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4. Using the items outlined above in 3, explore on 5 different scales ranging from the macro to the micro, the revealing and concealing of your individual letter / number combination.

5 SCALES_ Is the range of scales from macro to micro in the concealment and revealing of letters and numbers explored in a distinctive and significant way?

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Etymology: *sublimis*. Latin, meaning lofty, derived from the preposition *sub*, meaning "up to."

Morley S, 2010, *The Sublime*, Whitechapel Gallery Ventures Limited, London

The anonymous Roman-era author known as Longinus declared that true nobility in art and life was to be discovered through a confrontation with the threatening and unknown, and drew attention to anything in art that challenges our capacity to understand and fills us with wonder.

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MID EIGHTEENTH CENTURY SHIFT:

The passion caused by the great and the sublime in nature, when those causes operate most powerfully is Astonishment, and astonishment is that state of the soul in which all its motions are suspended, with some degree of horror... No passion so effectively robs the mind of all its powers of acting and reasoning as fear. For fear, being an apprehension of pain or death, operates in a manner that resembles actual pain. Whatever therefore is terrible, with regard to sight, is sublime too... Indeed terror is in all cases whatsoever, either more openly or latently, the ruling principle of the sublime.

Edmund Burke, A philosophical Enquiry into the Origins of Our Ideas of the Sublime and Beautiful (1757)

MID EIGHTEENTH CENTURY SHIFT:

Thomas Burke on Niagara Falls:

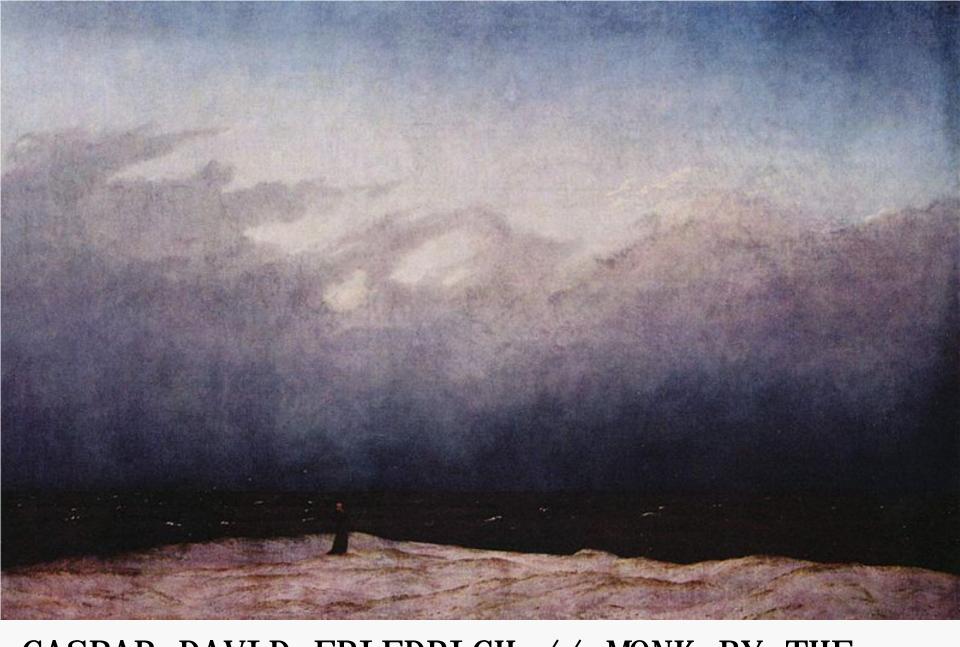
I felt as if approaching the very residence of the Deity; the tears started into my eyes; I remained, for moments after we had lost sight of the scene, in that delicious absorption which pious enthusiasm alone can produce. We arrived at the New Ladder and descended to the bottom,. Here all its awful sublimities rushed full upon me... My whole heart and soul ascended towards the Divinity in a swell of devout admiration, which I never before experienced. Oh! Bring the atheist here, and he cannot return an atheist! I pity the man who can coldly sit down to write a description if these ineffable wonders,: much more do I pity him who can submit them to the admeasurement of gallons and yards... We must have new combinations of language to describe the fall of Niagara.

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JAMES WARD'S GORDALE SCAR // 332 x 421 cm





