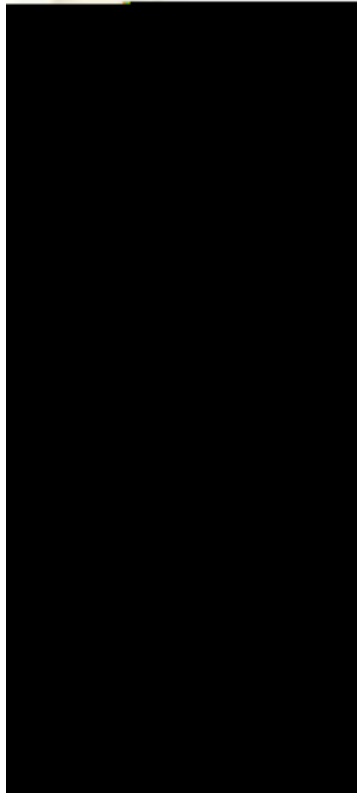


**ORGANIC BALANCE AS A CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK
FOR SOCIAL CHANGE MOVEMENTS**

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*"Think of the tennis player waiting to receive a service, the Tai Chi expert ready to move in any direction,
the caring human being ready to sense the*

Imbalance occurs n



never only one or the other. There is no such thing as day without night, change without sameness, male without female (el ii ah d d u e f d

For example, brain research tells us the

Figure 4: A world out of balance ('koyaanisqatsi,' to the American Indians)

It is because of an historical imbalance of power on the yang side that our heavily yang-orie

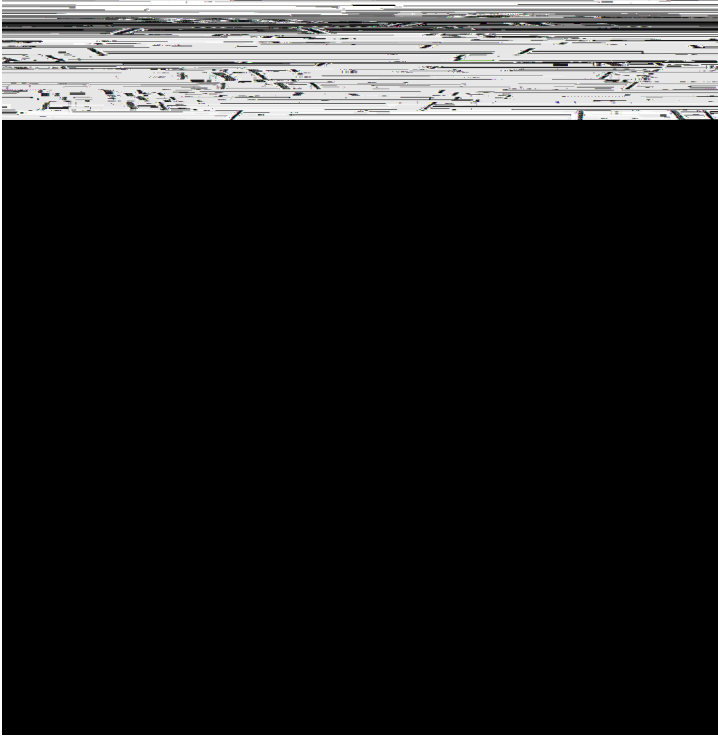
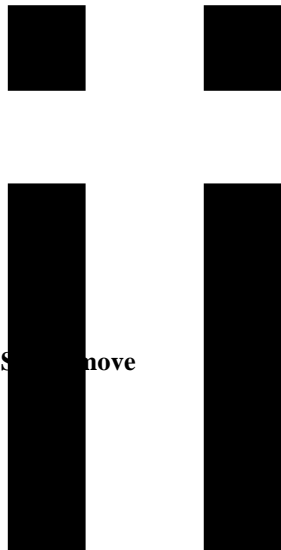


Figure 5: S...move



How this movement toward rebalancing began is a mystery. Is it a miracle or is it a fail-safe processes built into t

economic system.

The new "redefining masculinity" movement and the women's movement among others focus on issues of intrapersonal imbalance and the social, cultural

know when we are the "hundredth monkey." However, and importantly, as

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From some combination of reasons not entirely clear to me, I bega

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anthropology. However, my concrete, real-world problem -- to address violence against women on our campus-- suddenly looked like a microcosm for the whole issue of rebalancing power and culture. (Allen, Association of Feminist Anthropology, 2001.) If my need to solve campus

and cultural interconnections that actually are involved when a coed is raped by her date, a a c