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THE END OF THE WORLD GRADUATION COLLECTION

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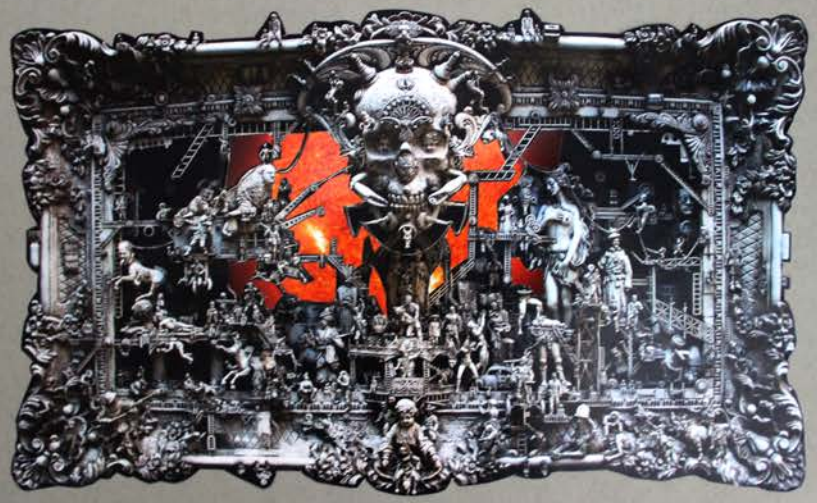
Mass Extinction



THE CONCEPT

My collection is inspired by the expressive sculptures of the American artist Kris Kuksi. Kuksi is known for collecting random objects and placing them in compositions which refer to the Baroque time period. The idea of his sculptures is to create scenes from "the end of the world" as he imagines them.

The thought of "the end of humanity" exists from the dawn of time. The three monotheistic religions each have their own view on the events that may lead to the end.

However, not only religious views predict the end of humanity. Scientists also anticipate "the end." They believe that a solar super storm from the sun is what may have led to the extinction of dinosaurs, and what may be the biggest threat to planet earth today.

Solar Flare

RESEARCH

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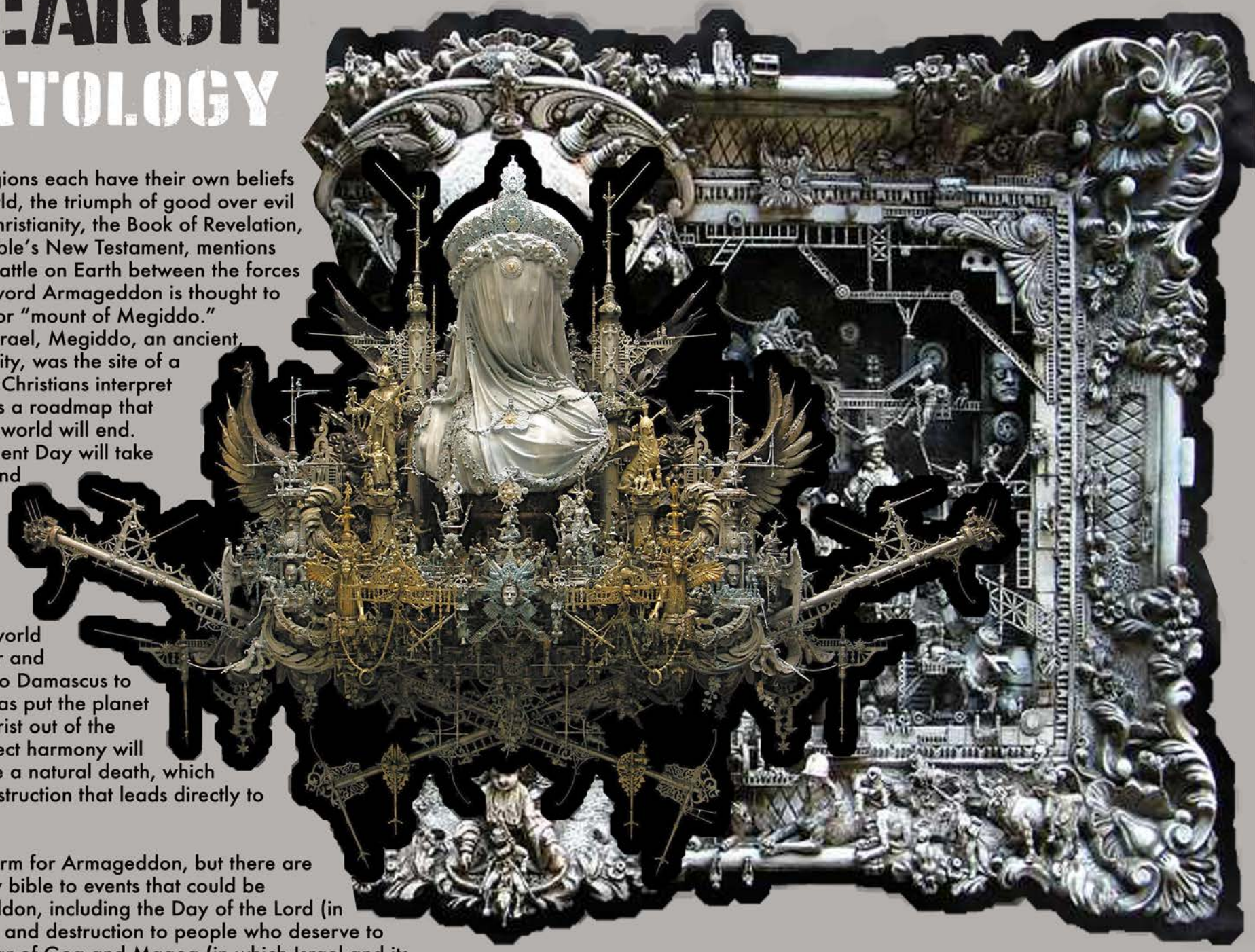
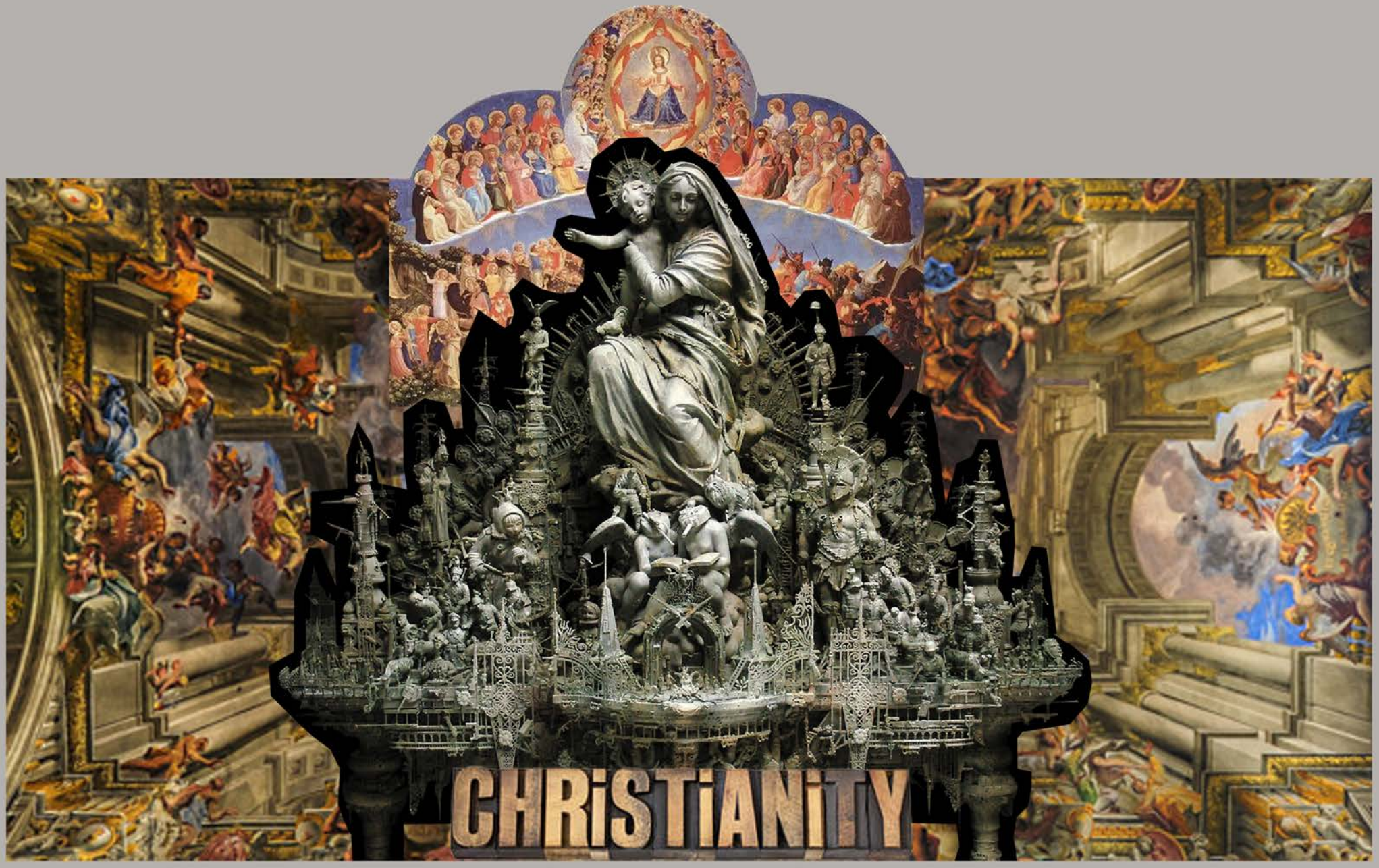


