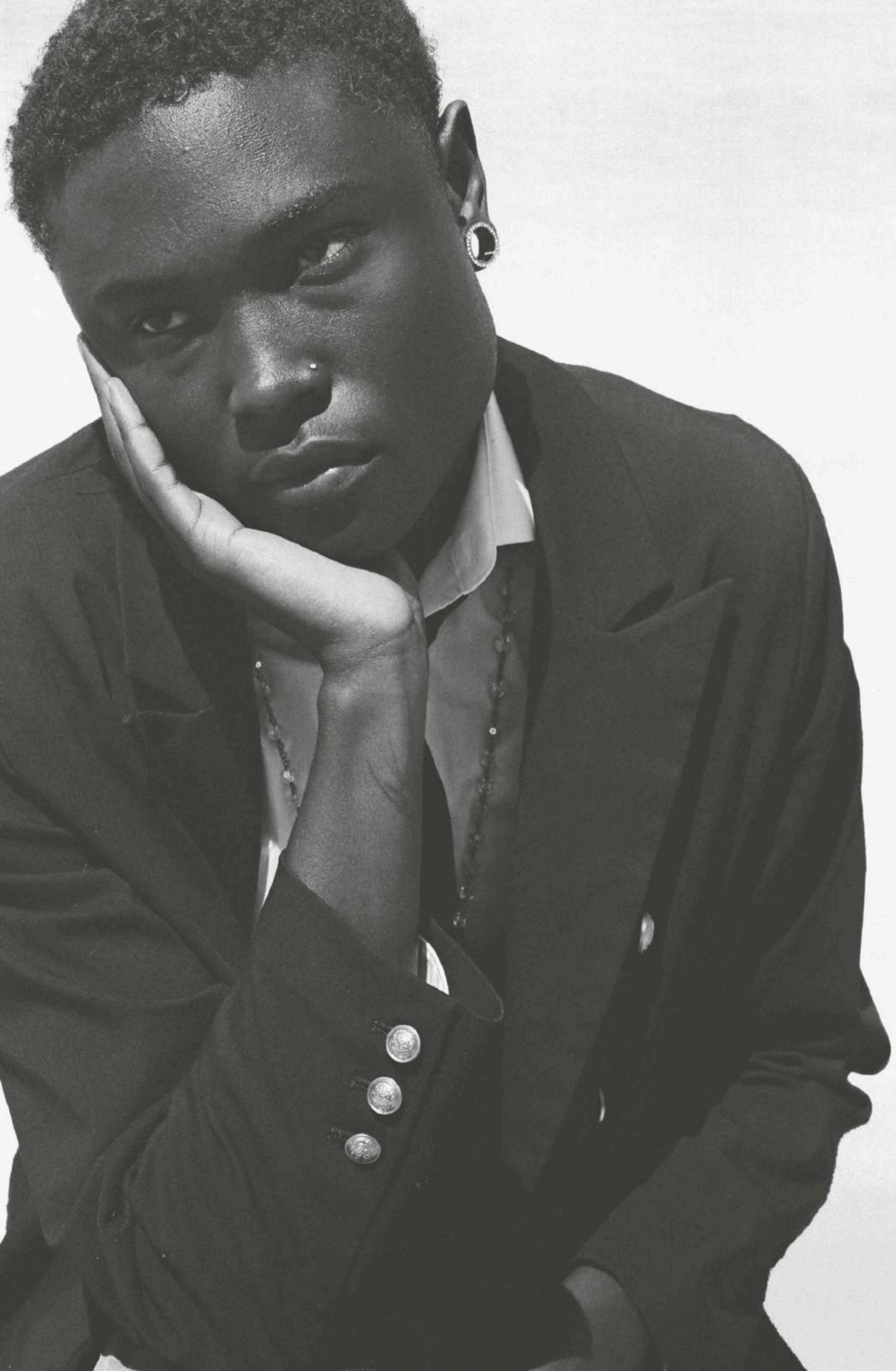


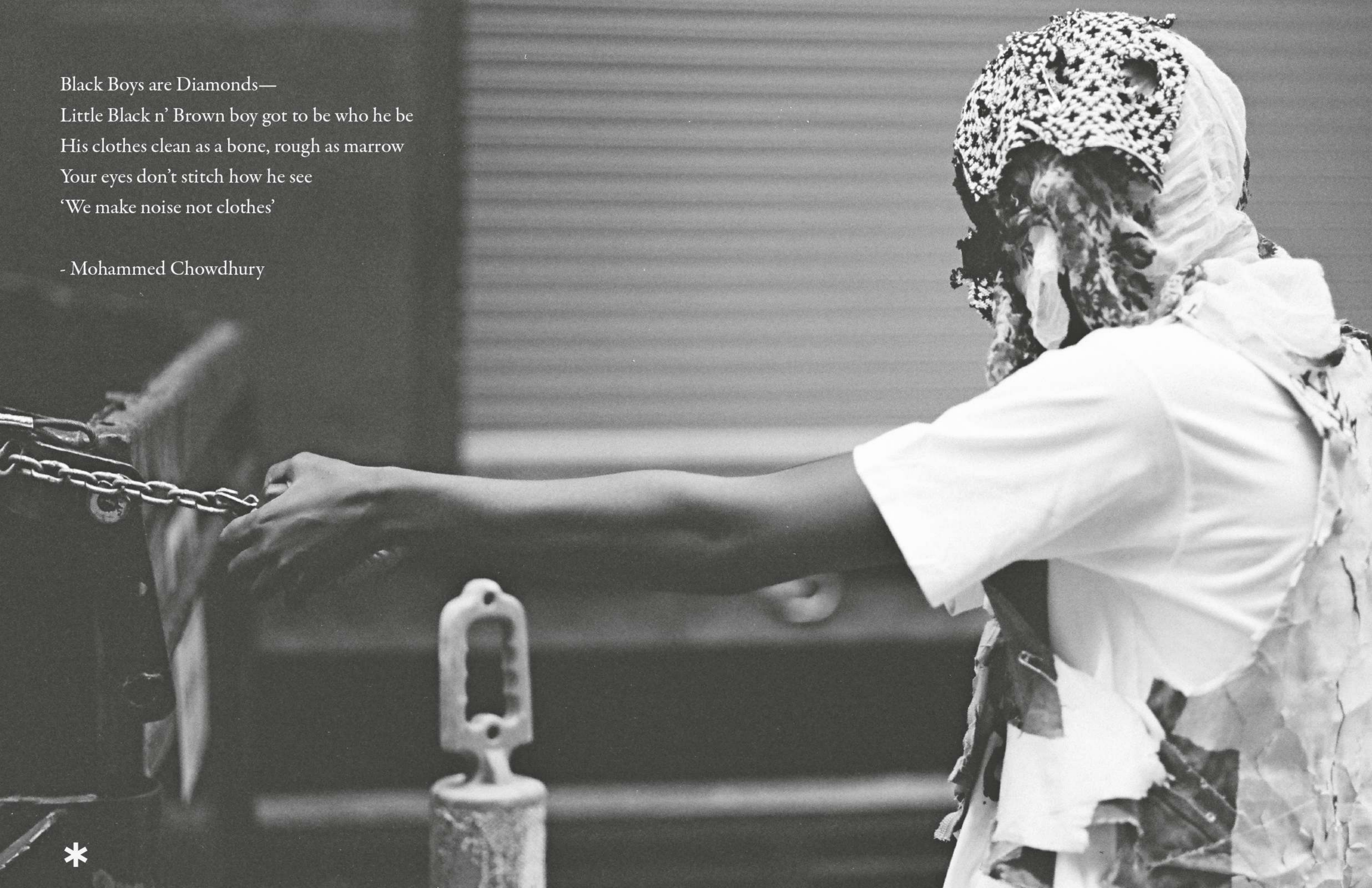
**BLACK BOYS ARE DIAMONDS\***





Black Boys are Diamonds—  
Little Black n' Brown boy got to be who he be  
His clothes clean as a bone, rough as marrow  
Your eyes don't stitch how he see  
'We make noise not clothes'

