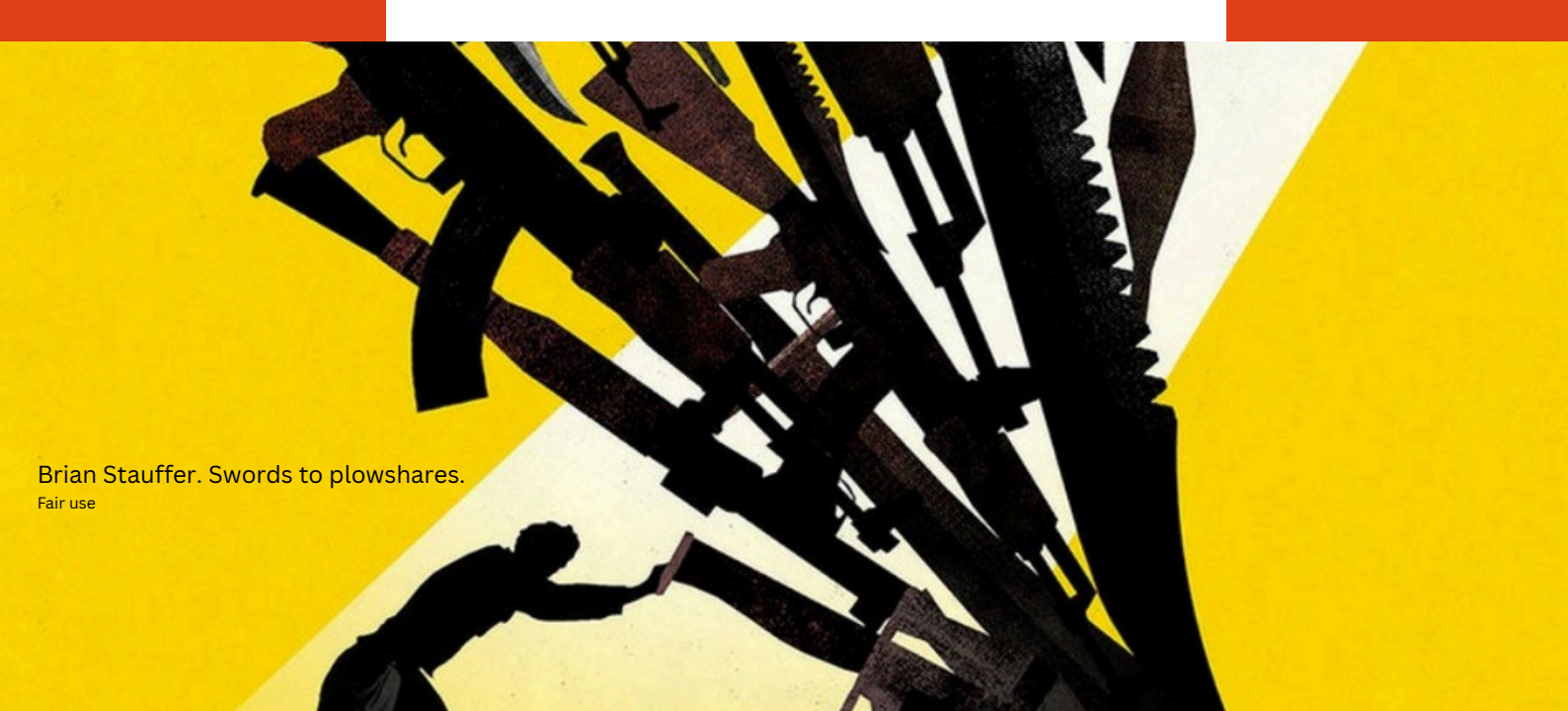


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Brian Stauffer. Swords to plowshares.
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Subversive, Fearless and Visionary

editorial

Subversive: 'When Donald Trump told Americans that the Coronavirus would soon disappear, I went mad. So I painted 'Under Control'. Trump could grumble as much as he wanted, but he just couldn't do anything about this picture, which exposed him as corrupt and ridiculous. I love the subversive power of art". Brian Stauffer, an illustrator and painter, wants to face the truth and doesn't turn away from others' pain. He is interested in exposing abuse of power, racism and intolerance, and believes that art can condemn the true perversion of hybris. He rejects war as a solution to conflict. "War is no solution, it's a failure" he told the Rosa Luxemburg Foundation in Berlin. He is also the author of the graphic *Swords to plowshares* (Jesaja 2,4).

Fairless. 192 journalists have been killed in Gaza since October 2023. Mariam Abu Dagga at the Nasar hospital and Anas Al-Sharif at the media tent at Al-Shifa hospital are just two of those committed professionals who, unafraid of the danger, left their lives on the battlefield of collective madness. "Best of luck to you all <3" was Mariam's last WhatsApp. The Sumud Flotilla continues its sailing to Gaza despite drone attacks.

Visionary. Ambassador Pasquale Ferrara is committed to DIALOP and is one of the key speakers at the upcoming HOPE conference 17-18 Oct. He promoted a petition which has collected more than 60 thousand signatures in support of the recognition of the State of Palestine. "We will not stop until the next UN General Assembly in September," he said, "when countries like France, the UK and Canada could recognize the State of Palestine".

Subversive, fearless and visionary. These are the excellences requested today!

UNDER CONTROL
BY BRIAN STAUFFER
APPEARED IN THE
NEWYORKER
2022



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in rough times

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COMMON PROGRAMME

Programme 17 – 18 October 2025

Friday 17th October at 17:00 CET

Sources of hope in rough times

Hub EVENT SophiaUniversity- (Italy)

With

Ambassador Pasquale Ferrara

Walter Baier President of the European Left

in dialogue with the students of the university

Via ZOOM with the local groups

19:00 Discussions within the local groups

Saturday 18 Oct.

Morning: Local events in the groups

16:00 CET Presentation of the contributions of the local groups - Via ZOOM

Conclusions and commitments

18:00 END