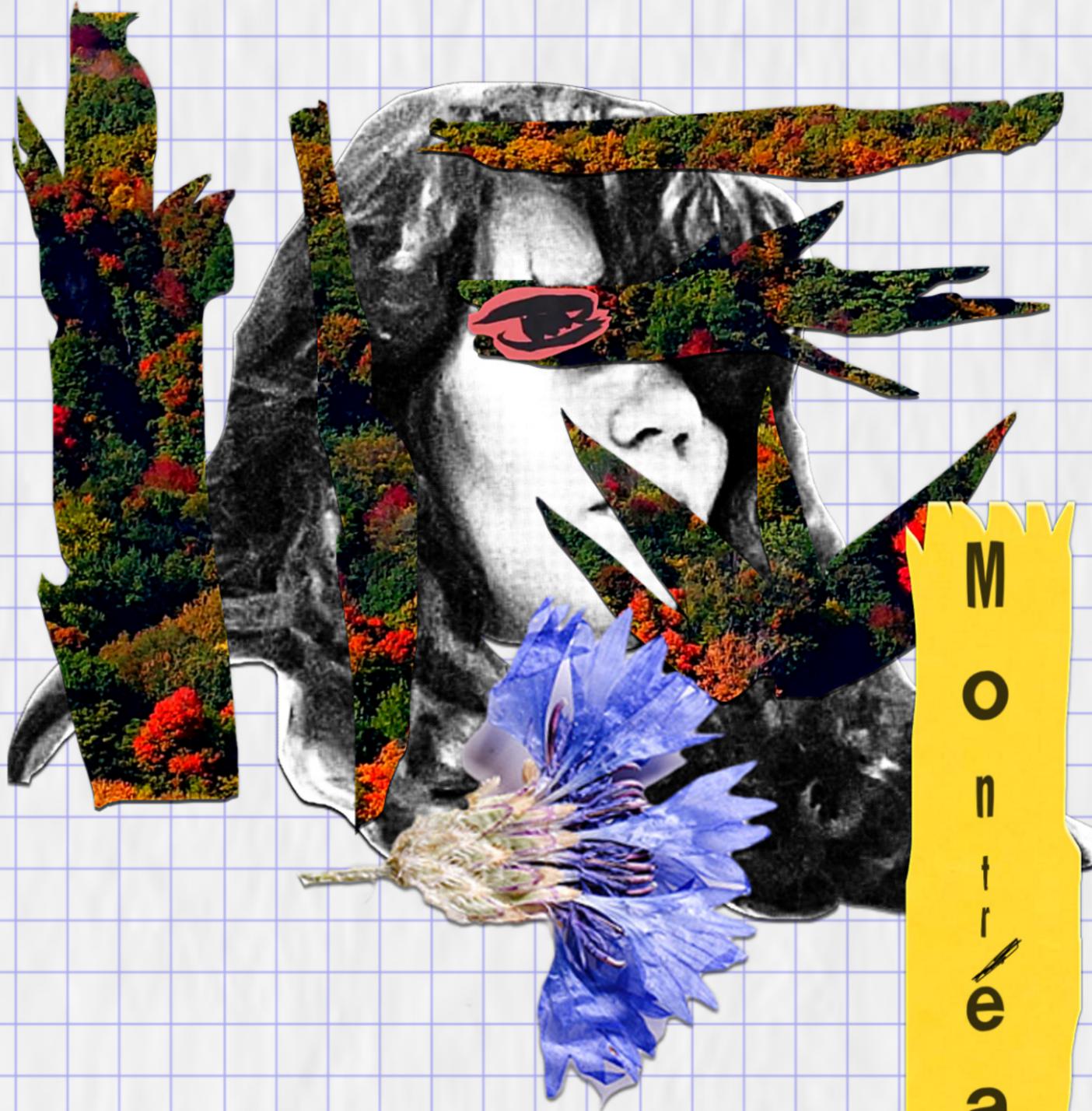


It's younger than dirt, older than today's river



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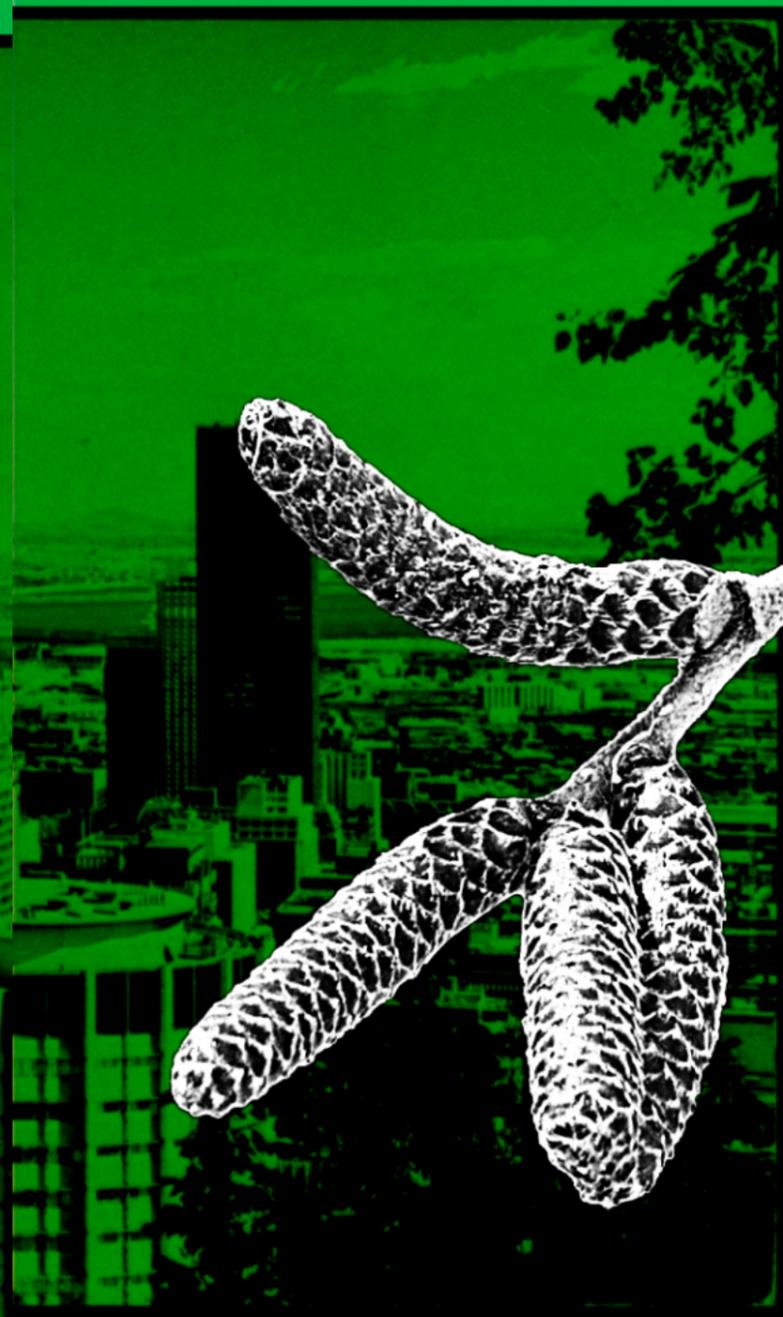
