

# Summer of 2021: Vacations, Visitations, Presentations

Dear You,

this summer was **both** very relaxed **and** very active! Plus I am proud of my creative work! For example:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ycrl7NI8sOY>

I am **both** mourning that the world is on fire & flooded, pandemic is still raging, there's loss & pain... **and** I am celebrating that my family members are healthy, we got some rest & fun during vacation, and finally were able to meet with friends in person. I am grateful to my "virtual sisters in a pod": Keva, Sarah & Jocelyn, and my "3 sisters" Nana & Nikolina, for keeping me loved and loving!

Let me share some "**offers & needs**" for the upcoming days/weeks/months...

- I am inviting you to come over for the sauna in our house, a meal, and/or tea in my greenhouse-paradise
- My cat is offering the pleasures of belly-rubs (his belly, you rub) & a stroll around the block
- I am available for empathic listening, via video-conference, or phone, or while having a walk in the park

## Needs:

I would gratefully accept some ways of meeting my **needs** for:

- deep emotional connection, intimacy nourishment, affection, vulnerabilities sharing...
- fun, joy, crying, pleasure, excitement, laughter, ecstasy, playfulness; celebrations AND mournings!
- retreat: rest, time for reflection, recovery, releasing of tensions & grief...

## Practically:

- I'd love to exchange (more) visits, so please invite me over, and consider yourself welcome here!
  - We've been meeting on Wednesdays at Social Evenings in [TechInc.nl](https://www.techinc.nl), please join us
  - if you are not on [UnCiv.nl](https://www.unciv.nl) please subscribe: it's an active (alternative) community mailing list
- Alternatively: suggest something yourself! I am open for the possibilities & synchronicity & **serendipity**!

Love,

Vesna



## Kids' Vacations

First part of holidays kids went with their friends: Alisa by train to Berlin (with Wallis, Elze, Maartje & Thalia); Charlie flying to Krakow & then rural music festival (with Rens, Cat & Maron + Eliasz, Kaja, Silver, George, Korab...).



## Lika & Lisac & "Puh"

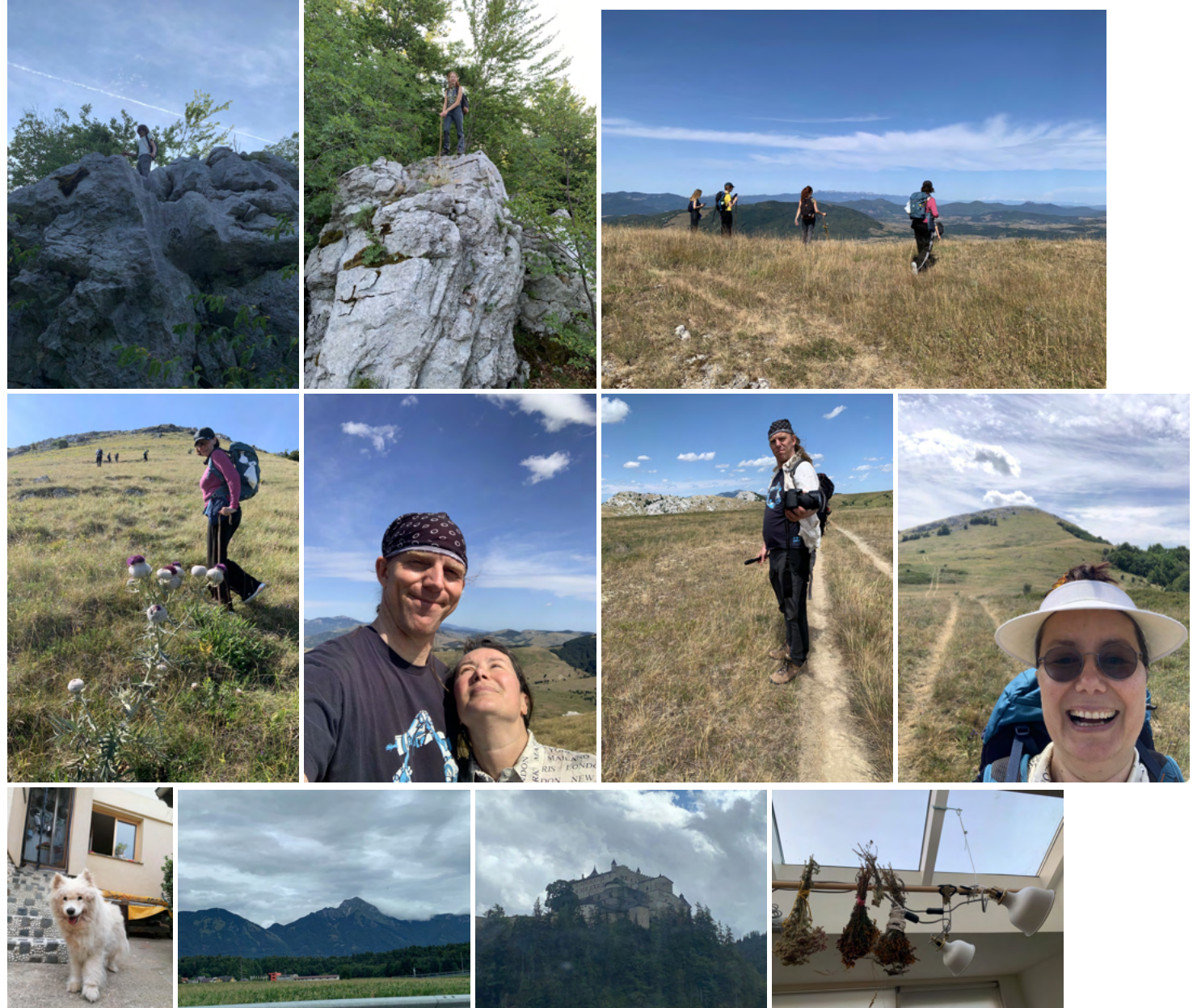
We've spent 2 weeks in Lika, including driving there and back; Nana, Iris & Lara joined by train, Charlie flew into Split a bit later. Along the way we visited Zdravko, Nikolina, Micerete, Kruno, (and all their families)... We've struggled with water shortage, learned to make *burek*, climbed Lisac, swam in sea, visited Mileva in Dalmacia (& Marija, Anka, Sandra...), picked herbs, made fire, slept outside...

