We are Whole

Shared on the stage of World Philosophy Day, 'We Are Whole' - a spoken poetry was written and performed by members of New Acropolis. It's a poem which shares that regardless of all the separation we see, harmony can exist, but it must be through us.



Differences

All I notice are differences! (...let me say that again...)
All I notice are differences...
There's conflict all around.
It's layered with lies...
just no common ground.

Difference in thought leading to painful distaste.
I can't even connect with my neighbour l can't, communicate.

I grew up with comparisons From art vs science to boys vs girls. One *obviously* better than the other. As if they were from, different worlds.

Nothing seems to have changed.

I still feel stuck in this world of comparisons.

But this world is my own.

My needs vs wants to my comforts vs truth

...these are seeds, that I have sown.

None of this feels natural I'm scattered, losing control I feel so separate within I need to be whole.



Diversity

If light was just white, There'd be no rainbow,

What would be red and what would be green? What about the blues and ohhh.... the yellows!

Sweaters on mountains, and slippers by the beach Scent of a roast... Would I even taste a peach?

Who would you be and who would I? If we were all the same, colored in the same dye.

What would we speak about? When would we muse?

If each moment was the same, would time even be of use?

Hmm... yeah,

To see the lights and darks as they are, For what is a picture without its contrasts,

A movement between these shades, A dance that liberates.

Open your heart to the endless textures of life, Choose what to highlight and let yourself shine.



Unity

For soul and matter exist in sync And heart and mind wish to align within Like branches gathering to the mighty trunk Why compare when our roots touch the same sun?

Like the arrow that brings together archer and bow Like the torch that brings together bearer and woe It is our dharma that aligns within and without It is our willingness to choose what we endure throughout

> It is our ability to see past missing links Past selfish wins and separate things Past country borders and ignorant eyes So we can live together this one life

Because it is possible!

Like our connection to the womb we drew from

With each breath we unite with a life that gives

With hope and drive and a heart that forgives

All we need is love to live, to experience and evolve with - that is philosophy!

To bridge the gaps that we naturally see
Built with gratitude, courage and generosity
For without them who would we be?
Because Unity in diversity will forever exist
But it is we who must continue to actively persist

