

Independent Voices, New Perspectives

Words and Meaning: An Exploration of DTLA

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I've always known that my beloved Los Angeles has a dark, gritty side. But until I moved downtown in May of 2013, I never understood the poetry of these mean streets. I was bombarded with semiotics; the study of signs and symbols and their use or interpretation. As a poet, I paid close attention. As a photographer, I began to connect the text with the DTLA surroundings. When a friend pronounced the results "semiotic," I began documenting in earnest. Here are just a few of those photos.

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	"Repent! Follow Jesus"
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	"_Elf Storage"
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	"Finally Got An Interview"
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	"They Who Can Give Up"
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	"Spare Any Left OveRs"
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	"Freedom"
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	"King Eddy's Saloon"

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