The planet's major religions each have their own beliefs about the end of the world, the triumph of good over evil and Judgment Day. In Christianity, the Book of Revelation, the last chapter of the Bible's New Testament, mentions Armageddon, the final battle on Earth between the forces of God and Satan. The word Armageddon is thought to come from the Hebrew for "mount of Megiddo." Located in present-day Israel, Megiddo, an ancient, strategically positioned city, was the site of a number of battles. Some Christians interpret the Book of Revelation as a roadmap that lays out exactly how the world will end. They contend that Judgment Day will take place on Armageddon and Jesus will save the true believers, while non-believers left behind will face enormous suffering.

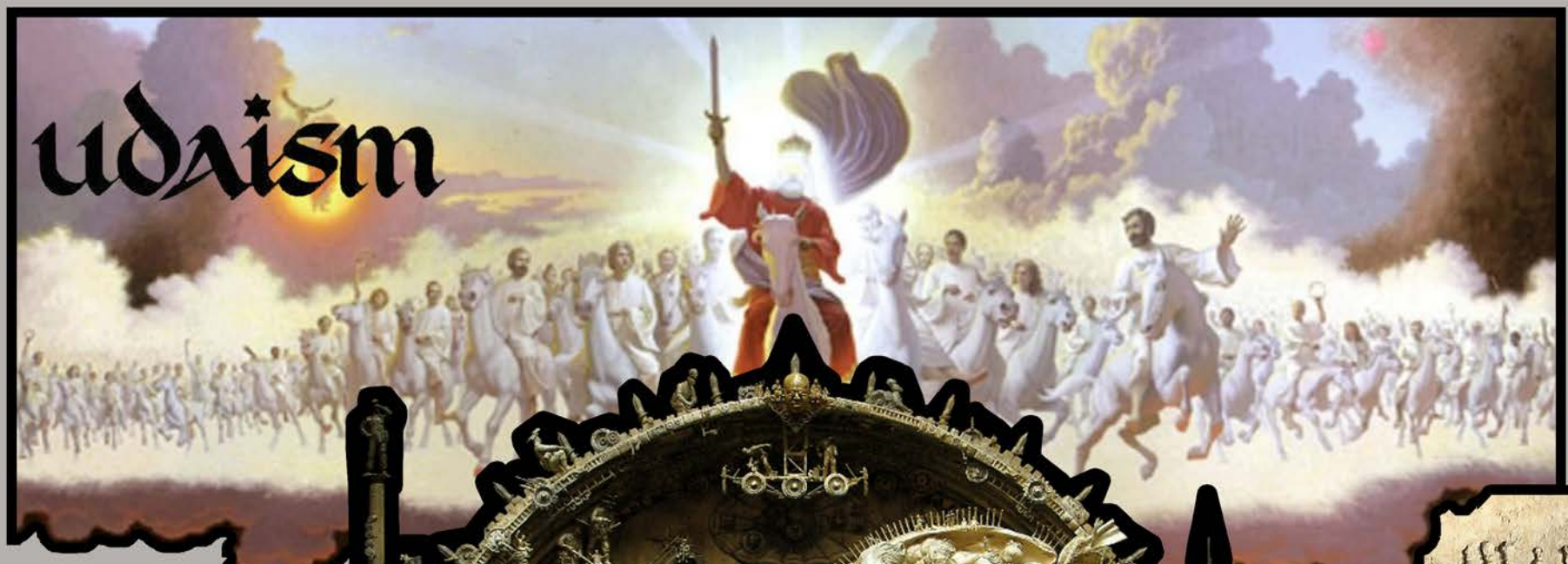
In Islam, the end of the world is referred to as the Hour and involves Jesus returning to Damascus to slay an anti-Christ who has put the planet in peril. With the anti-Christ out of the picture, a period of perfect harmony will ensue. Jesus will later die a natural death, which will usher in a time of destruction that leads directly to the Hour.

