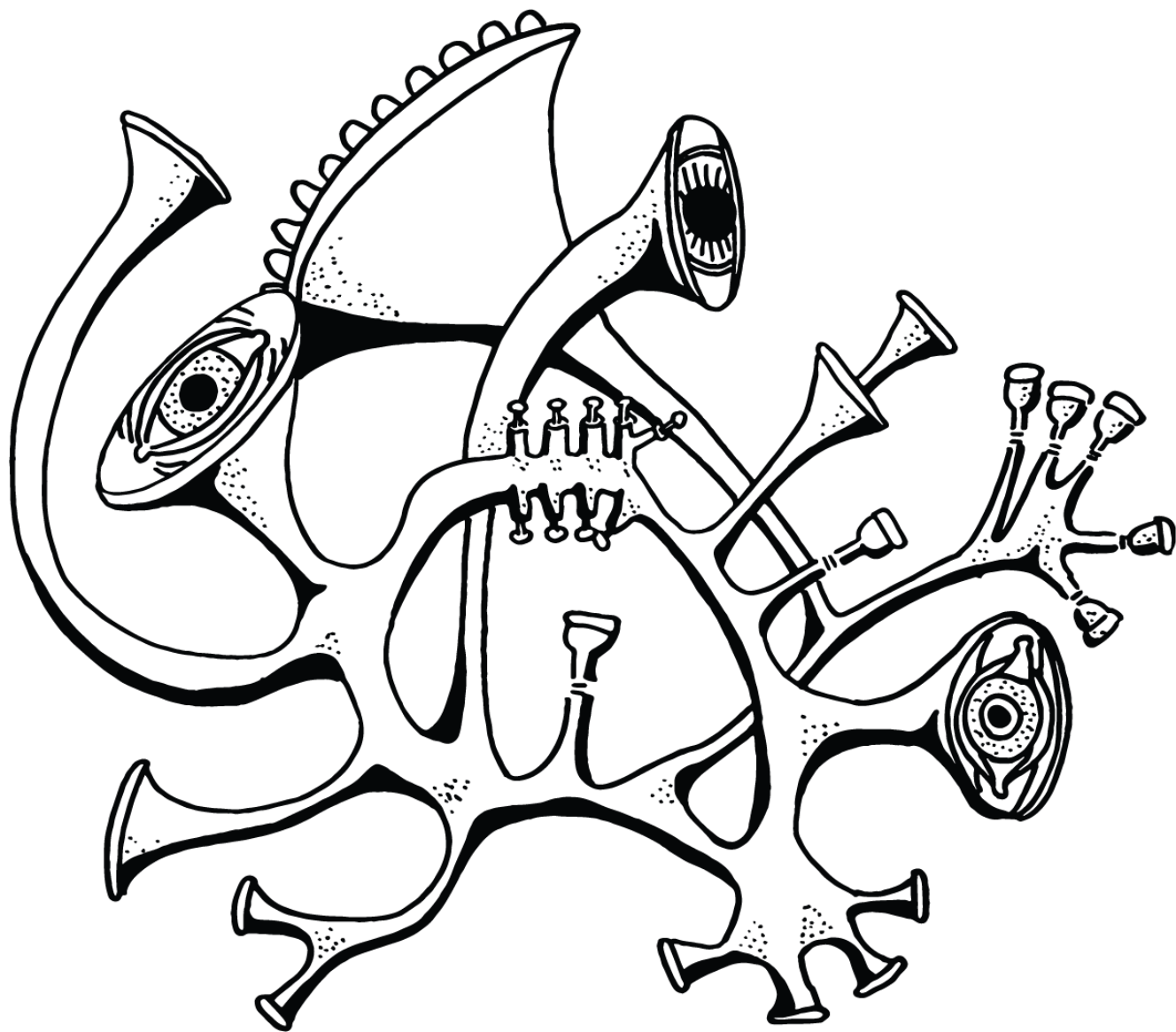


# *Tubascopes*



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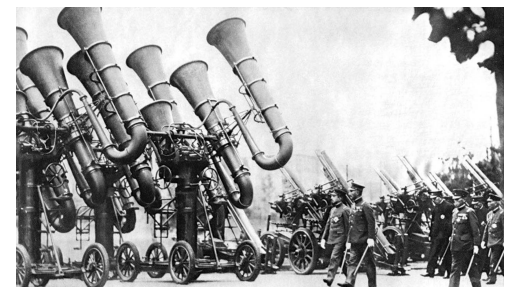
*Steve Parker*

## ABOUT

The Tubascope is an interactive sculpture that works like a telescope for your ears.