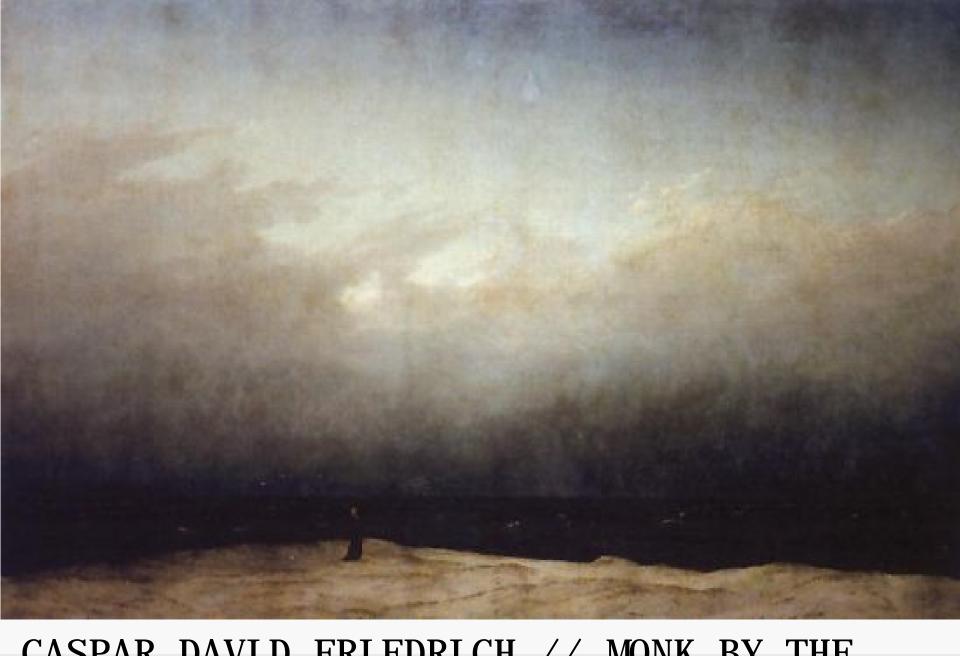
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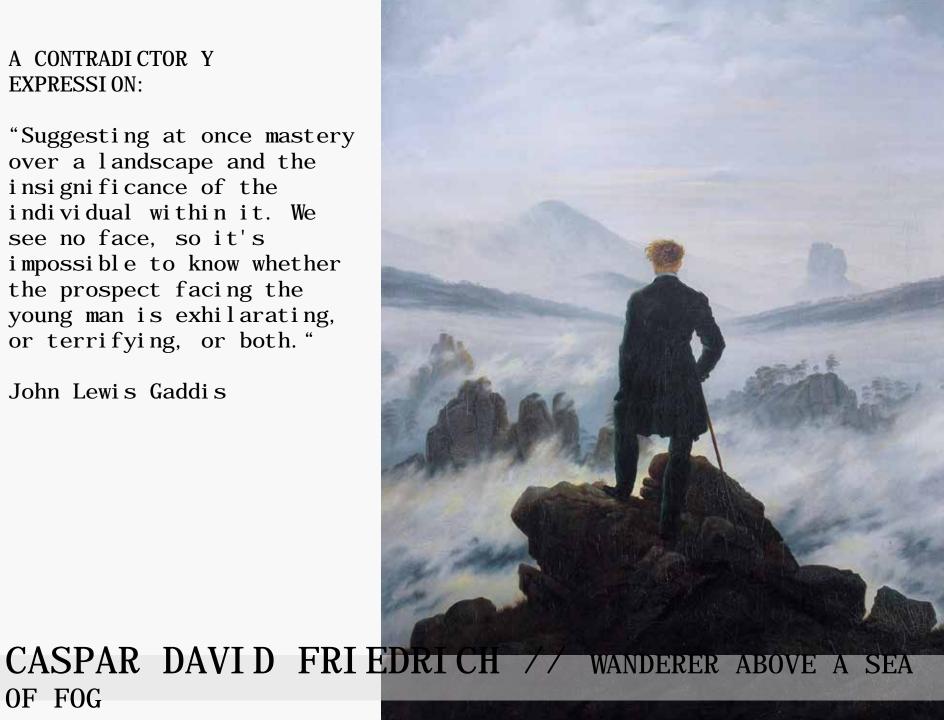


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A CONTRADICTOR Y **EXPRESSION:**

"Suggesting at once mastery over a landscape and the insignificance of the individual within it. We see no face, so it's impossible to know whether the prospect facing the young man is exhilarating, or terrifying, or both. "