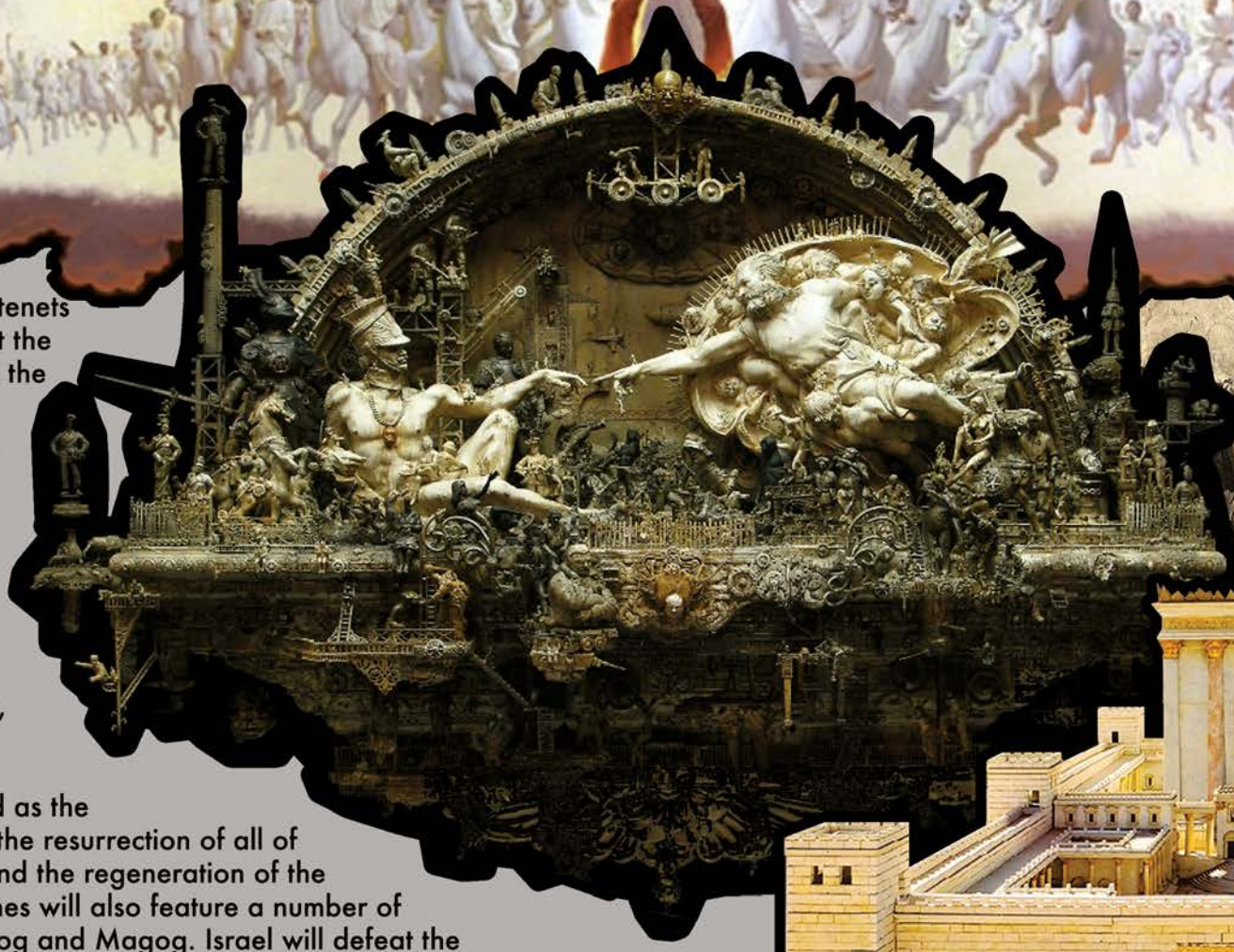
In Judaism, there is no term for Armageddon, but there are references in the Hebrew bible to events that could be compared with Armageddon, including the Day of the Lord (in which God causes death and destruction to people who deserve to be punished) and the War of Gog and Magog (in which Israel and its god fight their enemies, rather than an anti-Christ).



The end of the world accordint to the christian religion is believe to start at the end of the Great Tribulation, when all the nations are gathered to make war on Jerusalem, Jesus will come back with His bride. This is what is known as "the second coming of Jesus Christ" (Revelation 17:14). After the battle Satan will be bound in the bottomless pit for a thousand years. (Revelation 20:1-3). Now Christ along with the saints will reign for 1000 years. (Revelation 20:4) This is called the Millennium. The Millennium is the name given to the thousand years' kingdom of peace when Jesus will rule over the whole earth from Jerusalem. At the end of the Millennium Satan will be loosed from his chains for a short time, though it is unclear exactly how long this time is. He will then gather an army from all over the earth and they will surround Jerusalem again. God will then send fire down from heaven to devour them. The Final Judgment takes place at the end of the Millennium, after Satan's last rebellion. This judgment will be for all those who have not experienced God's judgment already.

