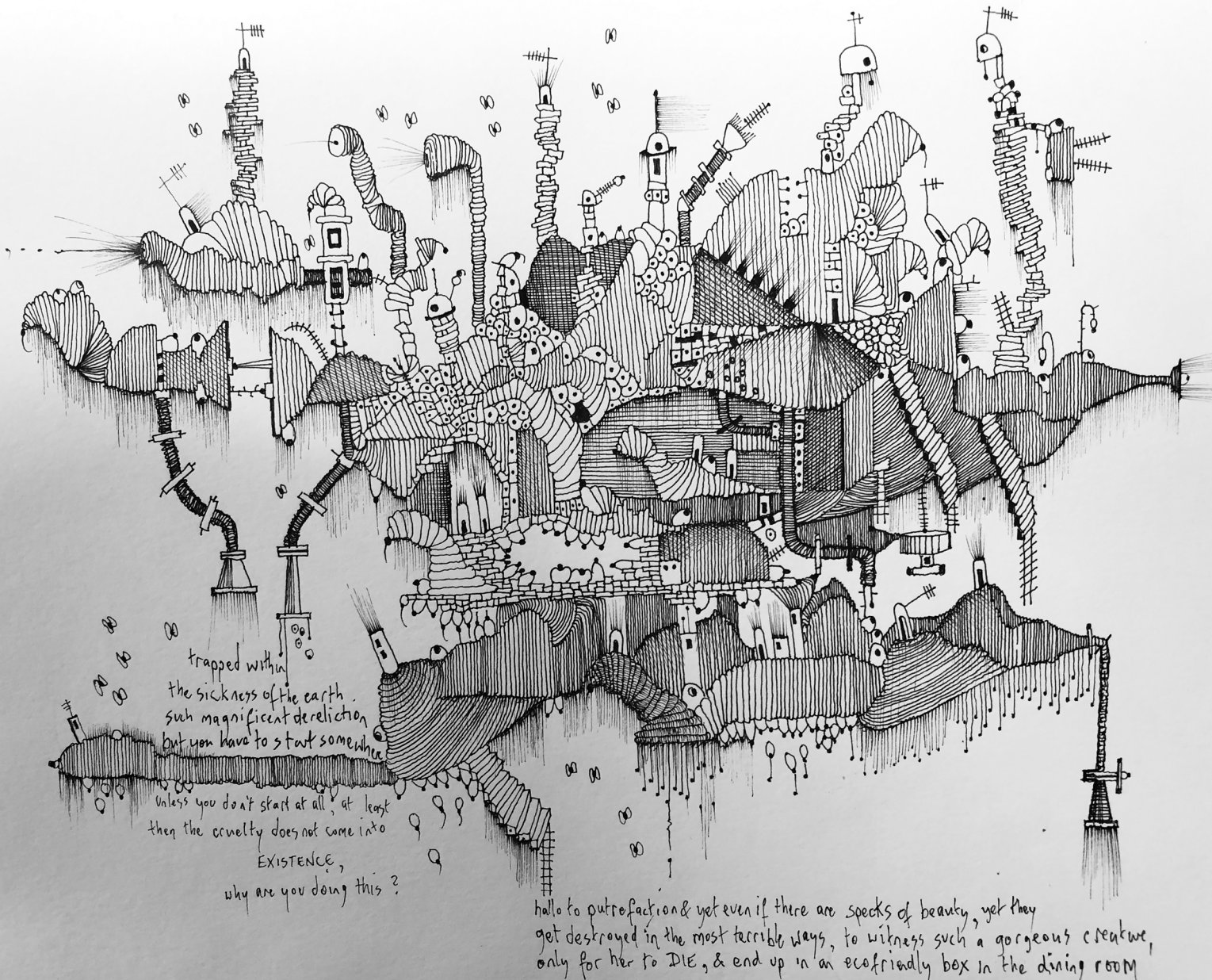


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trapped with
the sickness of the earth
such magnificent dereliction
but you have to start somewhere
unless you don't start at all, at least
then the cruelty does not come into
EXISTENCE,
why are you doing this ?

hallo to putrefaction & yet even if there are specks of beauty, yet they
get destroyed in the most terrible ways, to witness such a gorgeous creature,
only for her to DIE, & end up in an ecofriendly box in the dining room



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