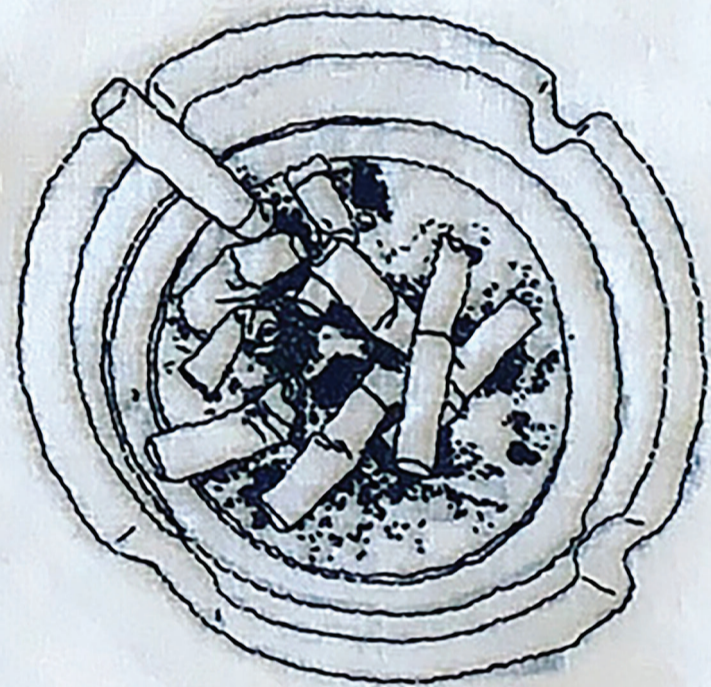


I gave up drinking  
and came to be,  
what seemed to be,  
a description  
of reality



The search for the authentic self is a multi-million dollar industry, manufacturing discontent akin to the beauty industry. This piece is a challenge to the naturalisation of commodified authenticity, as part of a broader analysis of the Lacanian concept of reality.