

## 1: Origin and Extinction, Mourning and Melancholia | Mute

*Mourning and Modernity thus renews the tradition of critical cultural psychoanalysis that includes the works of Erich Fromm, Herbert Marcuse, Norman O. Brown, Christopher Lasch, and Dorothy Dinnerstein, and will be particularly provocative to readers who are familiar with that tradition as well as anyone who is interested in the intersection of.*

Friendship is a tension. It makes delicate demands. I ask this one thing: Insofar as she will not let go her mourning, she cannot mourn. The work of mourning is inoperative. Insofar as it is without end it cannot begin. Melancholia is this self-negation of mourning, and the vector of this self-negation is the negation of the self: These are the only possible termini of an interminable self-negation: As long as the stars sweep through heaven. As long as I look on this daylight. From herself, as the soliloquy above implies, she seems to want permission to black out the sun and the stars. There is also a cosmological request implied in this passage: For relief of her condition by some kind of planetary or astral catastrophe. The shattered ego wants a broken heaven and a black sun. Suicide, then, or apocalypse. But if the latter, it could never be revelation; only a negation: Melancholia is an attachment to an absent past a lost object issuing in a rejection of the future and a hatred of the present. And this is a splitting of the ego, a fracture, or void, torn by the torque of time. Death, for the melancholiac, is the dissolution of a rift in time. Melancholic Prophecy reverses the temporality of melancholia: She not only lives her being-toward-death, in the existential mode of projective anticipation. Insofar as she already knows when and how she will die, she anticipates nothing. She is not torn between thrownness and projection, between being-in-the-world and being-toward-death, historicity and anticipation. Rather, these have collapsed: It is temporally and affectively divided ambivalent because the death of the prophet is at once the beginning and the end of melancholy. In a word, death is the telos of melancholy, and this telos is ambivalent. The sharp edge of its ambivalence, carving a difference between the beginning and the end, is knowledge. And death will be the end of this knowing, its coincidence with being nothing. Time is a line upon which a fracture displaces itself: The moment of my death is that at which I come to know nothing of this displacement, at which I no longer know what becomes of time. Ignorance, says Lacan, is the strongest of the passions. All passion spent, the melancholic prophet is the one who cannot not know, who cannot be ignorant. The ambivalence of the melancholic prophet toward her destiny derives from the fact that her only access to the passion of ignorance is death, oblivion, and thus the dissolution of all passion. The ambivalence of her destiny resides in a complicit tear between knowing and not-knowing, restitution and dissolution. What does she know? What has she lost? The latter is the diagnostic question raised by the Freudian theory of melancholia: This question threatens the account of the melancholic prophet offered above with incoherence. This is a loss that can only be lived proleptically, since the loss of this object, its annihilation, would coincide with the death of any subject to whom it could be lost. As the exterior object is lost, the interiority that could register this loss is annihilated. It is the introjective knowledge of this double eradication, in the present, that precipitates a proleptic melancholy. Justine not only knows that she will die, but that her death will coincide with the end of the world. Not only her world, but the world. The annihilation of world, insofar as the existence of life on earth is the condition of possibility for the phenomena of world. Along with everyone else, she will die as the world ends; unlike everyone else, she knows this now. She does not know this as a scientific prediction or a speculative hypothesis, but prophetically: It opens with a series of tableaux which are not quite still but barely moving, captured in extreme slow motion. A woman carrying a child, running across a golf course as though through quicksand, her feet sinking into the ground. A bride, a boy, a woman on the lawn before a castle at night, walking into the foreground, each figure attended, above, by an astronomical counterpart: A boy carving bark from a stick with a pocketknife as a woman approaches through the grass. A bride trudging, in profile, across a field in front of a wood, dragging heavy woollen ropes bound to her arms and legs, attached to the trees in the background. A massive blue planet approaching the earth, devouring it in a collision. The beginning of the film thus reveals its ending, makes manifest what will never be perceived within the world of the film insofar as it is the end of all perception. For Justine the end of the world will be the negation, the non-being, in the now, of knowing what will be. As the incendiary