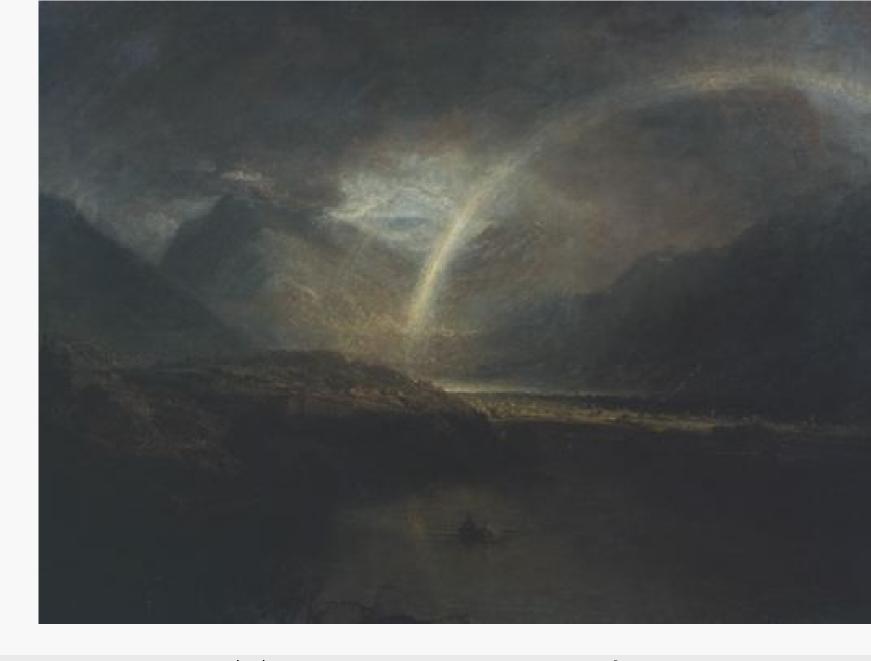
John Lewis Gaddis



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JMW TURNER // EVENING STAR



JMW TURNER // BUTTERMERE LAKE



TURNER // FISHERMEN AT SEA



JMW TURNER // SNOWSTORM, AVALANCHE, AND I NUNDATION

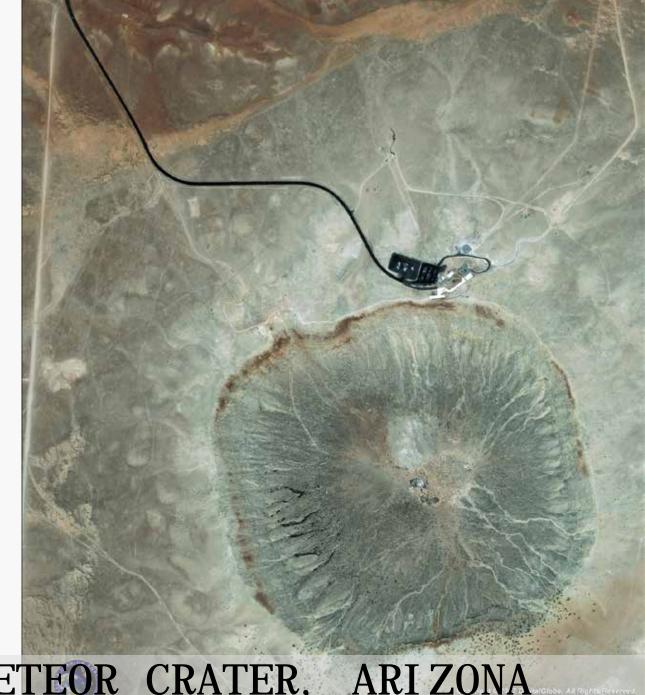