Judaism





One of the most important tenets of the Jewish faith states that the messiah's coming will herald the end of the world. Followers believe that the Messiah will be a direct descendent of David and unite the Jewish people in Israel by rebuilding the Temple in Jerusalem. The Jewish faith teaches that all leaders of the world will acknowledge the dominion of this messiah, creating a new era of international peace. Jewish scripture refers to this period as the Messianic period. Later on, the resurrection of all of the deceased within Israel and the regeneration of the world will occur. The end times will also feature a number of battles such as the war of Gog and Magog. Israel will defeat the attackers, ushering in the Messianic period. After a period of great peace and joy in the world, God's final judgement will mark the end of the world. The Jewish faith teaches that nobody but God marks the end of the world, as he is the supreme authority.

1. The false messiah—anti-Christ, Masih ad-Dajjal—shall appear with great powers as a one-eyed man with his right eye blind and deformed like a grape. He will hold the keys to heaven and hell, however, his heaven is hell, and his hell is heaven.

2. The return of Isa, Jesus, to kill Dajjal.

3. Gog and Magog a Japhetic tribe of vicious beings who had been imprisoned by Dhul-Qarnayn, will break out. They will ravage the earth, drink all the water of Lake Tiberias, and kill all believers in their way.

4. A huge black cloud of smoke will cover the earth.

5. The Dabbat al-ard, or Beast of the Earth, will come out of the ground to talk to people.

6. The sun will rise from the west.

7. Three sinkings of the earth, one in the east, one in the west, and one in Arabia.

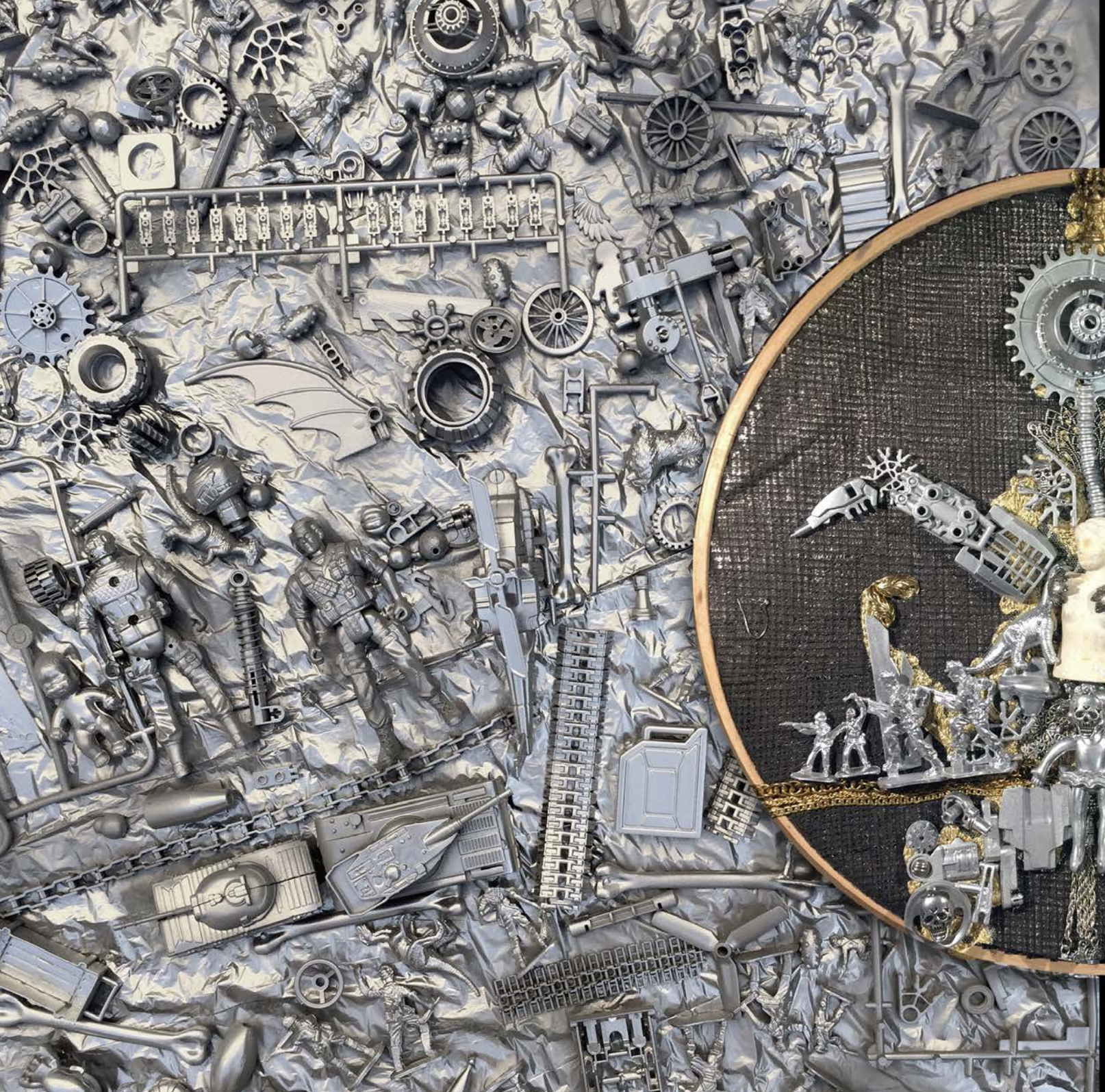
8. The second blow of the trumpet will be sounded, the dead will return to life, and, out of Yemen, will come a fire that shall gather all to Mahshar Al Qiy'amah, The Gathering for Judgment.