Modeled after obsolete acoustic locators of the 1930s (pictured on this page), the Tubascope is made from reclaimed and repurposed brass instruments and copper tubing. Rather than produce music, the sculpture invites the viewer to engage in the simple act of focused listening. To use the sculpture, just place an ear up to a brass earpiece and listen.

When used, the Tubascope helps a person focus their listening on specific, far away sounds that may have otherwise gone unnoticed.



## LISTENING GAMES

On 4th Street, you will find a sculpture called a Tubascope. It is made from musical instruments, but it does not actually play music. Instead, you use it like a magnifying glass for your ears — use it to listen carefully to the sounds around you.

Next, try playing some of these Listening Games — either with the help of the Tubascope, or at home with your own powerful ears.

Walk

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silently

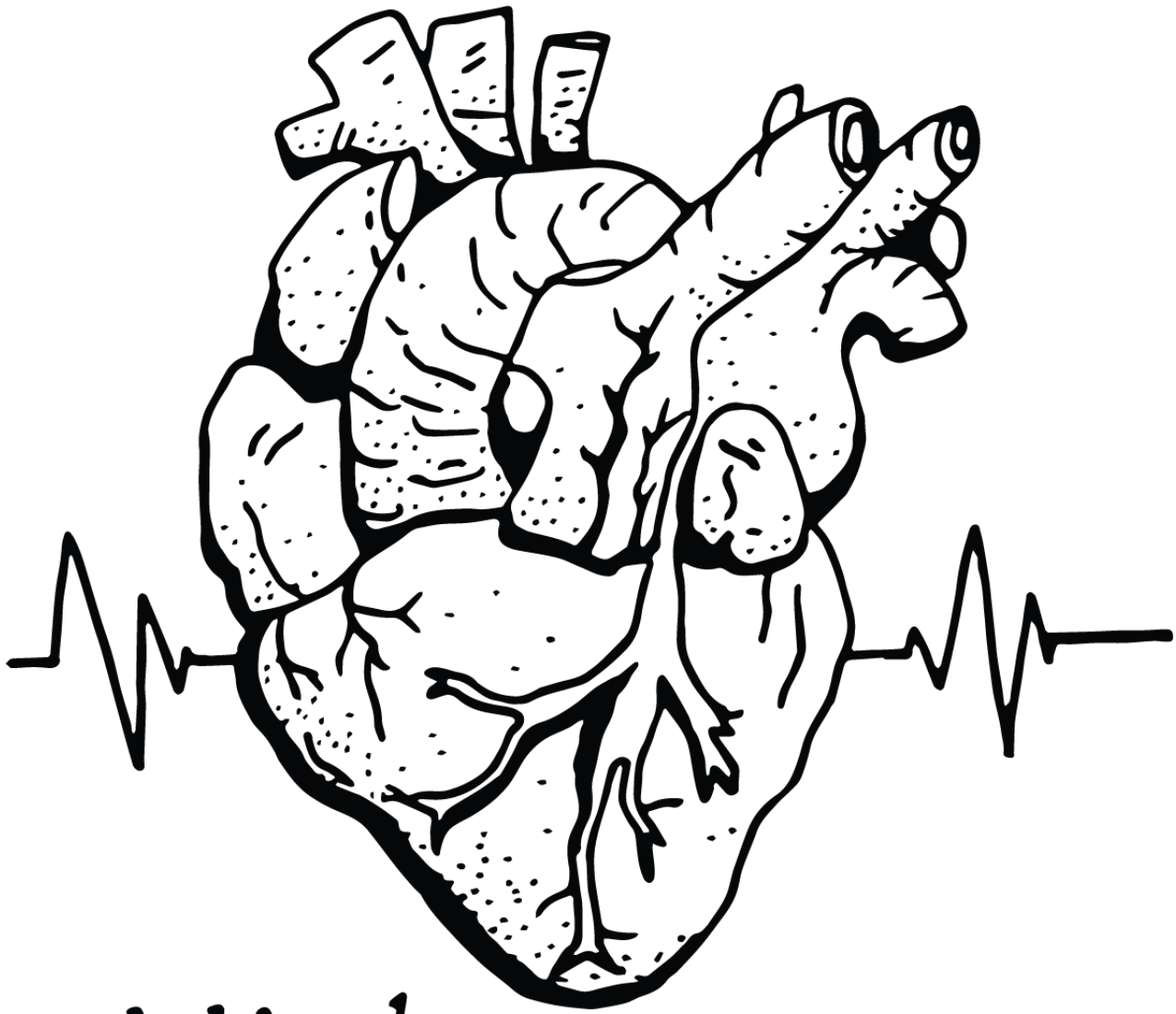


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→ P. Oliveros



