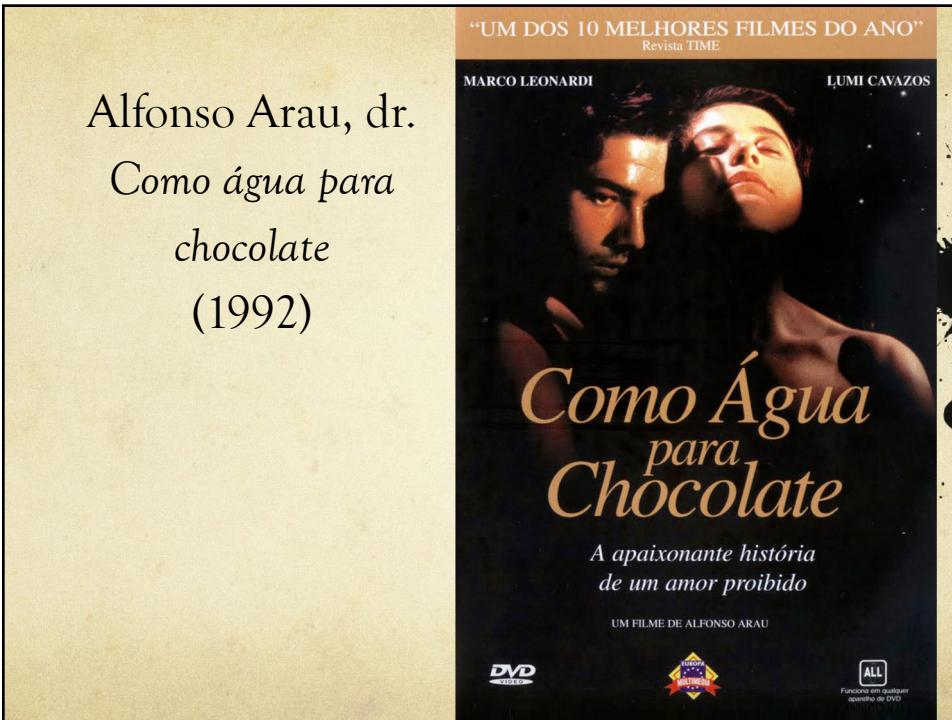


Magic realism: “what happens when a highly detailed, realistic setting is invaded by something too strange to believe.” (Matthew Strecher)





# Francisco Gomez de Quevedo

## LOVE CONSTANT BEYOND DEATH

The final shadow that will close my eyes  
will in its darkness take me from white day  
and instantly untie the soul from lies  
and flattery of death, and find its way  
and yet my soul won't leave its memory  
of love there on the shore where it has burned:  
my flame can swim cold water and has learned  
to lose respect for laws' severity.

My soul, whom a God made his prison of,  
my veins, which a liquid humor fed to fire,  
my marrows, which have gloriously flamed,  
will leave their body, never their desire;  
they will be ash but ash in feeling framed;  
they will be dust but will be dust in love.

## AMOR CONSTANTE MÁS ALLÁ DE LA MUERTE

Cerrar podrá mis ojos la póstuma  
Sombra que me llevaré el blanco día;  
Y podrá desatar esta alma tñía  
Hora, a su afán ansioso lisonjera;  
Mas no de esotra parte en la ríbera  
Dejará la memoria, en donde ardía:  
Nadar sabe mi llama el agua fría,  
Y perder el respeto a ley severa.  
Alma, a quien todo un Dios prisión ha sitiado,  
Venas, que humor a tanto fuego han dado,  
Médulas; que han gloriosamente ardido,  
Su cuerpó dejará, nq su cuidado;  
Serán ceniza, mas tendrá sentido;  
Polvo serán, mas polvo enamoradó.

(1631)

Rosal del Virrey

M.C. Escher

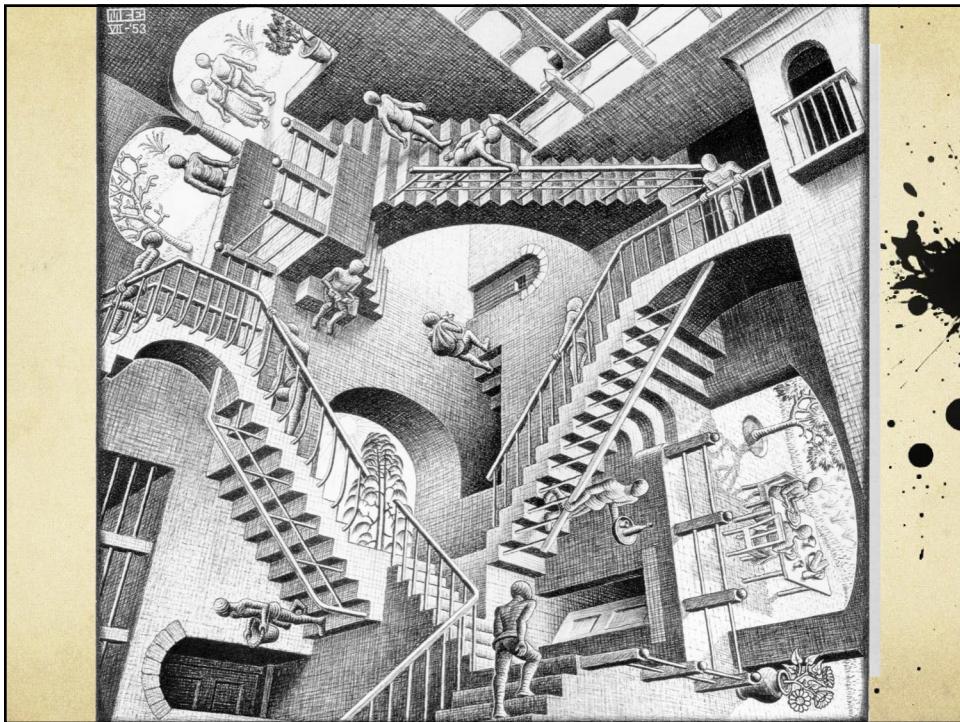
“The Bridge”

(1930)

“Relativity”

(1953)





Xalapa, Mexico (photo by kfordk, 2014)



George Rodrigue's Blue Dogs