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GREAT BLUE HOLE, BELIZE



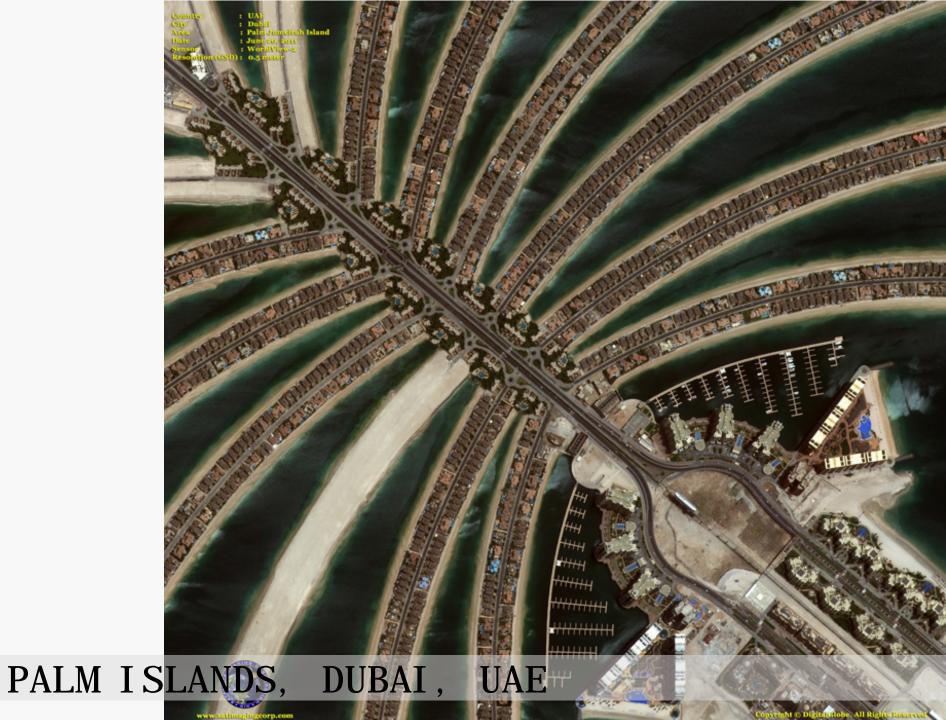
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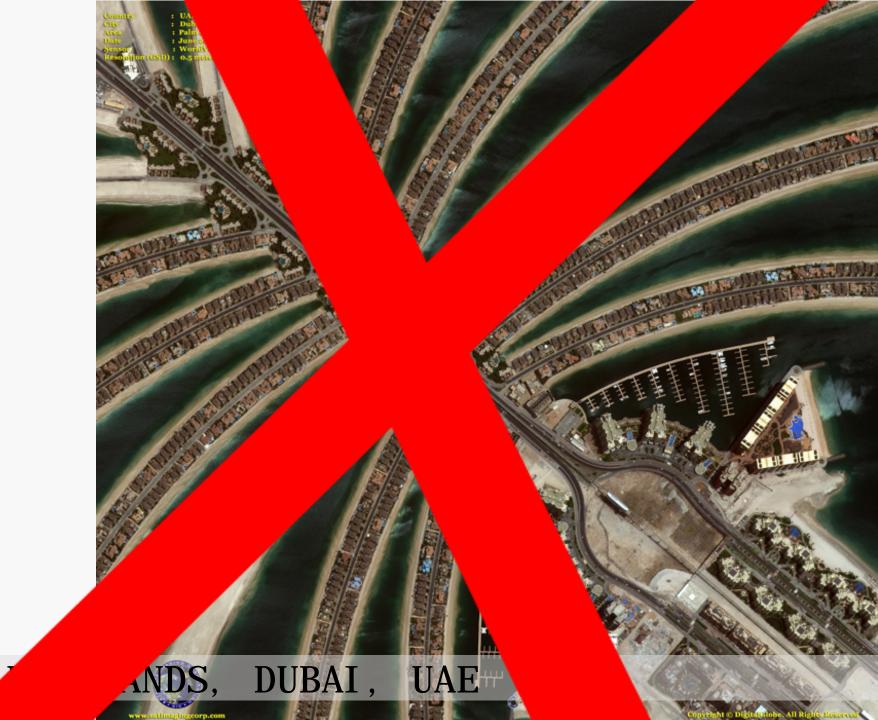
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PALM I SLANDS, DUBAI, UAE

