

PROVAG / manifesto of the provisional avant-garde

1. the provisional avant-garde is currently accepting resignations
2. the provisional avant-garde is provisional
3. the provisional avant-garde unclenches the map
4. the provisional avant-garde (provag) is a little machine beside the tracks
5. the provisional avant-garde (provag) decrees nul and void all awards bestowed by the Governor General of Kanada until further notice
6. the provisional avant-garde (provag) will occasionally enter the academy to use the washrooms
7. who was that small brown-haired boy in short pants — the provisional avant-garde
8. the provisional avant-garde (provag) writes on rather than about the city
9. those cows that are clouds on the plateau; they are the provisional avant-garde (provag)
10. if it looks like the avant-garde it's not the provisional avant-garde (provag)
11. the provisional avant-garde (provag) will have its cake and eat it again and again
12. the provisional avant-garde (provag) is not a system of pointing
13. the provisional avant-garde (provag) will not dig deeper
14. the provisional avant-garde (provag) will not shake the hand that feeds it
15. the provisional avant-garde (provag) is neither clever nor ironic nor warm-hearted
16. the small black squirrel that leapt from the tree branch to the roof is the provisional avant-garde (provag)
17. the provisional avant-garde (provag) hates poetry
18. the provisional avant-garde (provag) hates fiction
19. the provisional avant-garde (provag) hates non-fiction
20. the provisional avant-garde (provag) hates drama
21. the provisional avant-garde (provag) will do-si-do
22. the provisional avant-garde (provag) will pause now to get the fuck out of Afghanistan
23. the provisional avant-garde (provag) is environmentally friendly: it will continuously recycle the same characters and plots

24. the provisional avant-garde (provag) discounts prizes, contests, literary magazines, journals and blogs, mainstream, small and micro presses
25. the provisional avant-garde (provag) repudiates readings, open mics, slams and spoken word, creative writing workshops, and cocktail parties
26. the provisional avant-garde (provag) washes its hands of museums, private and artist run galleries, private commissions and public art
27. the provisional avant-garde (provag) will drink and sleep sous les ponts
28. the value of the provisional avant-garde = 574
29. $\text{provag} = 40+60+90+6 = 196$
30. the provisional avant-garde (provag) is a continual permutation of letters
31. the provisional avant-garde (provag) concedes that writing is not enough
32. the provisional avant-garde (provag) is incomplete
33. what webbed tales will emerge from those tailings ponds: the provisional avant-garde (provag)
34. the provisional avant-garde (provag) guarantees a high return on your investment
35. the provisional avant-garde (provag) declares as follows