Sad news: in September, my uncle / Nikolina's father died!! One more link with Lika is no more... :(







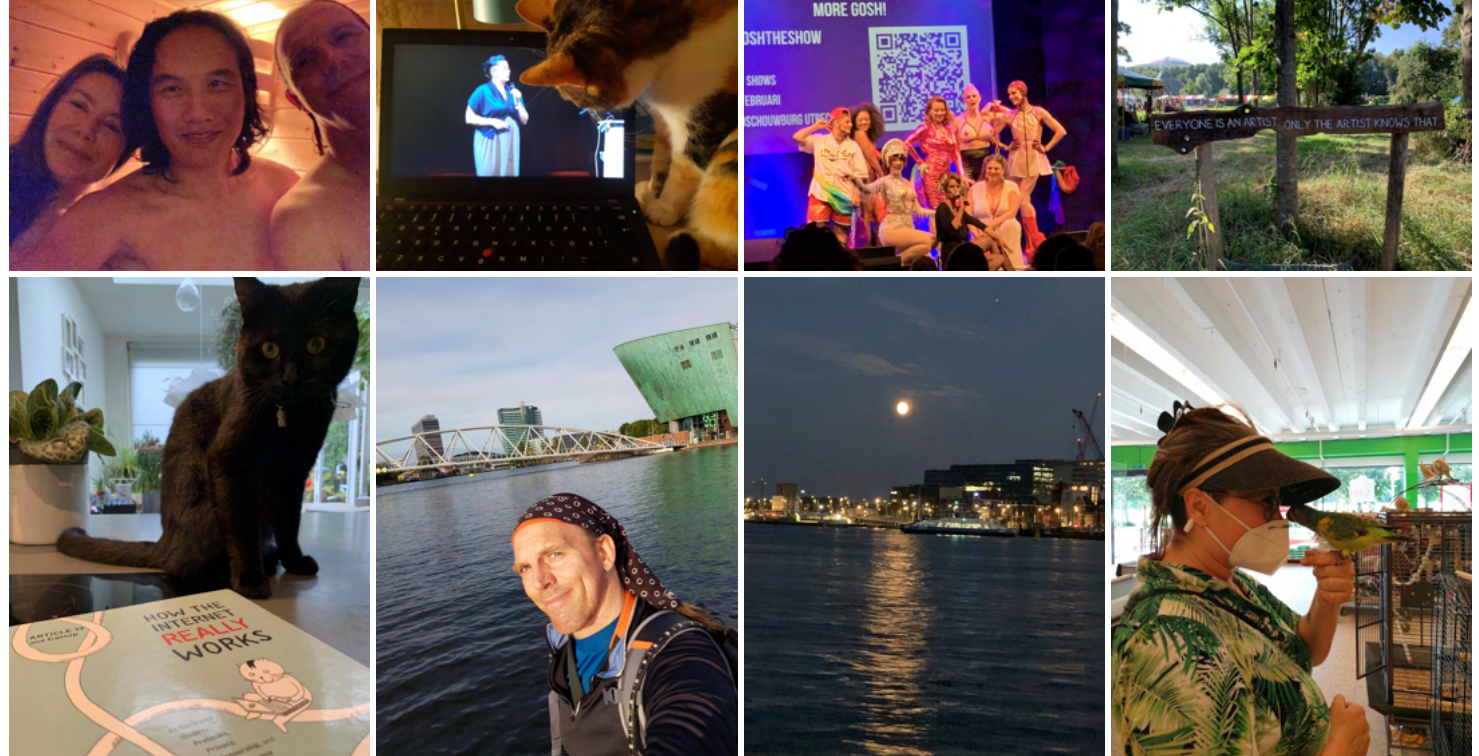


## Visitations

We had visits by many many friends: Patrice, Josephine & Herve, Hanno, Jocelyn, Akos, Ulrike, Antony, Risa, Carl, Marina, Drew, Tessel, Moin, Mirjam ... I saw many theatre performances: Arjan Lubach, and 5-6 plays during Fringe Festival! Plus Ruigoord, and beer fest... And friends of Alisa & Charlie also came to visit & stay - such pleasure to have young people in our lives!