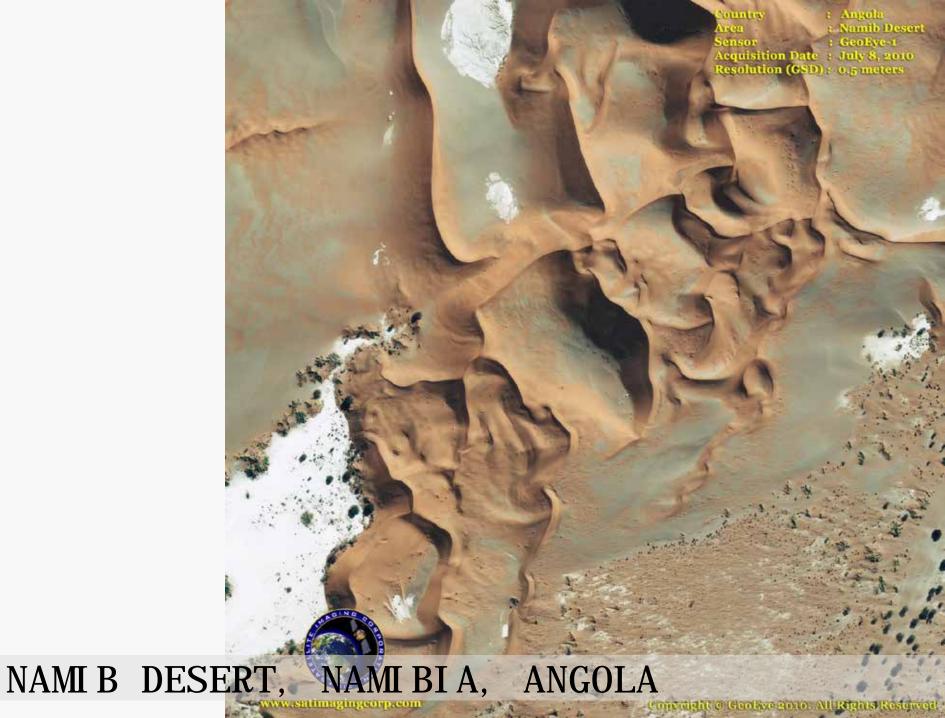


PAJ ANDS, DUBAI, UAE

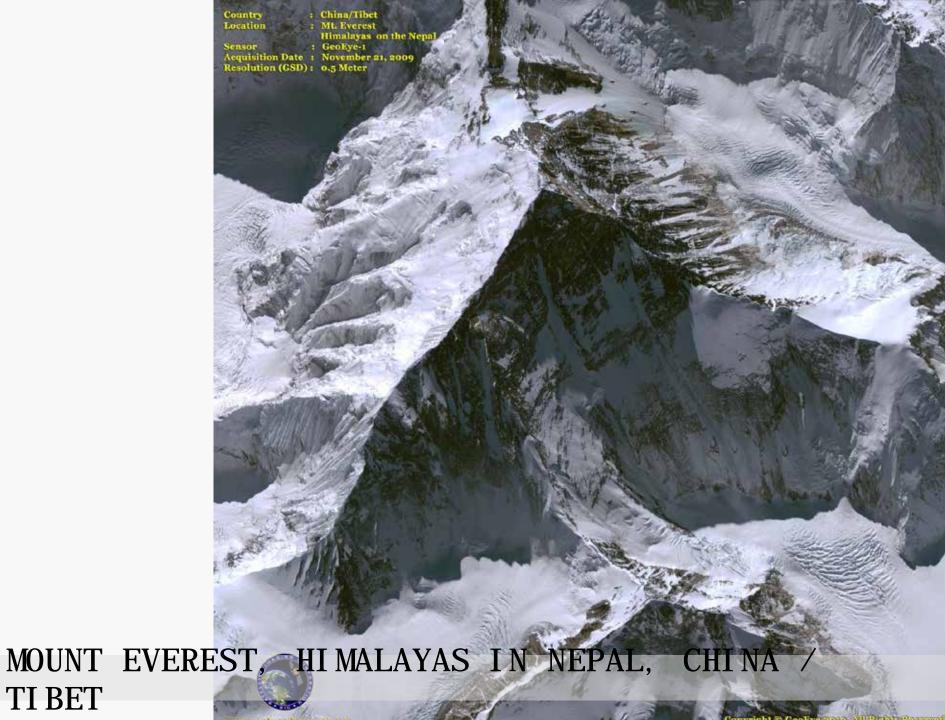


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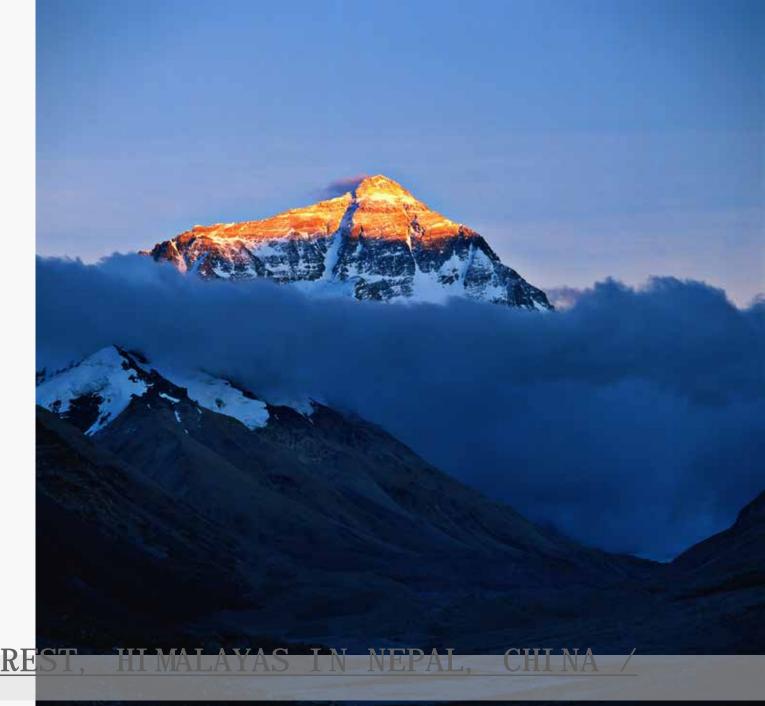








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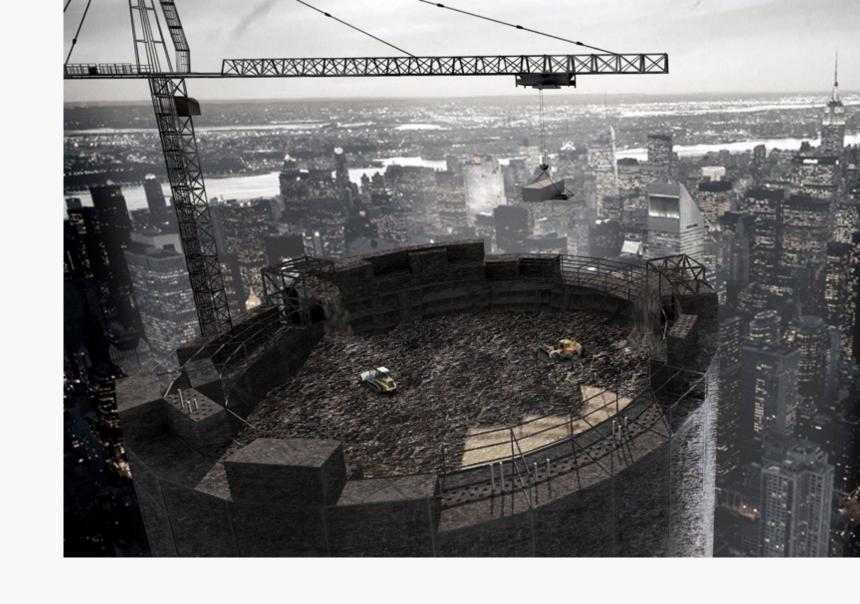
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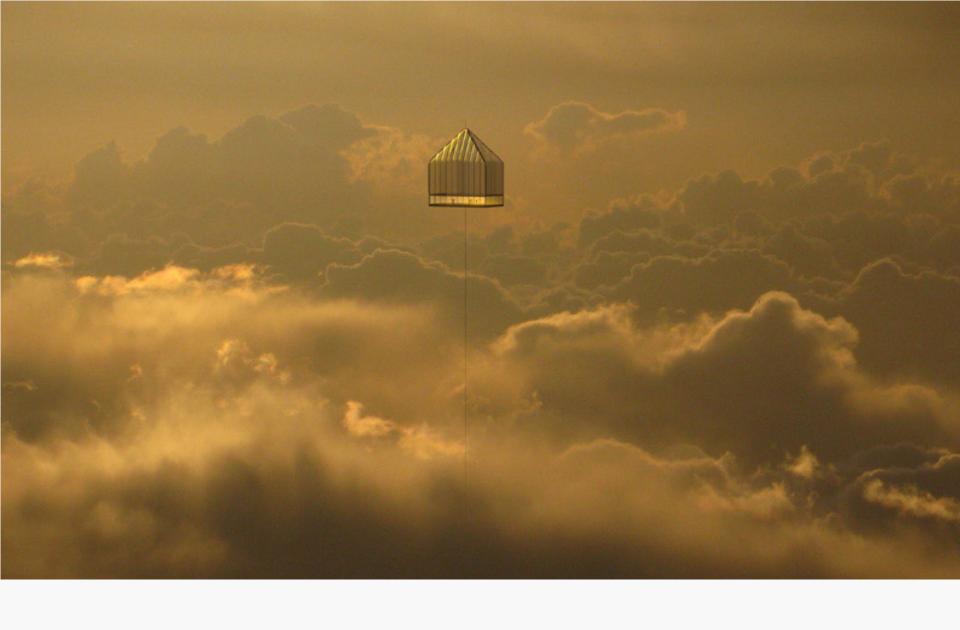