shockwave of a planetary collision devours the frame, as though burning up the screen, the screen cuts to black. Before the end, the melancholic prophet is afflicted not so much by her knowledge of this ending, but by the fact that this knowledge has not yet ended. This structure is recapitulated for the audience not as affliction but as dramatic irony, the narrative tension of a proleptically dissolved suspense. Thus the ending of the film is a kind of meta-filmic resolution, the restitution of a rift in time that is also the dissolution of the medium. The earth is destroyed, the screen blacks out, what had already happened has happened. This complicity of prophecy and dramatic irony "content and form fused by proleptic temporality" is the meta-theatrical structure of Greek tragedy. And like Chrysothemis, Claire councils accommodation to the order of things. Here you are again at the doorway, sister, telling your tale to the world! When will you learn? Yes, I know how bad things are. I suffer too "if I had the strength I would show how I hate them. But now is not the right time. Like Elektra, Justine is inconsolable. She cannot force herself to endure the ceremony of false or inessential or superficial affective attachments because in the dead time of prophecy every attachment is already broken. What remains is not so much pessimism as a bitter authenticity. Lars von Trier, *Melancholia*, The lost object is what one loves; because it is lost, one hates it. Internalised, the ambivalence of this affective bond gives rise to an irrevocable attachment of self-loathing and narcissism, a riven solipsism as petty and cruel as it is admirable in its loyalty to the truth of what one feels. Disdaining the other, insofar as she does not suffer from this double bind, one is also hated for an intransigent honesty. Recrimination, refusal to mourn, fidelity to the impossible: Until the earth is destroyed, *Melancholia* is the proleptic agent of its loss. After the earth is destroyed, loss itself has been annihilated. The ambivalent introjection of what will be lost is also a longing for the eradication of loss itself. What had been an affective condition melancholia tied to the lost object will simply be an object *Melancholia* and even its name will die with those who knew it. The object destroys both the reason and the capacity for its nomination. Lars von Trier, *Melancholia*, One of the veils of inauthenticity that melancholia tears through is denial. This is literally true, but for Claire the force of this truth, the destitution of nobody, is unthinkable. The impossible structure of her psyche is the introjected erasure of the boundary between interiority and exteriority, a boundary constitutive of affective life. Life is only on earth. And not for long. This is the unassimilable truth of extinction. The first half of the film is dominated by ritual, a lavish wedding that will come to nothing because the bride cannot bear pretence. The setting is a palatial estate, on the grounds of which is not a labyrinth but a golf course. At the end of the world and the end of modernity our relation to ritual, to ceremony, to nobility, and to myth is for the most part bathetic. The final sequence of the film, however, involves something like a recuperation of ritual, of collective ceremony. Justine distracts her nephew from the coming catastrophe by helping him construct a small teepee in which he and the two sisters will await their death. Whatever comfort remains at the end of the world has nothing to do with the comforts of modernity: Rather, all that remains is nature and myth: Apocalypse reveals nothing "other than the comportment we adopt toward it, the resources with which we confront it. In their treatment of this problem, the two films are practically mirror images. The narrative motor of *The Tree of Life* is analepsis; that of *Melancholia* is prolepsis. But both are concerned with the affective experience of loss, with the material conditions of possibility for such experience, and with the hope of spiritual restitution through collective ceremony. Perhaps also, at a meta-filmic level, through aesthetic experience. In a word, one is a film about mourning; the other is a film about melancholia. Terence Malick, *Tree of Life*, And insofar as one is concerned with ancestral time, the other with the time of extinction, both are concerned with the problem of dia-chronicity: A confrontation with this ending "at an ontological rather than an existential level" is what makes possible whatever collective communion takes place in *Melancholia*:

### 2: Mourning - Wikipedia

*Political Theory, Mary Caputi [Mourning and Modernity] is a gift not only to the field of political theory, but to American society at large.*