ISLAM

SOLAR SUPERSTORM

Over the past few years, scientists and futurists have become increasingly concerned about the possibility of super solar flares (SSF). An ordinary solar flare is a normal part of our star's sunspot-cycle, causing spikes of cosmic radiation. An SSF, however, is a massive solar flare.Solar storms are caused by violent eruptions called coronal holes – which appear on the surface of the sun.A star releases a blast of energy equivalent to 475 billion nuclear bombs in just a few hours or seconds, Scott Fleming, astronomer and archive scientist at the Mikulski Archive for Space Telescopes (MAST), told Futurism. Their energy is released in the form of X-rays, gamma rays, radio waves, visible light, and ultraviolet radiation. These explosions send deadly solar particles hurtling towards Earth.They found that the most extreme superflares are likely to occur on a star like our sun about every 20 million years."The largest storms that result from these conditions are associated with solar coronal mass ejections where a billion tons or so of plasma from the sun, with its embedded magnetic field, arrives at Earth. If an SSF were to occur, the first thing to go would be the electrical infrastructure. That means cell phones, computers, automobiles, artificial lights, technologies upon which our society is now totally dependent – will cease to function, potentially throwing global civilisation into a tailspin...and, quite literally, a new dark age. A major geomagnetic storm in the 19th century, the so-called 1859 Carrington Super-flare, was powerful enough to set telegraph equipment of fire. Another great solar storm in 1989 left millions of people without power after it wiped out the Hydro-Quebec power grid in Canada. A SSF could affect the environment, too. It could ravage what's left of the ozone layer, which would cause widespread damage to ecosystems and trigger mass extinction

EMBROIDERY TECNIQUE



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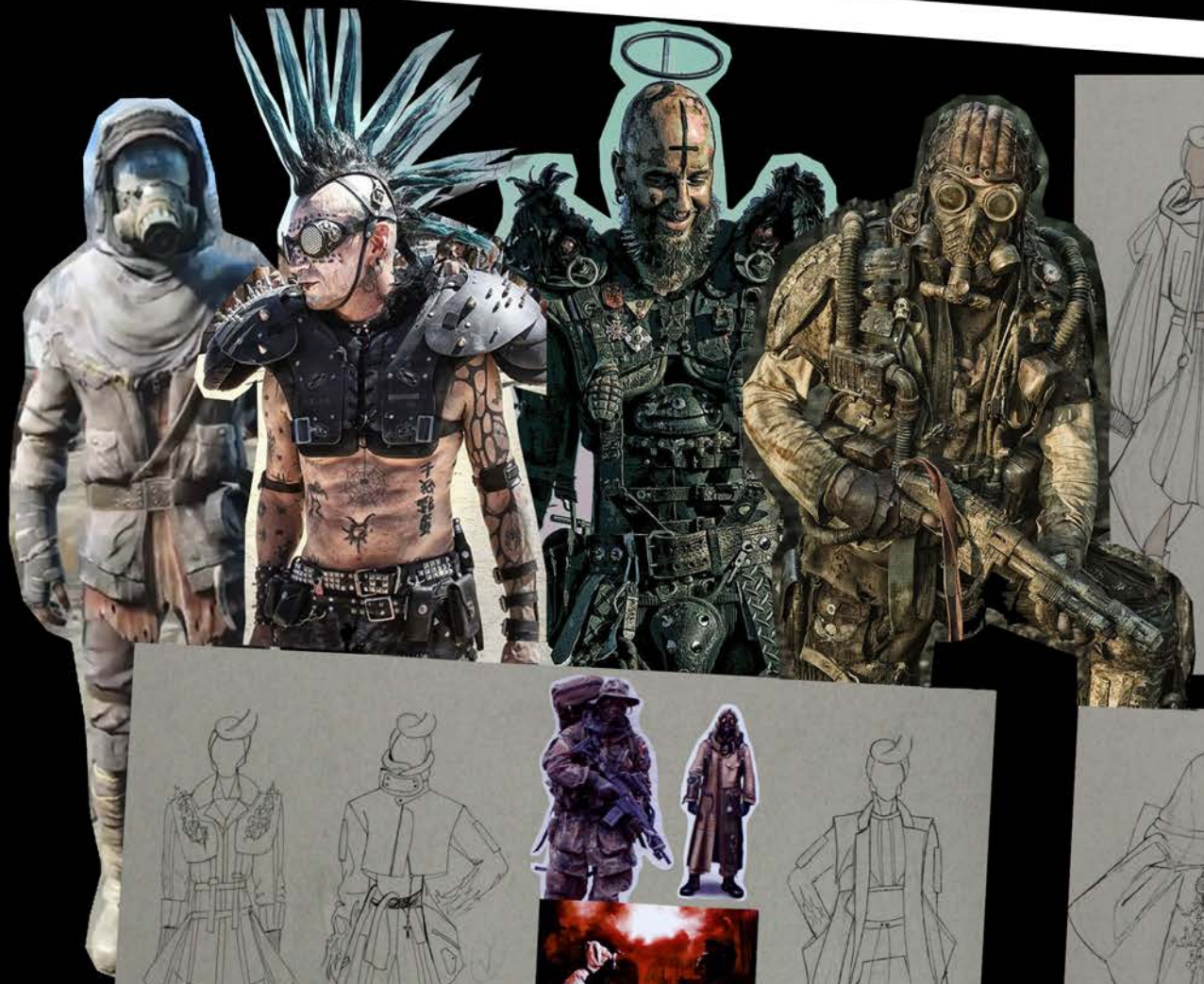

