PSEUDO-MANIFESTO*

1. Truth is only stranger than fiction if you’re a stranger to the truth. Which means you’re either a liar or you’re fictional.

2. A realistic story is a story lacking in imagination. (What does realistic mean, anyway? Would you say something is true-istic?)

3. I’ve never met a joke so bad I didn’t like it. Then again, I’ve never met a joke.

4. When in doubt, you can’t be wrong.

5. Whether is chocolate or socks, the rule is the same: the darker, the better.

6. There is more to life than chocolate. There is, for example, cheese.

7. If a waiter accidentally serves you a burger with mayonnaise, it’s not enough for him to scrape it off. He must order you a new burger.

8. It’s pronounced sue DON im us.


10. I know you are. But what am I?

* A manifesto is not a fiesta for a man. In fact, it is not a fiesta of any kind. It is not even a fiesto. Rather, it is a statement of principles. Usually political or artistic principles. But you could write a manifesto about anything. For instance, chocolate or cheese. A pseudo-manifesto is either a fake manifesto or a manifesto written by Pseudonymous Bosch. So perhaps I should have called it a pseudo-pseudo-manifesto. Before reading further, why not write your own manifesto? Then you can see how many ways my book fails to measure up to your ideas about the way things should be. Just don’t tell me about it.