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*The images featured here come from her work-in-progress tarot deck entitled “Ang Lakarang Baliw”. The image on p.34 draws from photojournalist Raffy Lerma's 2016 'pieta' photograph depicting Tokhang victim Michael Siaron, cradled by partner Jennilyn Olayres. The image on p.88 refers to the bombing of Marawi by government forces.*

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