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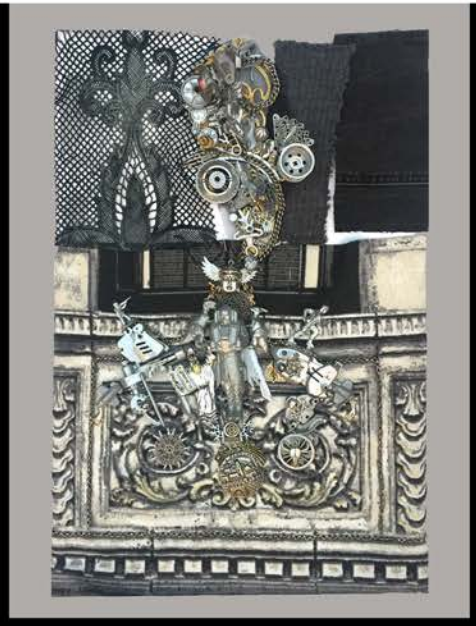
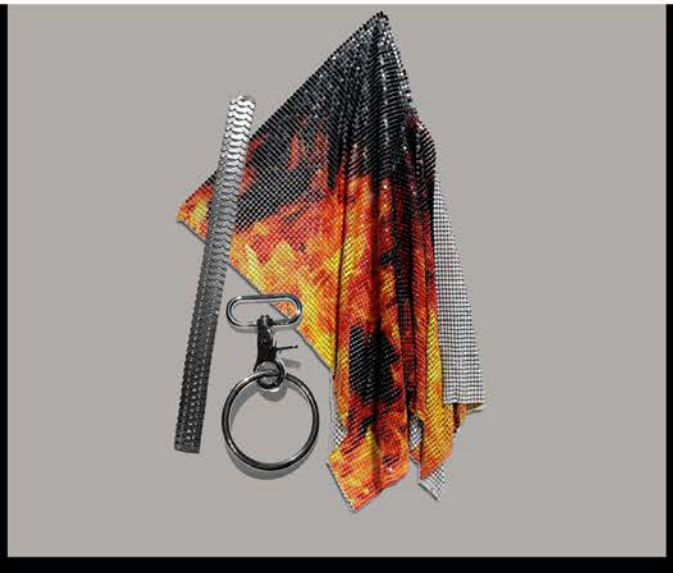




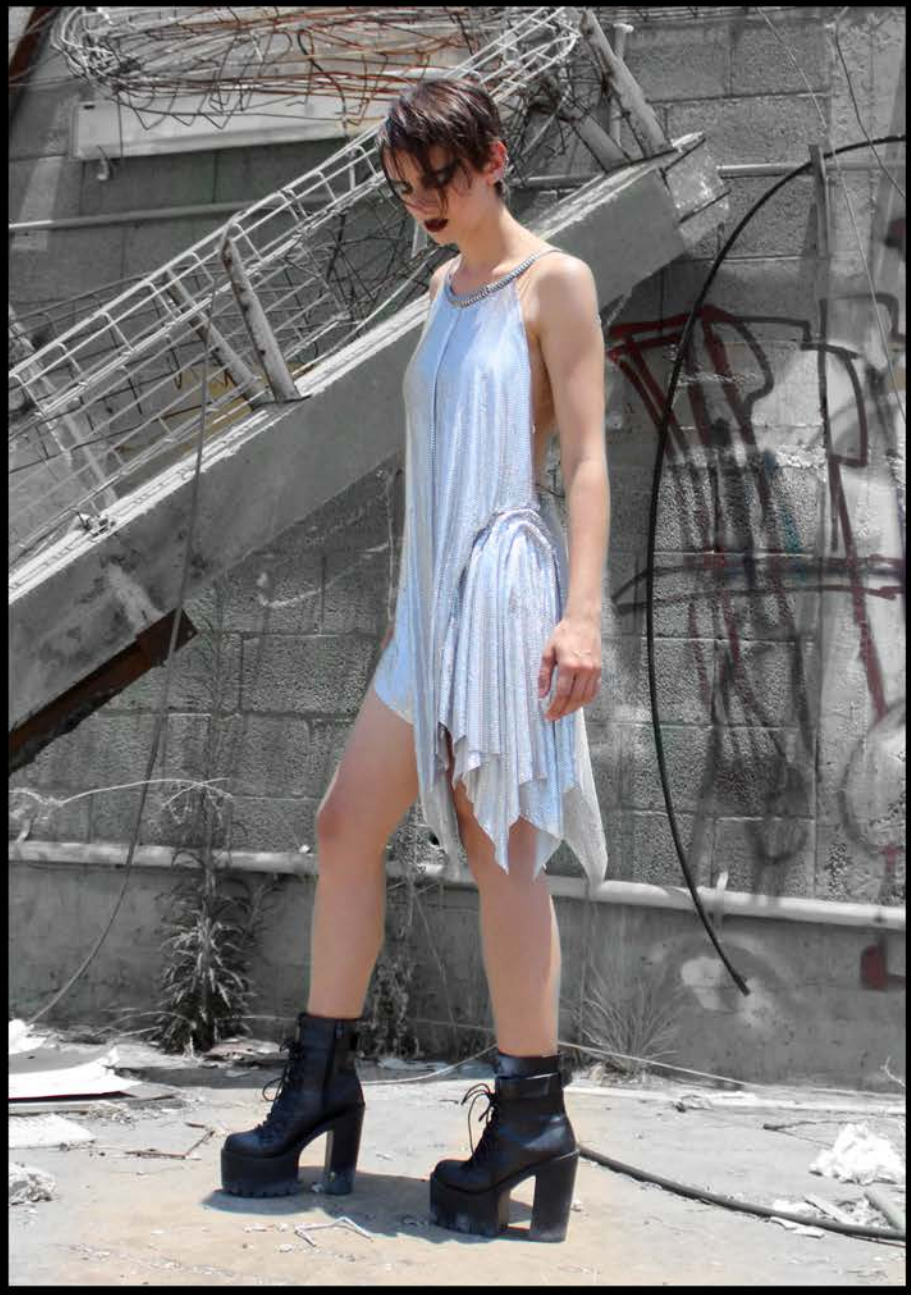
ILLUSTRATED COLLECTION

THE APOCALYPSE

The embroidery in my collection consists of collected items from flea markets, antique stores, Jerusalem's ancient market, and more. After painting the objects, I embroidered them in Baroque compositions, in order to portray scenes from the end of the world.

THE JUDGEMENT

When you look closely, you can see scenes from the Christianity Judgment and the Gog and Magog, alongside other religious symbols such as the Star of David, the Pope, Cherubs, and the Messiah.