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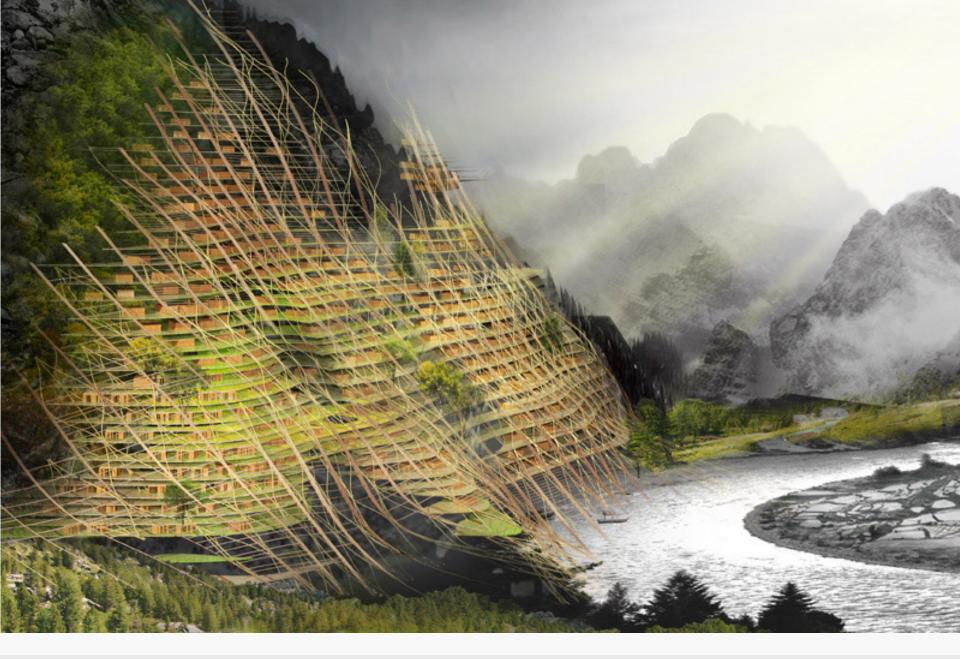
WITH THE COMPUTER, AND BROUGHT TOGETHER IN THE TELEMATIC EMBRACE, WE CAN HOPE TO GLIMPSE THE UNSEEABLE, TO GRASP THE INEFFABLE CHAOS OF BECOMING, THE SECRET ORDER OF DISORDER. AND AS WE COME TO SEE MORE, WE SHALL SEE THE COMPUTER LESS AND LESS. IT WILL BECOME INVISIBLE IN ITS IMMANENCE