Eastern Christianity[ edit ] A mourning ritual of the Mingrelians in Georgia, c. Orthodox Christians usually hold the funeral either the day after death or on the third day, and always during the daytime. In traditional Orthodox communities the body of the departed would be washed and prepared for burial by family or friends, and then placed in the coffin in the home. A house in mourning would be recognizable by the lid of the coffin, with a cross on it, and often adorned with flowers, set on the porch by the front door. Special prayers are held on the third, seventh or ninth number varies in different national churches , and 40th days after death ; the third, sixth and ninth or twelfth month; [12] and annually thereafter in a memorial service , [13] for up to three generations. Kolyva is ceremoniously used to honor the dead. Sometimes men in mourning will not shave for the 40 days. When an Orthodox bishop dies, a successor is not elected until after the 40 days of mourning are completed, during which period his diocese is said to be " widowed ". The 40th day has great significance in Orthodox religion. That is the period during which soul of deceased wanders on earth. On the 40th day ascension of his soul occurs. This custom originates from old Slavic pagan religion it was incorporated into Orthodox religion, during the Christianization of old Slavic nations[ citation needed ]. As in the Roman Catholic rites, there can be symbolic mourning. During Holy Week , some temples in the Church of Cyprus draw black curtains across the icons. Western Christianity[ edit ] The European social forms are, in general, forms of Christian religious expression transferred to the greater community. Before the liturgical reform, black was the ordinary color for funeral Masses; in the revised use, several options are available, though black is the norm. Christian churches often go into mourning symbolically during the period of Lent to commemorate the sacrifice and death of Jesus. In more formal congregations, parishioners also dress according to specific forms during Holy Week, particularly on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday , when it is common to wear black or sombre dress or, as mentioned, the liturgical color purple. Hinduism[ edit ] Death is not seen as the final "end", but is seen as a turning point in the seemingly endless journey of the indestructible " atman " or soul through innumerable bodies of animals and people. Hence, Hinduism prohibits excessive mourning or lamentation upon death, as this can hinder the passage of the departed soul towards its journey ahead: Traditionally the body is cremated within 24 hours after death; however, cremations are not held after sunset or before sunrise. Immediately after the death, an oil lamp is lit near the deceased, and this lamp is kept burning for three days. Hinduism associates death with ritual impurity for the immediate blood family of the deceased, hence during these mourning days, the immediate family must not perform any religious ceremonies except funerals , must not visit temples or other sacred places, must not serve the sages holy men , must not give alms, must not read or recite from the sacred scriptures, nor can they attend social functions such as marriages, parties, etc. The family of the deceased is not expected to serve any visiting guests food or drink. It is customary that the visiting guests do not eat or drink in the house where the death has occurred. The family in mourning are required to bathe twice a day, eat a single simple vegetarian meal, and try to cope with their loss. On the day on which the death has occurred, the family do not cook; hence usually close family and friends will provide food for the mourning family. White clothing the color of purity is the color of mourning, and many will wear white during the mourning period. The male members of the family do not cut their hair or shave, and the female members of the family do not wash their hair until the 10th day after the death. On the morning of the 10th day, all male members of the family shave and cut their hair, and female members wash their hair. This day is called Dasai or Daswan. After Daswan, some vedic rituals are started. If the deceased was young and unmarried, the "Narayan Bali" is performed by the Pandits. The Mantras of "Bhairon Paath" are recited. This ritual is performed through the person who has given the Mukhagni Ritual of giving fire to the dead body. The main ceremony involves a fire sacrifice, in which offerings are given to the ancestors and to gods, to ensure the deceased has a peaceful afterlife. Pind Sammelan is performed to ensure the involvement of the departed soul with that of God. Typically after the ceremony, the family cleans and