RAGNAROK

The Ragnarok jacket also reflects the sun, or science's belief of what may lead to the end of the world. For this garment, I used digital printing on a special type of leather consisting of tinfoil. The crippled look gives the illusion that fire is eating up the jacket.

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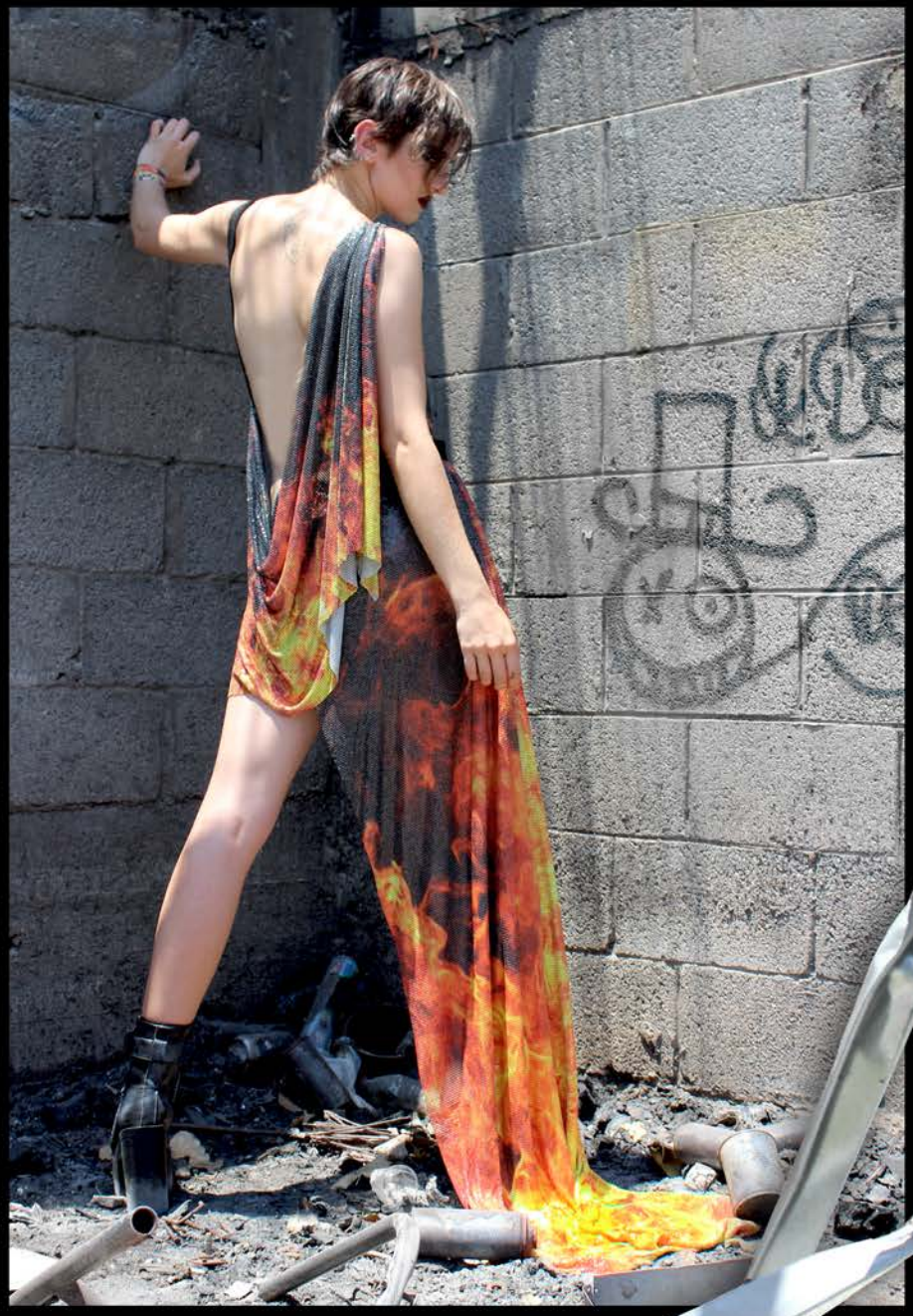
THE ARMAGEDDON

The golden version of my embroidery features radical objects such as an air conditioning pipe in order to give the feeling of a bionic future. The reason being that the end of humanity is estimated to happen in thousands of years from now.

MAITREYA

The Maitreya dress is inspired by ancient Greek sculptures. To create this garment, I digitally printed an image of fire on metal mesh fabric. This was done in order to embody the end of humanity caused by the sun (as predicted by science).



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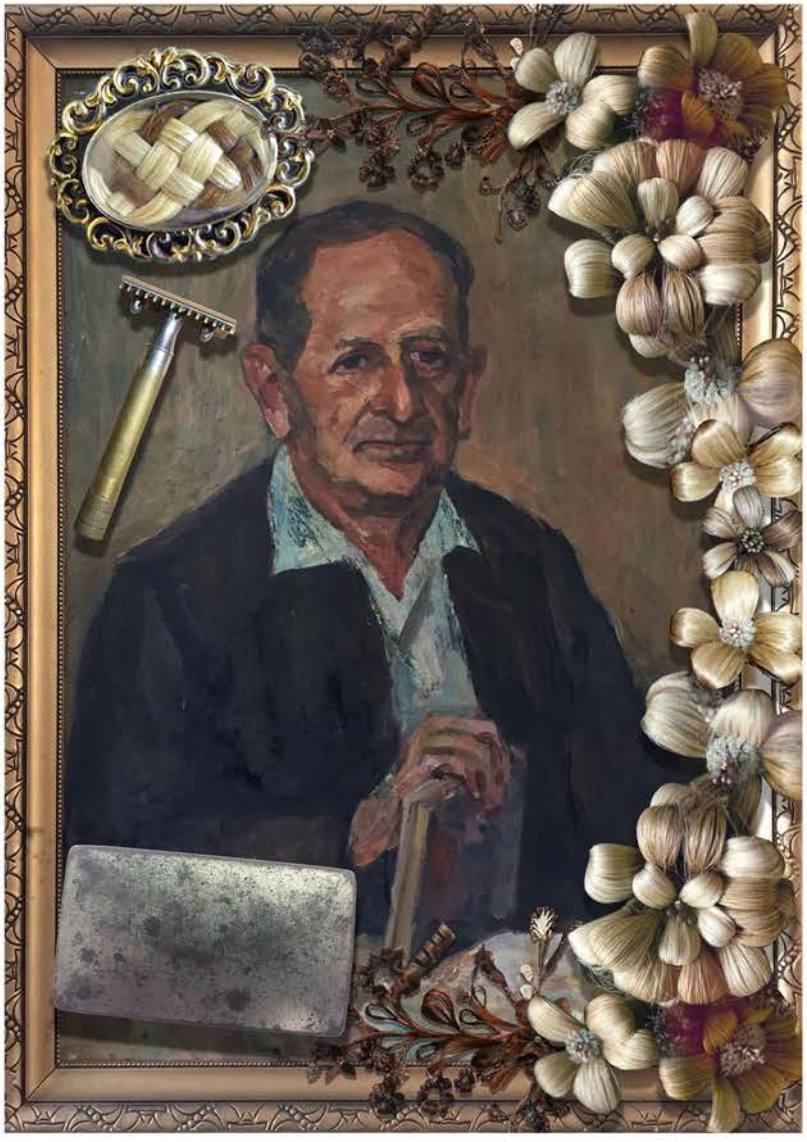