## Work / Play

I've been very productive and creative; I am proud of my achievements:

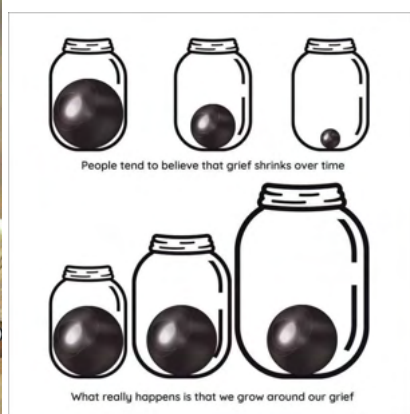
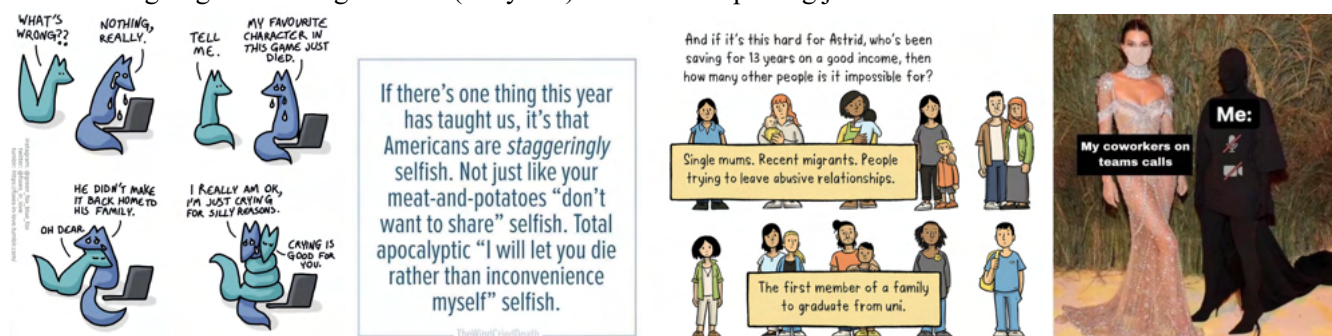
- published 3 last articles in the series of 10 : <https://labs.ripe.net/author/becha/>
- gave 3 presentations (NLNOG, EPF, SEE9) & moderated "green tech" panel <https://wiki.techinc.nl/User:Becha#2021>
- hired Jelena Cosic to work with us for next 3 months!

I am focused on resilience, mental health, diversity, justice, privilege, co-empowerment, "green tech"...  
Let's work on some projects together, if you wish!

