

## **WORK//**

### **WELCOME TO AUTISTAN**

- Free theme -

67 million people with autism worldwide, 700,000 in France, 100,000 of whom are under 20 years of age. This number continues to increase as diagnosis method improves. It's no longer a rare handicap.

France has considered autism as a handicap since 1996. It is experiencing a long delay in taking care of people living with an autistic disorder, preferring to be shelved rather than integration. She has been condemned several times by the Council of Europe and recalled by the United Nations for violating the rights of the child.

The IME (Medical and Education Institute) called "la Sapinière", at St Jans Cappel in France, managed by the French Red Cross, welcomes children with autistic disorders, and helps them by favoring language through images (PECS), by developing the gestures of daily life (setting the table, going to the toilet etc) and by promoting inclusive life.

In this context, the IME "la Sapinière" has an innovative approach in the care of these children. That's what interested me first.

## **BIO//**

I am a self-taught photographer. A sociologist by training, I'm interested in people and how society treats its members. Exclusion, being put away, are behaviors that particularly affect me.