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This mural (photographed by Peter Rimar) is part of the East Side Gallery, a 1.3 km-long section of the former Berlin Wall. Its creator is unknown, but the mural, like others in the gallery, is an optimistic depiction of human togetherness after a time of emotional and physical separation. As such, it is a fitting image for our theme of mental illness. Throughout the issue, we also include works by painters known to have suffered from mental illness.

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