## Future is Un-evenly Distributed

What's awaiting us till the end of 2021 is... as always, unpredictable, and still:

- we will (have to) make a decision about leaving or staying in our current house
- Arnd will (maybe) take a long vacation, and then stop with his work for XS4ALL/KPN
- Charlie is going on with high school (5th year!) & Alisa is exploring jobs & hobbies & interests & LIFE!

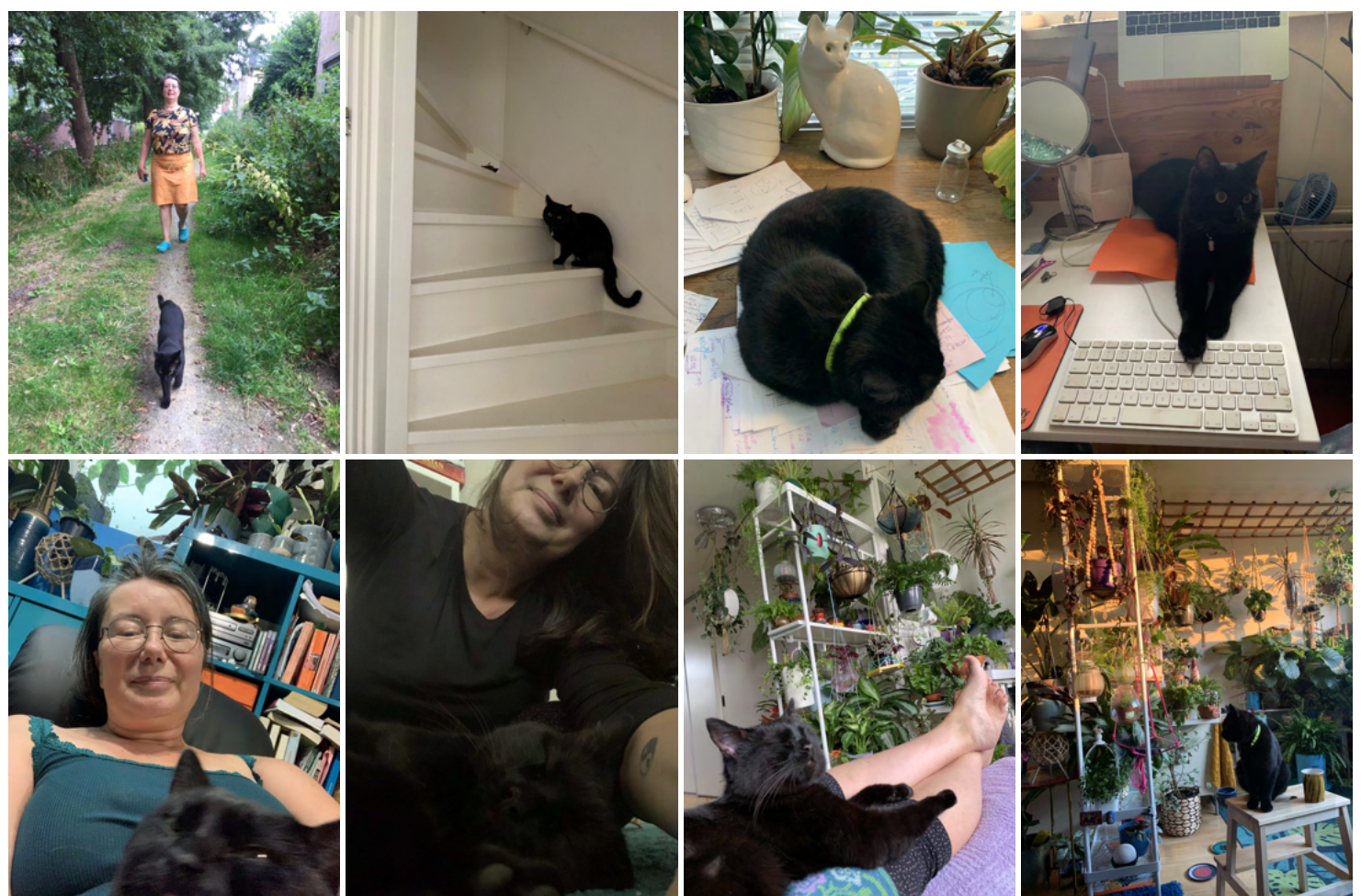




# Plants Paradise



# Our Beloved Cat







## Other Cats

Mario, Mario, Koko, Brownie, No Name x2 & more Mario!



## Cat Memes

