Criticism on neoliberalism tends to emphasize technological developments in surveillance and control of the city space and its population. It sometimes amounts to depicting a dystopian vision of cyber society. Works on the concepts of governmentality and disciplinary society by Michel Foucault and a recent publication by Jonathan Crary on contemporary crisis of perception seem to give a theoretical basis on that kind of approach. However, in their texts, we find a totally different conception of human behavior that goes beyond their fatalistic reading towards a counter-vision of modern society as the authors clearly point out both the impossibility of capitalist utopia and the collective potentiality of revolt of those governed. The faculty is closely related to dreaming a new world here now, and thus connects to recent growing focus of radical social philosophy on the historical experience of communes, inspired by contemporary global popular uprisings for democracy.

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