washes all the idols in the family shrine; and flowers, fruits, water and purified food are offered to the gods. Then, the family is ready to break the period of mourning and return to daily life. This mourning is held in the commemoration of Imam Al Husayn ibn Ali, who was martyred along with his 72 companions by Yazid bin Muawiyah. Women mourners at the reburial of newly identified victims of the Srebrenica massacre in Bosnia. Mourning is observed in Islam by increased devotion, receiving visitors and condolences, and avoiding decorative clothing and jewelry. Loved ones and relatives are to observe a three-day mourning period. During this time, she is not to remarry, move from her home, or wear decorative clothing or jewelry. Grief at the death of a beloved person is normal, and weeping for the dead is allowed in Islam. Then when they have fulfilled their term, there is no blame on you about what they do with themselves in accordance with the norms [of society]. And Allah is well acquainted with what you do. And there is also no blame on you if you tacitly send a marriage proposal to these women or hold it in your hearts. Allah knows that you would definitely talk to them. Of course you can say something in accordance with the norms [of the society]. And do not decide to marry until the law reaches its term. And know that Allah has knowledge of what is in your hearts; so be fearful of Him and know that Allah is Most forgiving and Most Forbearing. Bereavement in Judaism A woman mourning the death of her husband, Prague , Judaism looks upon mourning as a process by which the stricken can re-enter into society, and so provides a series of customs that make this process gradual. The first stage, observed as all the stages are by immediate relatives parents, spouse, siblings and children is the Shiva literally meaning seven , which consists of the first seven days after the funeral. The second stage is the Shloshim thirty , referring to the thirty days following the death. The period of mourning after the death of a parent lasts one year. Each stage places lighter demands and restrictions than the previous one in order to reintegrate the bereaved into normal life. The most known and central stage is Shiva , which is a Jewish mourning practice in which people adjust their behaviour as an expression of their bereavement for the week immediately after the burial. In the West, typically, mirrors are covered and a small tear is made in an item of clothing to indicate a lack of interest in personal vanity. The bereaved dress simply and sit on the floor, short stools or boxes rather than chairs when receiving the condolences of visitors. English speakers use the expression "to sit shiva". However, some customs still apply. There is a prohibition on getting married or attending any sort of celebrations and men refrain from shaving or cutting their hair. Restrictions during the year of mourning include not wearing new clothes, not listening to music and not attending celebrations. In addition, the sons of the deceased recite the Kaddish prayer for the first eleven months of the year.

### 3: Mourning and Melancholia in the Anthropocene Â« Post45

*About Mourning and Modernity.* In this collection of new and previously published essays, political theorist Isaac D. Balbus deepens and extends the feminist neo-Kleinian account of sexual, political, and technological domination he developed in his earlier works.