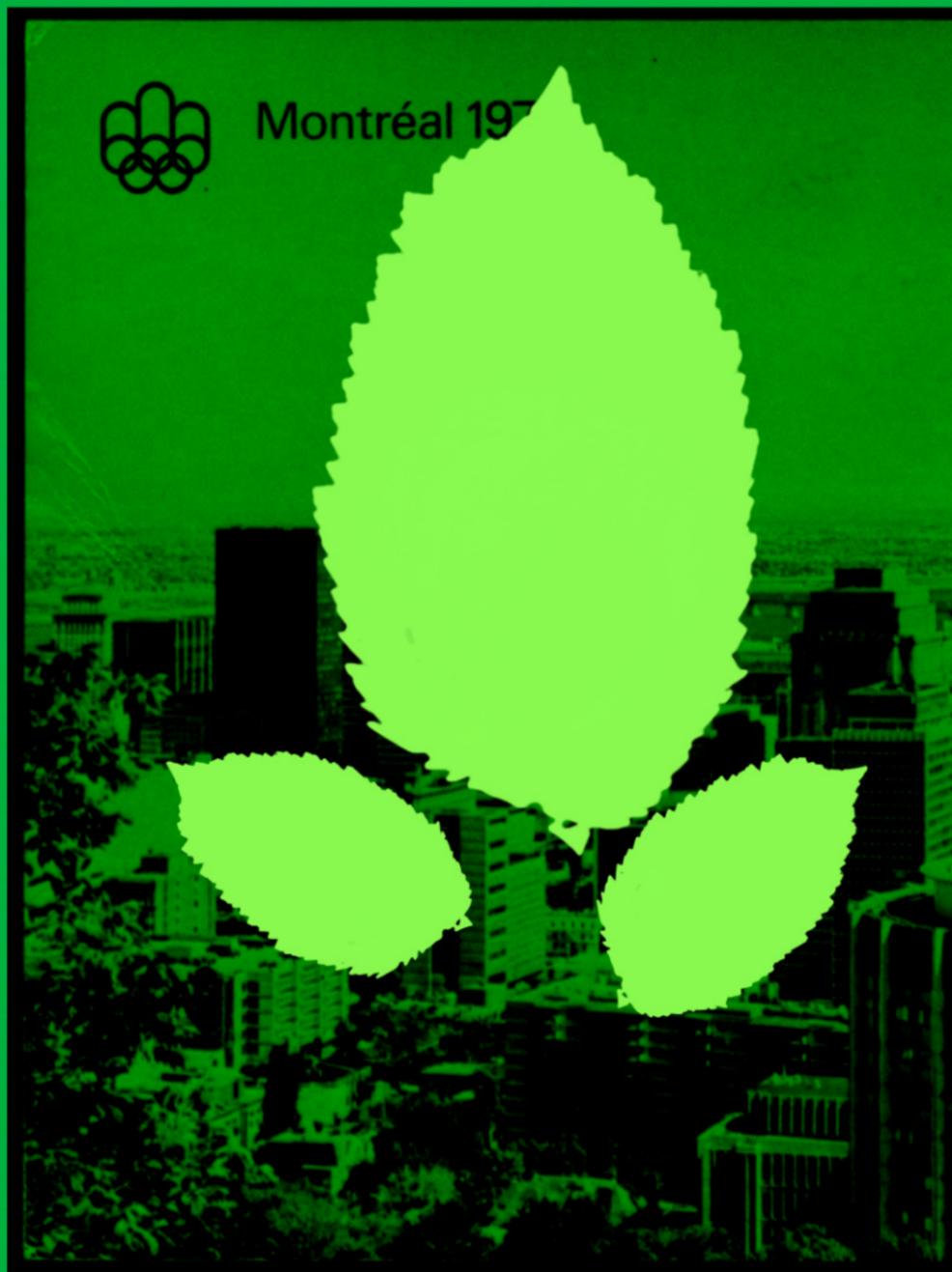
It stares up at me from the low bank, carrying songs



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