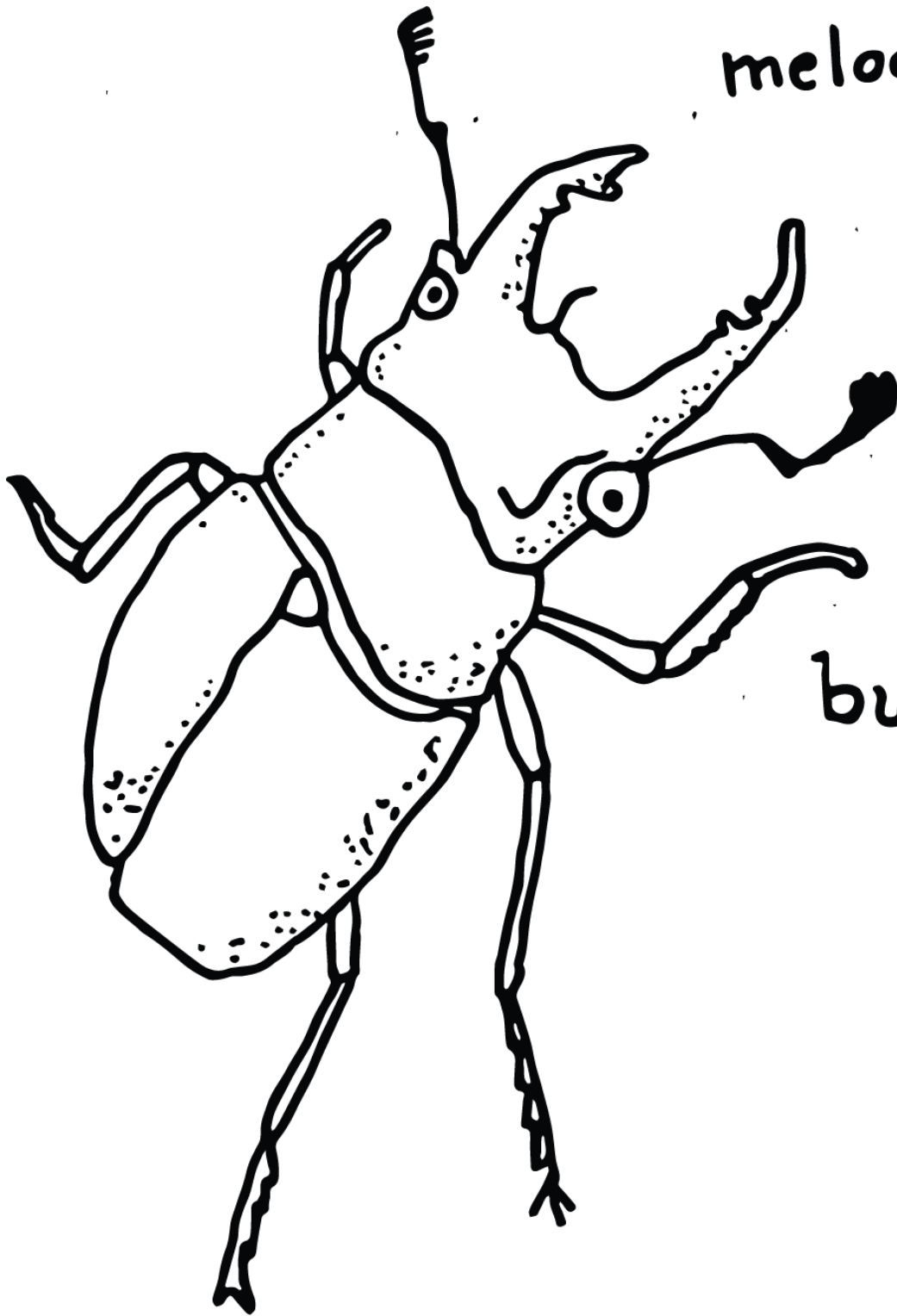
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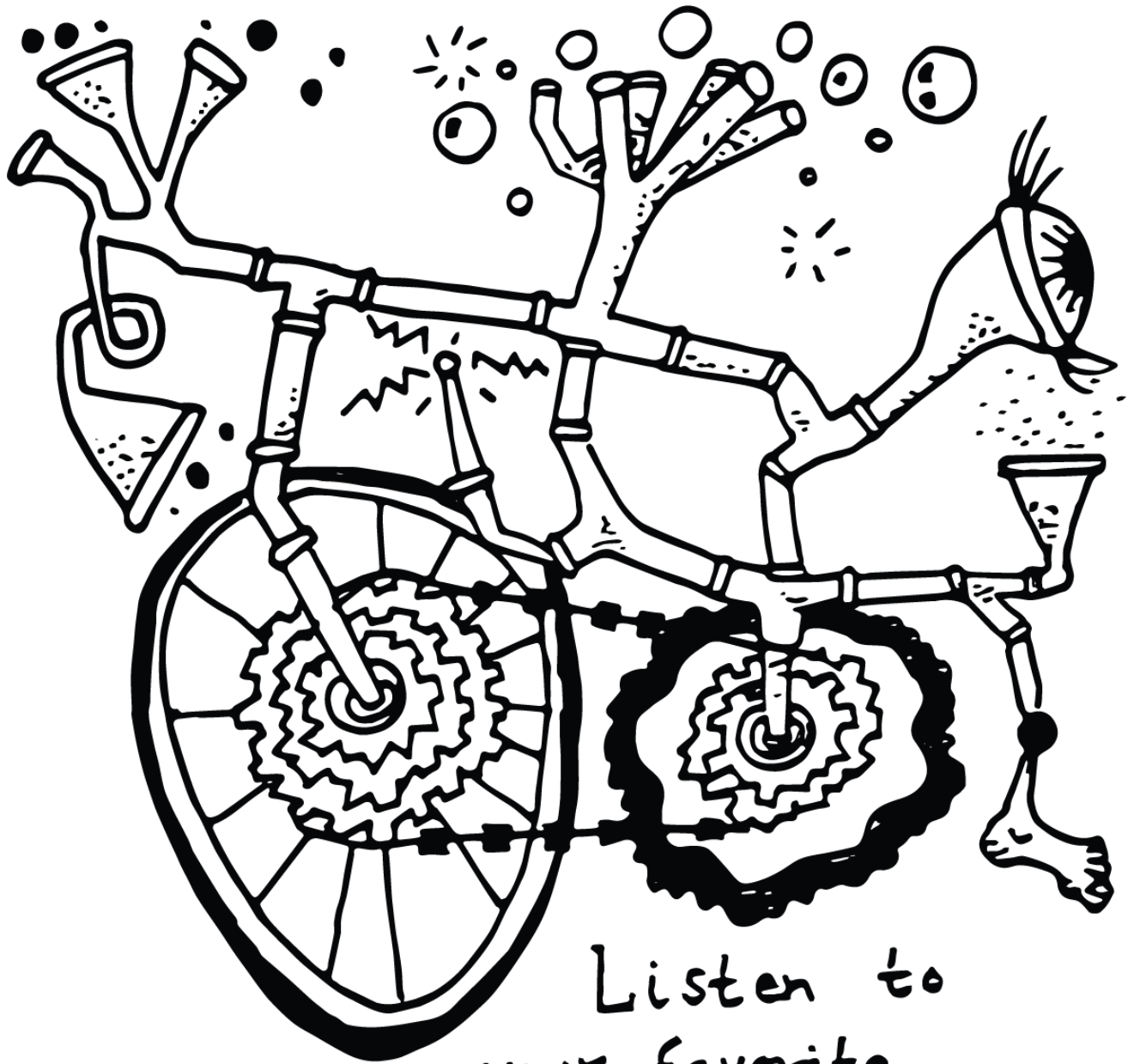
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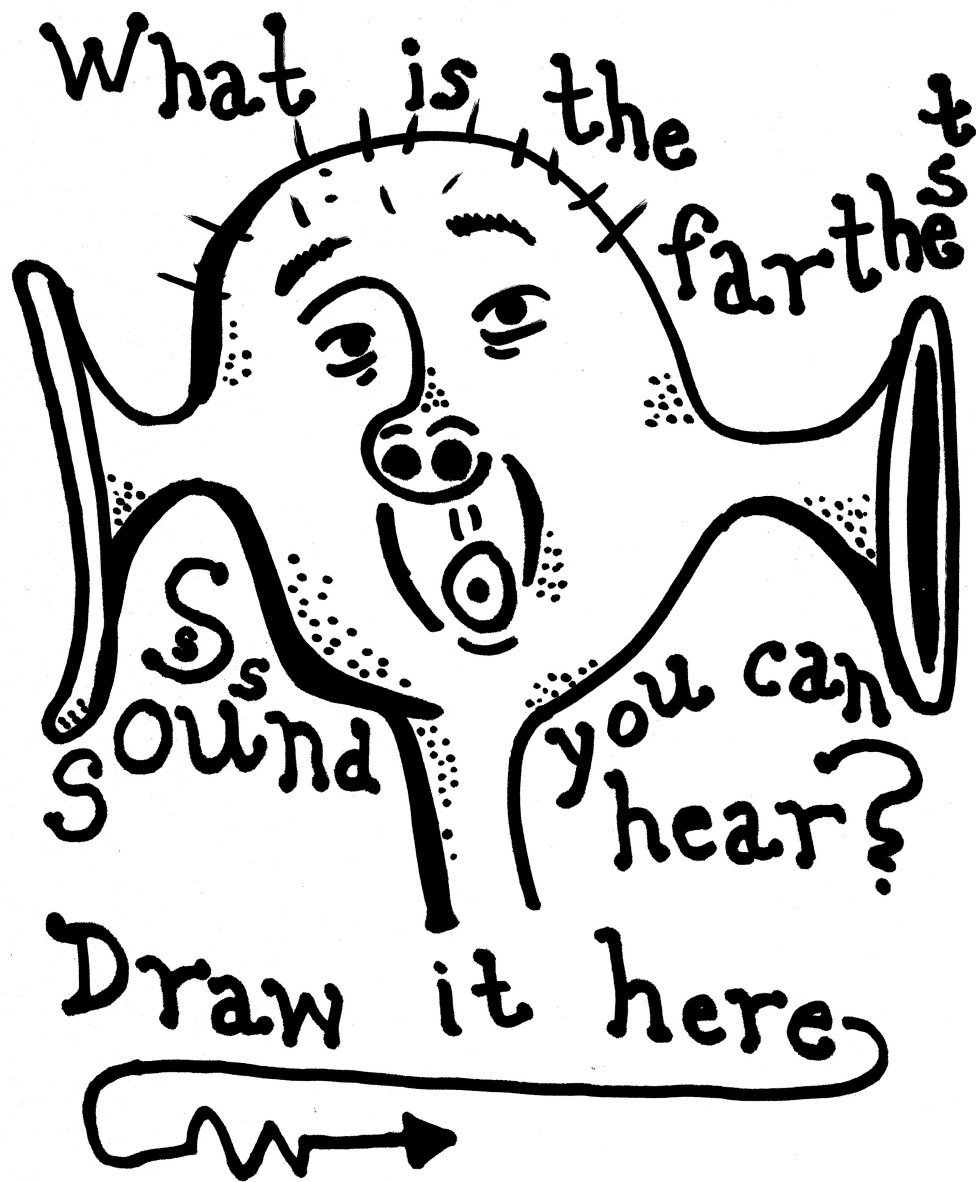
of

bugs.





Listen to  
your favorite  
machine  
and sing  
along with it.



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