Such pronouncements of which these epigraphs serve as illustrations do not merely historicize the term "nature" by insisting on its meanings as always bound up in particular social formations, or critique its essentialist determination, or pluralize the term to allow for multiple contexts and definitions, but instead declare its wholesale extinction as salient material entity and conceptual apparatus. Under this older twentieth-century theory, central to environmental studies discourse beginning in the s and also associated with Frankfurt School and Heideggerian philosophy , nature remains a powerful external force that stands as the essential antagonist of industrial modernization. By contrast, the "end of nature" thesis asserts that under late capitalism, this process has drawn to a definitive close. Nature has been entirely vanquished, its cultural meanings depleted, its status as an "independent force" destroyed. In this book, often described not only as the first mainstream text on climate change but as a groundbreaking theory of planetary ecological crisis, McKibben lays out the above claim in detail: This new rupture with nature is different in scope and kind from salmon tins in an English stream. We have changed the atmosphere and thus we are changing the weather. By changing the weather, we make every spot on earth man-made and artificial. We have deprived nature of its independence, and this is fatal to its meaning. The paradigmatic image of this difference, for McKibben, is the weather itself. Unlike the salmon tin in the English streamâ€”a marker of environmental "damage"â€”the weather stands as the master-sign of anthropogenic effects that are daily and systemic, visible and non-localizable. By changing the weather, McKibben claims, we have already produced a permanent break, not only in the material operations of atmospheric and geochemical systems, but in the cultural "meaning" of nature. While these two texts might be seen as diametrically opposed in tone and conclusion, they share a basic narrative: The end of history, emblemized by the fall of the Berlin Wall and the decline of Communist governments, means the vanquishing of the great Other of actually-existing Marxism and the "unabashed victory of economic and political liberalism. Of course, the "end of nature" and the "end of history" might be said to require each other; the triumph of globalized capitalism rests, at least in part, on the disappearance of nature into resource, commodity, "managed risk. Four Theses," "most of our freedoms so far have been energy-intensive," produced not only through exploitation of human labor but through resource extraction and development on a global scale. What would it mean to imagine "nothing but us"? It is a feat of thinking that begins with the recognition of irretrievable loss, unrecuperable absence, and that dwells strangely, almost vacantly, in that logic of the break, the "nothing but. As McKibben says, "Yes, the wind still blows, but no longer from some other sphere, some inhuman place. Indeed, his nostalgia for Cold War struggle highlights a crisis in historiography produced by the end of this defining historical antagonism. At the same time, they provide a powerful demonstration of an ongoing recalibration of historical thinking in the post-Cold-War era. Tracing these modifications in detail, a task beyond the scope of this essay, would provide a primer-in-miniature of historiographical change after , as the idea of "history" is redefined, rather than resolved, in light of the dominance of global neoliberal capitalism and its attendant geopolitical dynamics. This idea has gained additional heft by the rise into scientific prominence of the Anthropocene as a human-determined geological epoch, which began, according to geologists and climate scientists, in the late eighteenth century with the increasing use of fossil fuels as industrial energy source, and which dramatically intensified in the second half of the twentieth century. It is striking how unexplored this paradigm shift and its radical implications have remained in the field of literary studies. Certainly ecocriticism has offered interpretive frameworks for rethinking questions of nature in relation to ecological crisis. There is, in fact, an emergent literature of this "end of nature" paradigm, engaged in these new modes of thinkingâ€”negative, indebted, elegiacâ€”necessitated by global ecological crisis: Among the preeminent younger poets of the post-Language generation, Spahr is often compared to Whitman in her thematics of collective intimacy as well

