hands

are body parts

which reach

and feel.

if this audience
is a body

you are a hand

with which
the audience body
feels

like your hands are immersed in this water

you

are immersed

in this art work

right?

now close your eyes

and take a few breaths

you have a heart

it pumps blood

again and again

all around
your body

along your arms
to your fingertips

along your legs
all the way
to your toes

to your inner organs

into your brain

blood is everywhere

it flows to your heart

like water towards the sea

you are a stream

there are people around you

with you

they form
the audience body
of this performance

close your eyes again

and listen

how this body moves around you

also the audience body has a heart

you

invisible blood

flows from you

to all limbs

of this collective body

to each audience member

you affect everyone

or, in fact,

everyone has a heart

each member

has their own heart

each member

is the heart of the collective body

pumping blood

to the veins of the others

sharing feelings
to the hearts
of the others

the body of each member

is a continuous stream of vibration

of waves

these waves flow through each other every moment

always a new wave

the same water

feel it?

but of course

it's not that simple

your hands are immersed in the water

but only your hands.

the rest of your body is out of the water

your eyes view the water from above.

likewise

only a part of you
is immersed
in this performance

the rest of you

takes distance

even though the performance

tries to control you

to seduce you

into its frequency

you are in control

you can pull your hands from the water

anytime

or you can
keep your hands there and
think of something
completely different

the contents of the fridge an argument with a friend painkillers the war tomorrow netflix-series a memory of a touch the swimming hall

how a shower feels

in your neck

the word "dear"

often a performance attempts to devour the whole world

the whole of the audience

it is not completely
safe

where is then the space of critique

where is then the place of opposition

of dissent

what if the other hand disagrees

with the other one

if the other hand wants out

and the other in

does the performance allow it

do not close your eyes anymore

or...

do as you please

any gesture

can mean

lots of things

any word
can both close and open

closing can mean opening

opening closing

listening immerses you

one can't escape sounds

spectating
gives a chance
to be seperate

take distance

be critical

on the other hand

by closing your eyes
you can refuse the view

stepping out of the room
is a refusal of listening

refusal of vibration

of immersion

of becoming water

of forming an audience body

but could a performance

give both at the same time

becoming collective

and independence

immersion

and a critical space

consent

and dissensus

a chance to be and not to be in the water

at the same time

do not close your eyes anymore

and close them

at the same time

do not become a member of this body

and become it

could that be
a comprehensive enough
attempt

to make the performance

all-encompassing