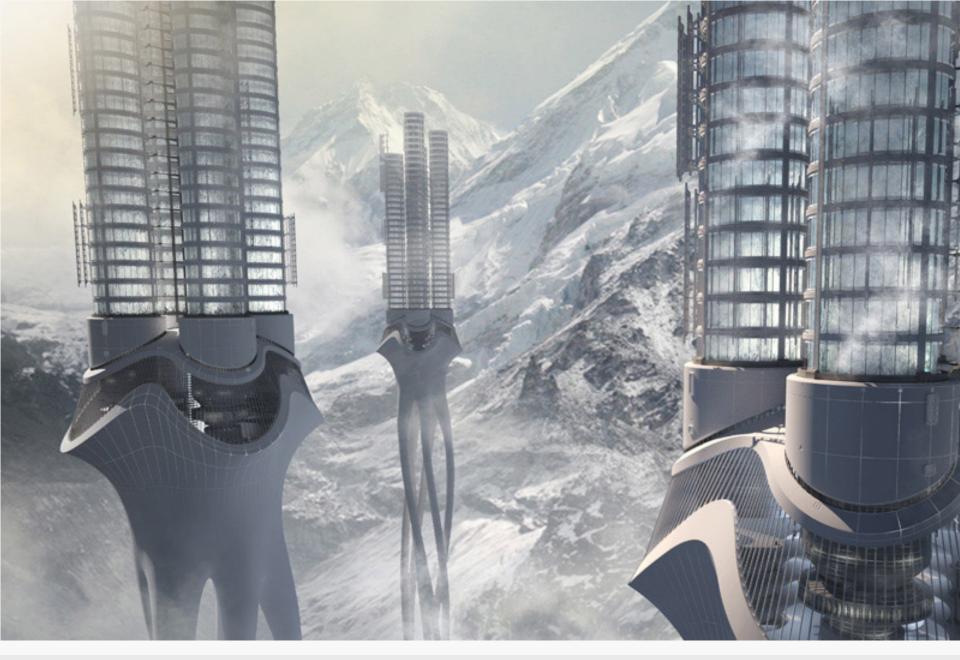












EVOLO SKYSCRAPER COMPETITION









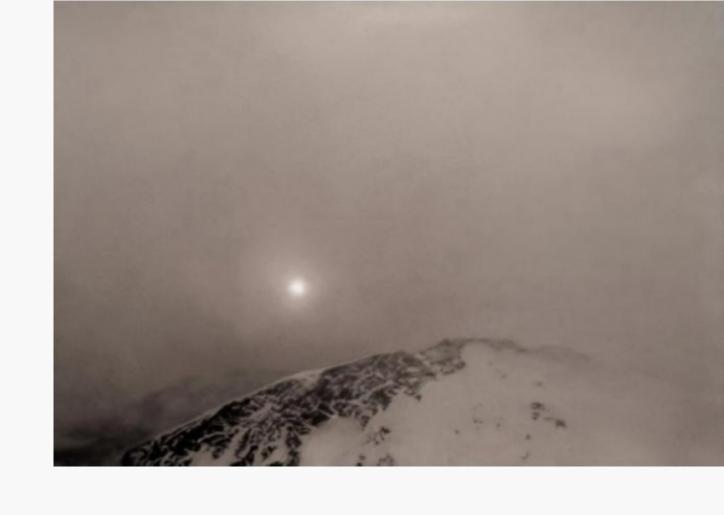


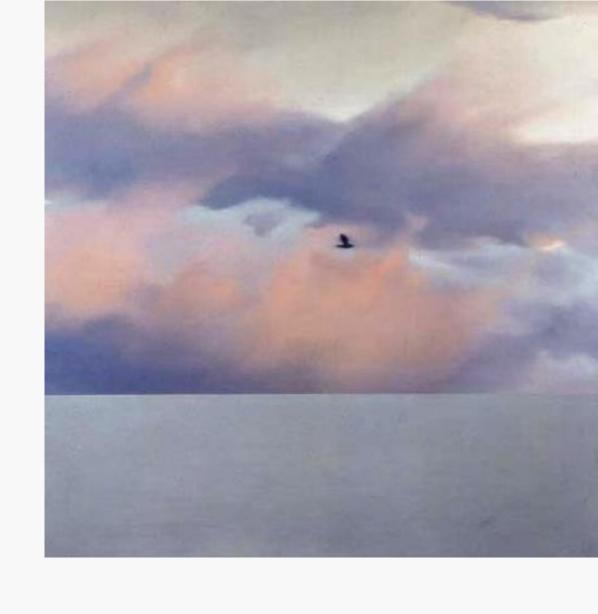










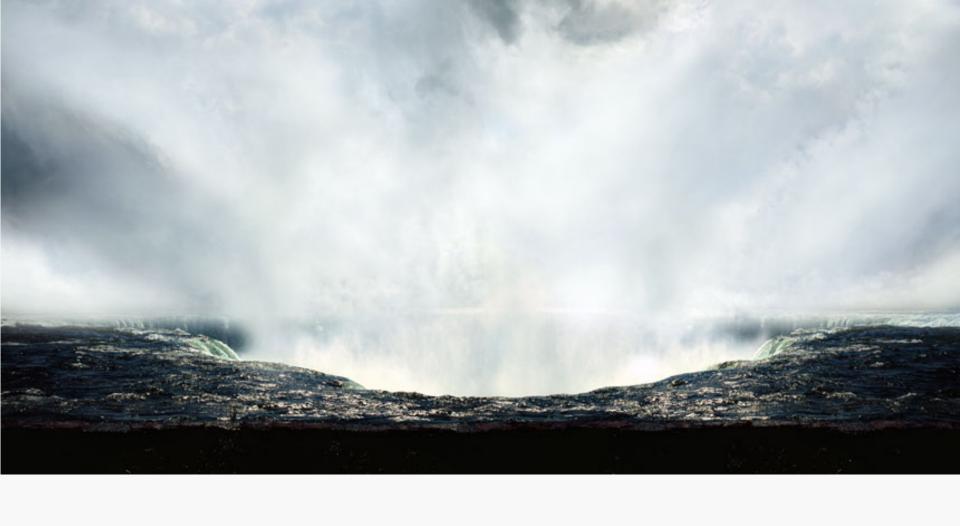
















POETIC APOCALYPSE

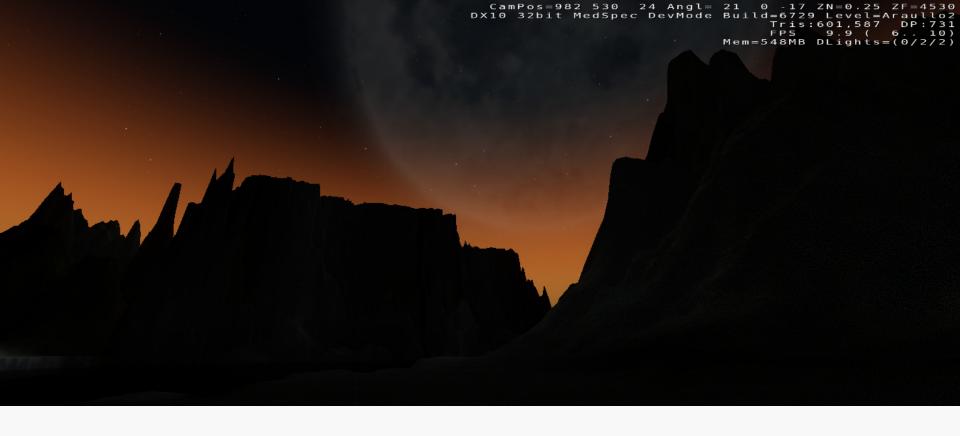






TO IMMERSE IN ITS SENSUALITY...