as her formal devices of catalog, repetition, and apostrophe. At the same time, her work highlights the logics of neoliberal privatization that divert attention from collective commitments toward individual interests and private encounters. My aim here, then, is to explore how what Chakrabarty calls the "coming undone" of the idea of nature is reflected and reflected on in the workings of "Gentle Now." What is no longer available to the elegy as a form, Spahr makes clear, is precisely its conventional dependence on nature as the figurative resource that regulates the mourning process. This constitutive absence is also the central theme of the poem, which narrates subject-formation as a form of elegiac self-recognition that takes ecological destruction as its tragic precondition. While this narrative of subject-formation has important affiliations with Romantic characterizations of the modern subject predicated on environmental estrangement, Spahr departs from these accounts in her insistence on "scaled-up" human culpability. What renders the narrative structure of "Gentle Now" particularly complicated, however, is the fact that its elegiac framework does not become apparent until the final sections. Instead, the first three sections document, in bildungsroman form, the developmental education of the narrator into an ecosystem and the enchantment she discovers there. It is only midway through "Gentle Now" that this narrative of ecological intimacy is revealed to be a reconstitution of an origin story from a retrospective position of guilty grief. In this way, the poem reveals not how humans actually encounter the natural world, but how we represent this encounter once it is no longer available to us. And yet "Gentle Now" also points, again and again, to the inadequacy and incompleteness of its work of mourning. This inadequacy begins in the fact that the poem never defines precisely what its loss consists of, as if the loss is at once too intimate and too totalized to name. These sections describe relations that will only later be definitively revealed as idealizations that speak not to what is, or even what once was, but to what cannot be. We come into the world. We come into the world and there it is. The sun is there. The brown of the river leading to the blue and the brown of the ocean is there. And we begin to breathe. We come into the world without and we breathe it in. We come into the world and begin to move between the brown and the blue and the green of it. The human is simply one among many creatures moving and breathing amid a swirl of colors, patterns, and life forms. World is absorbed in body; body is absorbed in world. The originary fantasy of these lines is that humans "come into the world" without any negative impact, acting in perfect synchronicity with its ongoing movements. It betrays a wish to remain undifferentiated, immersed. The following section of "Gentle Now" opens again with a moment of origin, this time in a past- rather than present-tense perspective. Here, the speaker, while still plural, is localized, describing a particular childhood by a particular stream. Spahr draws on Romantic conceptions of nature as the first site of human education: The second section opens: We came into the world at the edge of a stream. The stream had no name but it began from a spring and flowed down a hill into the Scioto that then flowed into the Ohio that then flowed into the Mississippi that then flowed into the Gulf of Mexico. The stream was a part of us and we were part of the stream and we were thus part of the rivers and thus part of the gulfs and the oceans. And we began to learn the stream. We looked under stones for the caddisfly larvae and its adhesive. We counted the creek chub and we counted the slenderhead darter. We learned to recognize the large, upright, dense, candle-like clusters of yellowish flowers at the branch ends of the horsechestnut and we appreciated the feathery gracefulness of the drooping, but upturning, branchlets of the larch. We mimicked the catlike meow, the soft quirt or kwut, and the louder, grating ratchet calls of the gray catbird. We put our heads together. We put our heads together with all these things, with the caddisfly larva, with the creek chub and the slenderhead darter, with the horsechestnut and the larch, with the gray catbird. We put our heads together on a narrow pillow, on a stone, on a narrow stone pillow, and we talked to each other all day long because we loved. We loved the stream. And we were of the stream. Humans learn to know and to love not through the primary maternal bond or by enculturation into human social life, but by "putting our heads together" with all the beings of the stream. Nature emerges here as the Wordsworthian "teacher," the primal, always available source of fundamental goodness, innocence, and receptivity. This immersive education is the foundation for all forms of love and the basis of all complex knowledge we develop. These lines insist on the innocence, receptivity, and openheartedness of the speaker, extending the premise of non-agency set out in the opening section. Employing the pastoral idealization central to elegy, they depict an idyllic site of natural simplicity and contentment where the now-lost beloved and the speaker

once dwelled. Yet if these scenes lay the ground for the banishments to come, they also speak poignantly to the psychic need for these fantasies. As Clifton Spargo suggests in his work on the modern elegy, "it is the often delusive, always wishful quality of elegy as a recuperative hypothesis of reciprocity" whether the elegist writes that reciprocity anew or, as is often the case with nostalgically inflected revisionings, for the first time—that constitutes much of its emotional, surprisingly ethical persuasiveness. Who, then, is the subject emerging on the other side of this loss? We now see "the stream" as composed not only of various plant and animal species but destructive toxins and waste: It was a brackish stream and it went through the field beside our house. But we let into our hearts the brackish parts of it also. Some of it knowingly. We let in soda cans and we let in cigarette butts and we let in pink tampon applicators and we let in six pack of beer connectors and we let in various other pieces of plastic that would travel through the stream. And some of it unknowingly. We let the run off from agriculture, surface mines, forestry, home wastewater treatment systems, construction sites, urban yards, and roadways into our hearts. Reckoning with the falsity of its prior idealization of the "stream" as a purified space of peaceful coexistence, the poem now reframes this coexistence as always-already mixed, impure, "brackish. The denatured, polluted stream serves here as the site of elegiac recognition through which the speaker comes to understand her own agential powers. Indeed, we might see this section as undertaking an initial attempt to comprehend the contours of the "geological agency" Chakrabarty describes. We were born at the beginning of these things, at the time of chemicals combining, at the time of stream run off. These things were a part of us and would become more a part of us but we did not know it yet. These lines shed new light on the insufficient origin-stories of prior sections: Culpability precedes intentionality; causality precedes consciousness. These facts are not mitigated by the love, identification, or aesthetic appreciation that the prior sections detail. The confessions of what was done "knowingly" and "unknowingly" thus signal the emergence of a differentiated subject, driven by the need to measure the extent of her blameworthiness. The fifth and last section of "Gentle Now" finally names the speaking subject as a differentiated "I," a self-naming coextensive with an elegiac admission of guilt and grief. This closing section repeats a phrase again and again: With these words, Spahr uncovers an all-consuming, totalizing, but also importantly negative grief—a grief for what one did not know that is also a grief for what one is not. She implicates herself as active agent, involved in the everyday work of destroying the "stream": I turned to each other and I began to work for the chemical factory and I began to work for the paper mill and I began to work for the atomic waste disposal plant and I began to work at keeping men in jail. The narrator turns toward a human beloved, abandoning the stream entirely: In the eroticized body of her human beloved, the narrator rediscovers the beauty and variety formerly described in terms of the stream: Similarly fascinating to the speaker is the realm of commodities, whose names draw on in the most inverted terms possible the name and qualities of "the stream":