- Mohammed Chowdhury

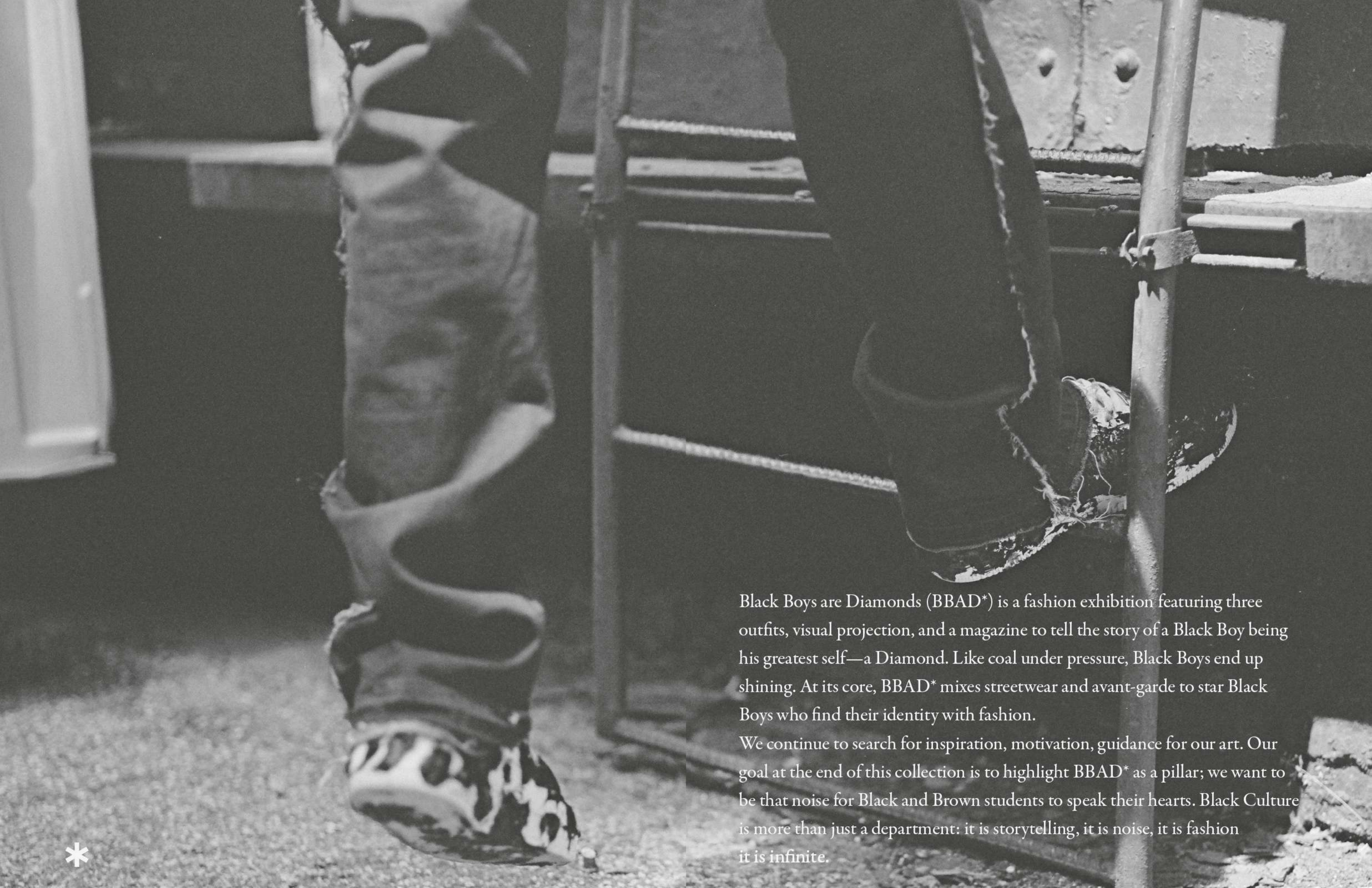


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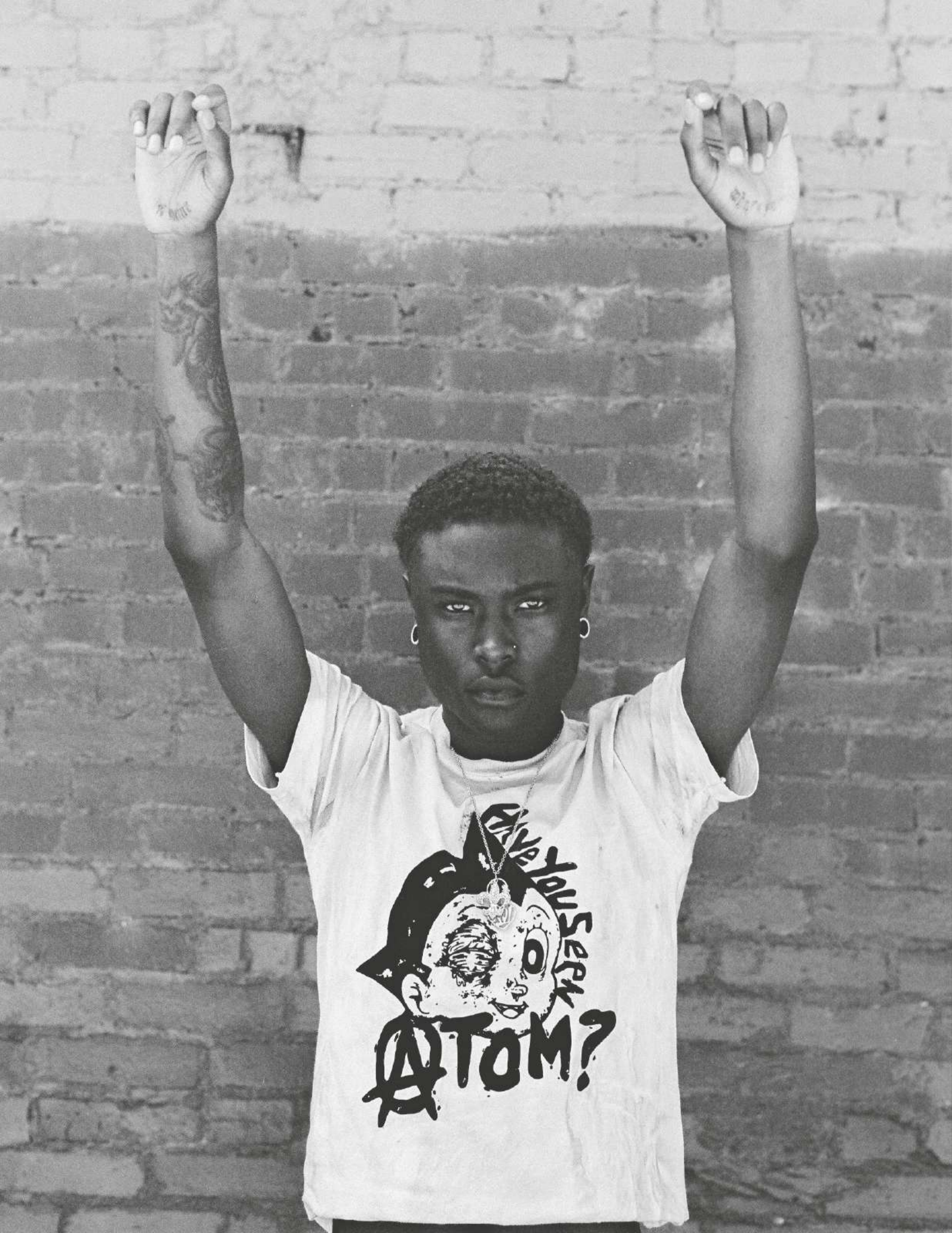


Black Boys are Diamonds (BBAD\*) is a fashion exhibition featuring three outfits, visual projection, and a magazine to tell the story of a Black Boy being his greatest self—a Diamond. Like coal under pressure, Black Boys end up shining. At its core, BBAD\* mixes streetwear and avant-garde to star Black Boys who find their identity with fashion.

We continue to search for inspiration, motivation, guidance for our art. Our goal at the end of this collection is to highlight BBAD\* as a pillar; we want to be that noise for Black and Brown students to speak their hearts. Black Culture is more than just a department: it is storytelling, it is noise, it is fashion it is infinite.

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