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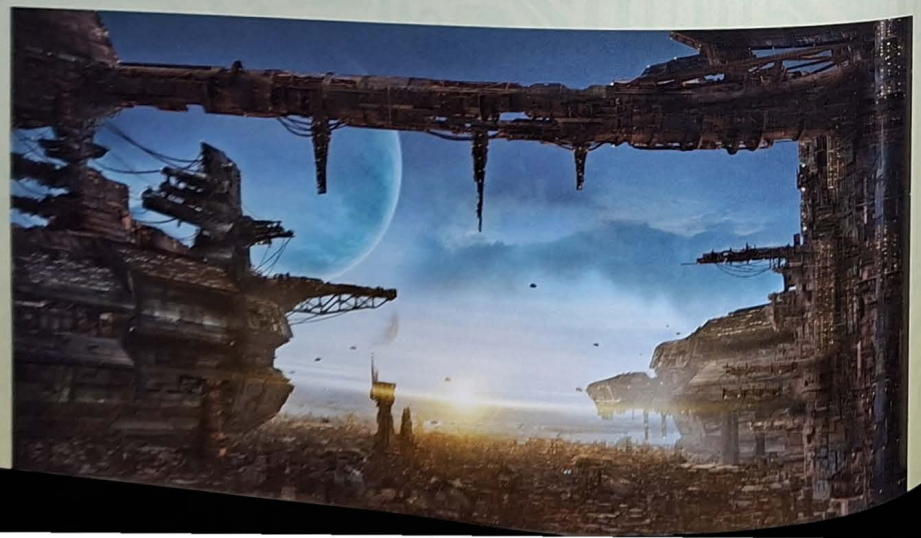


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Dystopian themes allow artists the ability to look into the future and propose possible negative outcomes. Analyze current social, environmental, and political systems and consider how they could evolve. This proposed evolution offers the artist a tool to both critique today's world and invent a new one.

▲ **"City by the Bay" by Robh Ruppel**
These worlds need not be devoid of beauty. Polluted skies and heavy light pollution offer a broad range of vibrant colors—pairing these hues with interesting architectural silhouettes makes for a beautiful piece of artwork.

▼ **"Dystopia" by Elreviae**
The sun rises on this overdeveloped metropolis. Enormous industrial architecture towers over the landscape, dwarfing the dense and congested cityscape below.

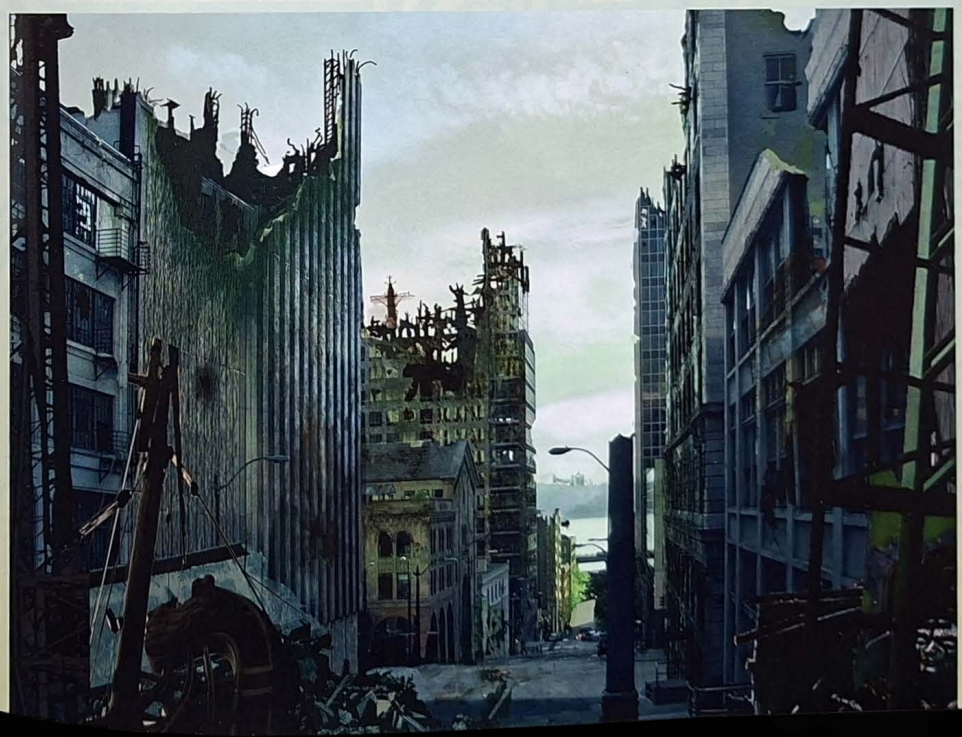




◀ **"Way to Glory" by Stephen Hickman**
Militarized space exploration and conquest are a recurring dystopian theme. These stories offer insight into the possibility of humanity's aggressive tendencies expanding off-world and wreaking havoc in the cosmos.

Geoff Taylor's dystopian future is a vision of our existing society gone wrong. The aggressive tendencies of our world have become amplified by scientific progress. The cities are overdeveloped and plagued by conflict between organized crime factions and a militant police force. The natural world is scarcely visible. The following pages feature examples of Geoff's interpretation of this world. ▷

▼ **"Destroyed City" by Carlos Long**
War-torn cities and worn-out slums tell the story of a collapsed society. These environments offer a great setting for a variety of sci-fi storytelling.



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