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*"Mourning Modernity opens the door to reconsidering Lukács's categories outside of his problematic formal absolutism, with an eye to the variety of affective modes that historical self-awareness can take. This is no small achievement, and offers a key vantage on the constitution of."*

In Iran this is called taziya or taziye. Theatrical groups that specialize in taziya are called taziya groups. Nonetheless, tazyas continued to exist in Iran on a smaller scale especially in more rural and traditional areas. Reza Shah, the first of the Pahlavi dynasty, had outlawed tazyas. Despite attempts since, Muharram processions and various forms of the rawza khani are still more common. In the ninth century, lamentation and wailing became propounded as a mourning tradition. Noha is the poem and story that be inspired from Maqal al-Husayn various books which narrate the story of the battle of Karbala and the death of Husayn ibn Ali. The main subject of noha is the pain from the killing of Husayn ibn Ali. Noha consists of poems in different languages such as Arabic. There is close relation between the lamentation and weeping. According to the narration, Shia Imams had emphasized to weep for them, so it had transmitted to future generation. Lamenting and weeping for the mazloom wronged and offering condolences to his family, thus, will serve as one of the good deeds done by the mourners of Husayn azadaar e Husayn and will be helpful in saving them from being condemned to hell fire on the day of judgement. The chest-beating, flagellation and face-slapping latm are usual acts doing during the mourning procession, but chest-beating and face-slapping latm have more precedence and the history of doing this acts had been reached to Buyid dynasty period. In the nineteenth century, the Iranian practiced chest beating introduced by Indian Syed Dildar Ali Nasirabadi and the chest beating was attributed to the concept of Zuljinah the horse with two wings processions. The chest beating is allowed just in calamities belong to the family of Prophet Muhammad. The previous record of this dramatic act reaches back to the seventeenth century practice in the Caucasus and in Azerbaijan, and was observed in the nineteenth century by the Shia Twelvers in central and southern cities of Iran and the Arab world. Rawda Khwani Rawda is one of the Shia Iranian mourning rituals to commemorate the death of Husayn ibn Ali and his followers "especially it is the kind of public lamentation. Rawda means garden in Arabic language and this name is acquired from the title of Rawdat al-Shuhada, literary masterpiece book authored by Husayn Waiz Kashifi in Persian. The word of Rawda-khawani means "recitation from Rawdat alshuhada" and generally is named Rawda. At first this ritual became customary on first ten days of Muharram, but by passing of time it was performed during Muharam and Safar and other days of year. This ritual can be held at every where such as houses, the yard of mosque, the square of city or village and also Hussainiya and the Tekyeh. The origin place of Rawda was Iran, but then at Bahrain this ritual is seen in its original form and at other place like India, the modified form of it is held. It is the ensign of Husayn ibn Ali in the Battle of Karbala and a sign of truth and bravery. The length of an Alam can be about 15 feet. An Alam consists of flexible steel blades placed at the upper part of it. Also, an Alam is decorated by plumes and fine embroidered silks and brocades.

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