REBEKAH ARAULLO

.. is 'to see a world in a grain of sand...'. Blake



REBEKAH ARAULLO

...and a heaven in a wild flower 'Blake



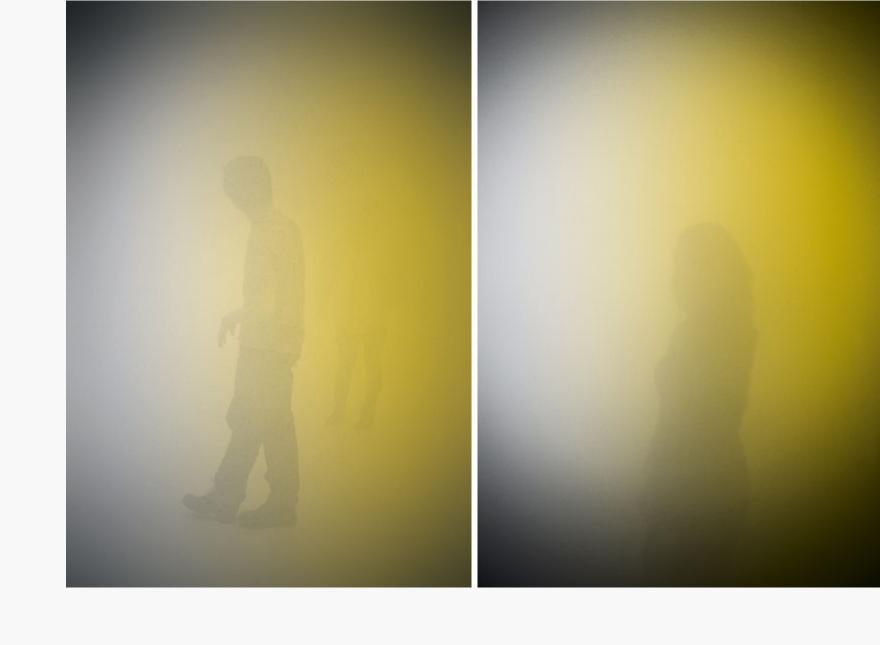
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While we may no longer believe in eternal essences or values, we still often sense that our lives are fashioned by forces beyond our control, which underpin and drive acts of thinking or representation. For those who assert that our lives cannot be accounted for within a paradigm that states that we exist within a life-world produced wholly from cultural signs and systems, the sublime defines the moment when thought comes to an end and we encounter that which is 'other'.

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Not surprisingly, discussions of the sublime in contemporary art can be covert or camouflaged ways of talking about experiences that were once addressed by religious discourses and that remain pertinent within an otherwise religiously sceptical and secularized contemporary world. But the contemporary artists and thinkers largely reject traditional conceptions of a self or soul or spirit that moves upwards towards some ineffable and essential thing or power. Instead, they tend to follow downward or deflationary curves, and the contemporary sublime is mostly about *immanent* transcendence, about the transformative experience that is understood within the here and now.

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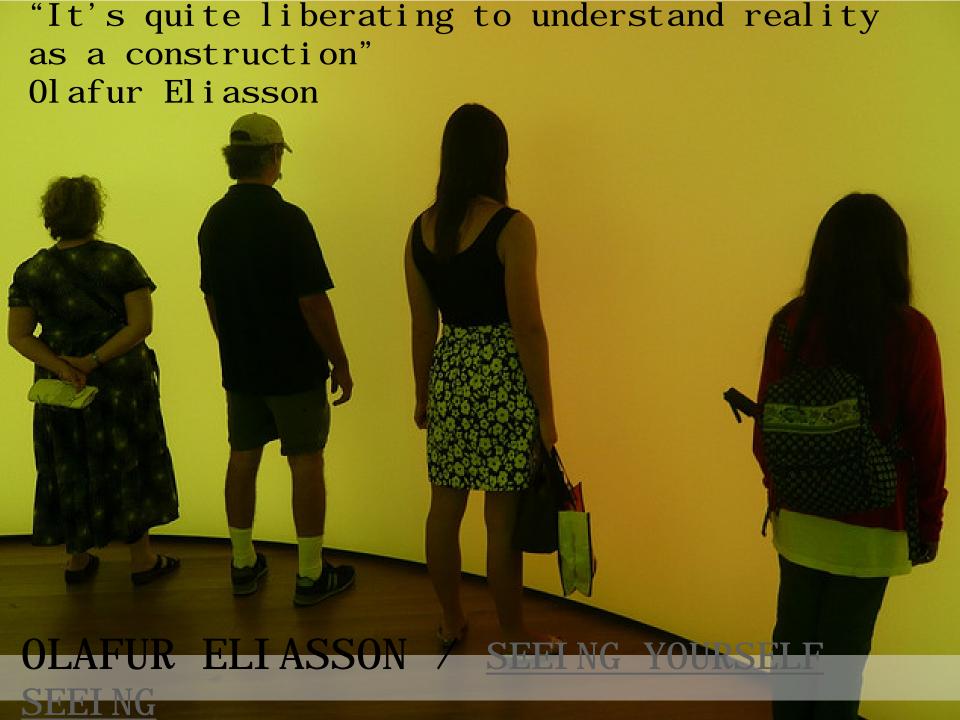




OLAFUR ELIASSON / THE PROJECT







Anish Kapoor's installations elicit metaphysical significance, the sense of another dimension, as well as alluding to tactility and engagement with the materials of which his installations are composed.

ANI SH KAPOOR



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ANISH KAPOOR // SKY MIRROR





ANISH KAPOOR // MEMORY



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