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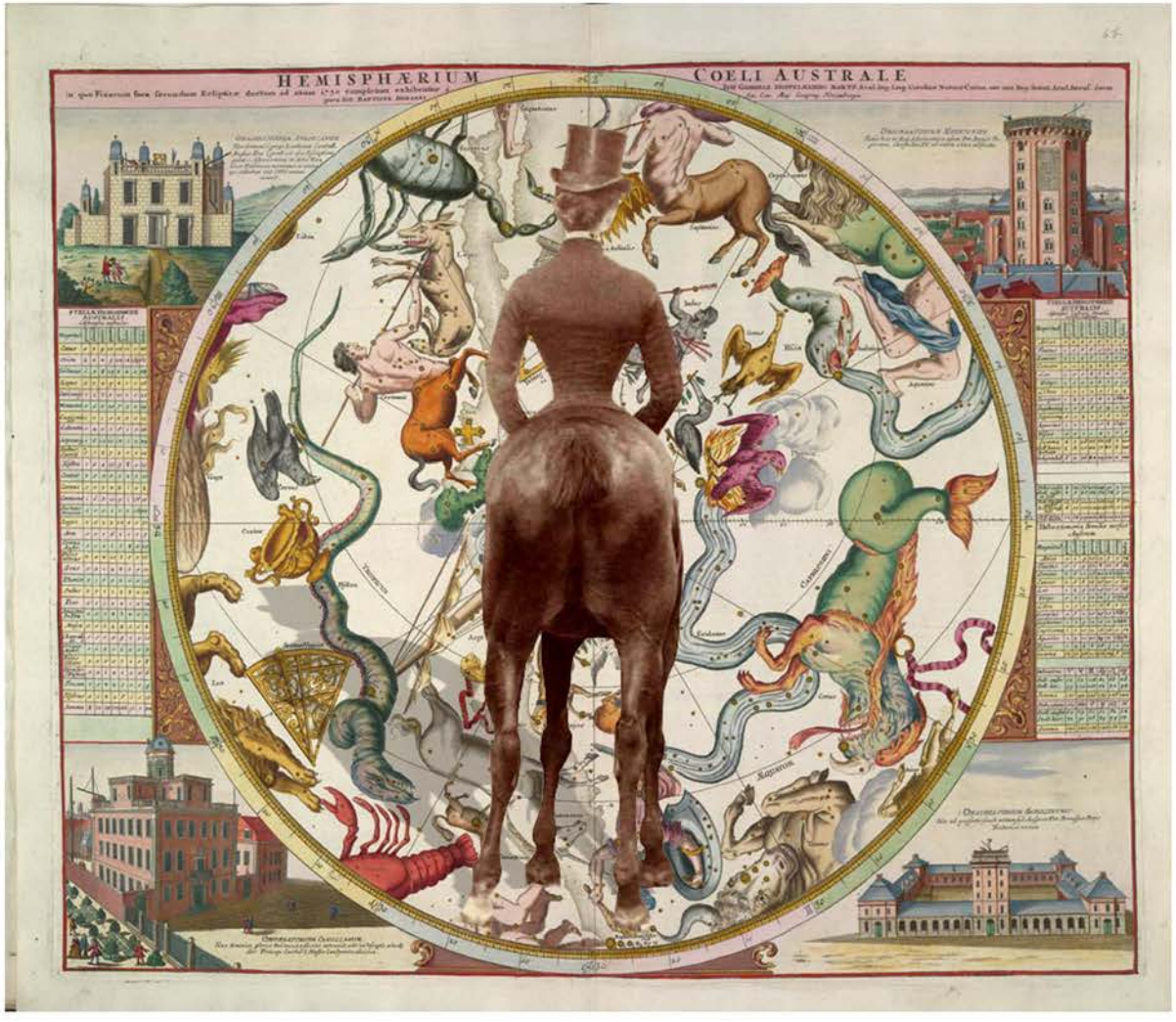

THE HORSE WOMAN

My designs are a reflection of the way I think and the way I view the world. I see fashion as a form of self expression which has the power to influence others.

I recently acuired my B.A. in fashion design from Shenkar College of Design. There I mastered skills such as developing a concept, translating visual inspiration into textile developments, embroidery, sketching, technical drawing and sewing.

I have found that my specialty lies in creatng rich new textiles and embroideries done by sisyphean work. In 2017, I came first place at the Hand & Lock competition in London for the embroidery of a wedding dress I designed and created. Later I continued developing this specialty via my graduation collection featured in this catalogue.

My designs and textiles tell a story, I stive to be innovating by experimenting with new materials while taking inspiration from the rich history of fashion.

My dream is to share my visions with the world and take part in the creation of the fashion of the future. I am a driven hard worker, prepared to take on any challenge put forth.

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