## ARCHITECTURE CORE STUDIO II THE PROTO-CEMETERY A MACHINE OF DEATH AND LIFE

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<Cryopreservation & Space Burials>

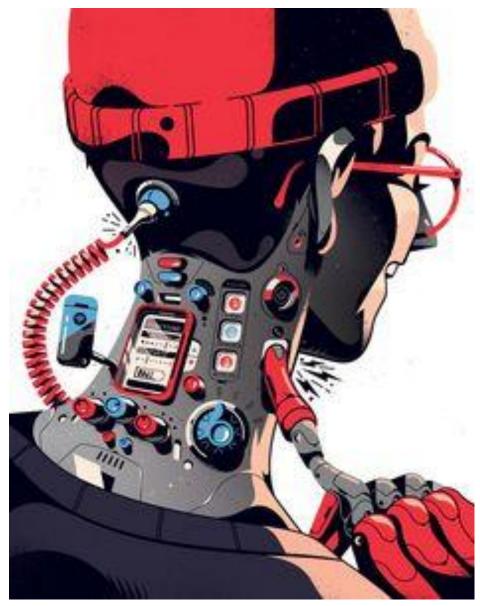






<Green burials & Organ Reclamation>









<Memory Archive & Preservation via other Media>





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<Simulating loved ones & implantation of consciousness>

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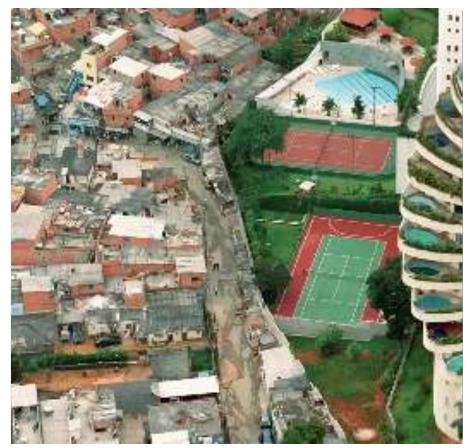


- Climate change, temperature rise, lack of freshwater (drying of lakes, melting of glaciers, pollution of groundwater)
- Extreme weather
- Inundation of cities from rising sea level
- human accelerated natural disasters, earthquakes, volcanos, typhon, and tornado
- Cities abandoned, population displaced





#### <Future where current problems are not solved>



- Social Issues Exacerbated
- Limited space dedicated for cemeteries
- Socio-economic divide for after death care
- Places to pay respect to the dead are more vertical due to space constraints





#### <Effect on society and death>



- Clean energy
- Sustainable lifestyle
- Green and lush urban landscapes
- Technologically advanced
- One unified religion



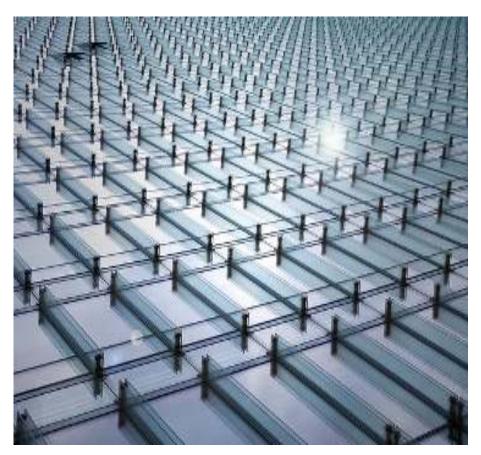


#### <Future with green urban environment>



- Cryonics
- Recompose
- Idealized way of laying the dead to rest, respects the dead and the environment





#### <Effects of encompassing a future with green urban environment>

# Cultural Research: Rituals, myths and folkloric tales related to "passage"

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#### Day of the dead

- Day when gates of heaven open allowing spirits of deceased to return to reunite with their families
- Mood of celebration, joy expressed through parade, singing and dancing
- Families prepare ofrendas with food their loved ones enjoyed



## **Aboriginal Mortuary Rituals**

- Driving the spirit onward to it's next life is crucial
- Smoking in his house
- Feast and celebrate with singing and dancing
- Taboo to speak the deceased's name



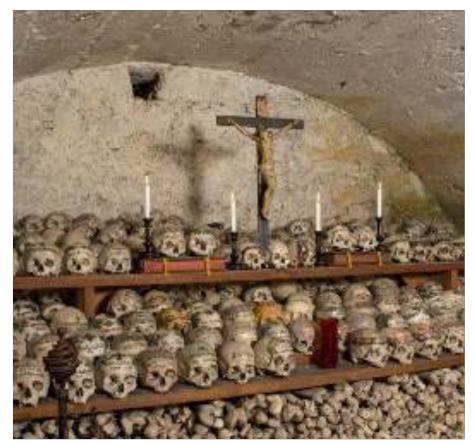
#### Toraja Ma'nene Ritual

- Every 1, 2 or 3 years, to honour the dead
- Bodies are dried, cleaned and redressed in new clothes and take pictures with the body
- Relatives parade the bodies around the village
- After their graves are cleaned, return to the original burial site



#### Hanging Coffins in Sagada

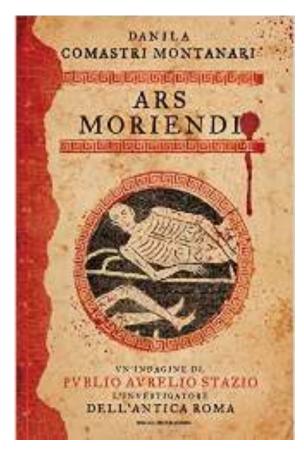
- Tied or nailed to sides of cliffs
- In a foetal position, wrapped in blankets and carried to the cliff site
- Mourners take turn to carry the corpse to be smeared with their blood and fluids
- Young men climb up cliff and place corpse inside hollowed out lumber coffin
- They are hung following the curvature of the cliff to enable the fluid runoff from the coffins to become natural fertilisers



#### House of Bones (Australia)

- Houses 610 painted skulls (from a 12th century graveyard that was cleared)
- Due to a lack of graveyard space, the skulls are painted in the memory of the person
- As the collection of the skull grow, the church began to put the skulls on display, creating walkable rooms to emphasis the religious teaching, creating a *memento mori* (the remainder of inevitable death)





#### <Grieving - Mass gathering - Large scale>



## **Tibetan Buddhist Sky Burial**

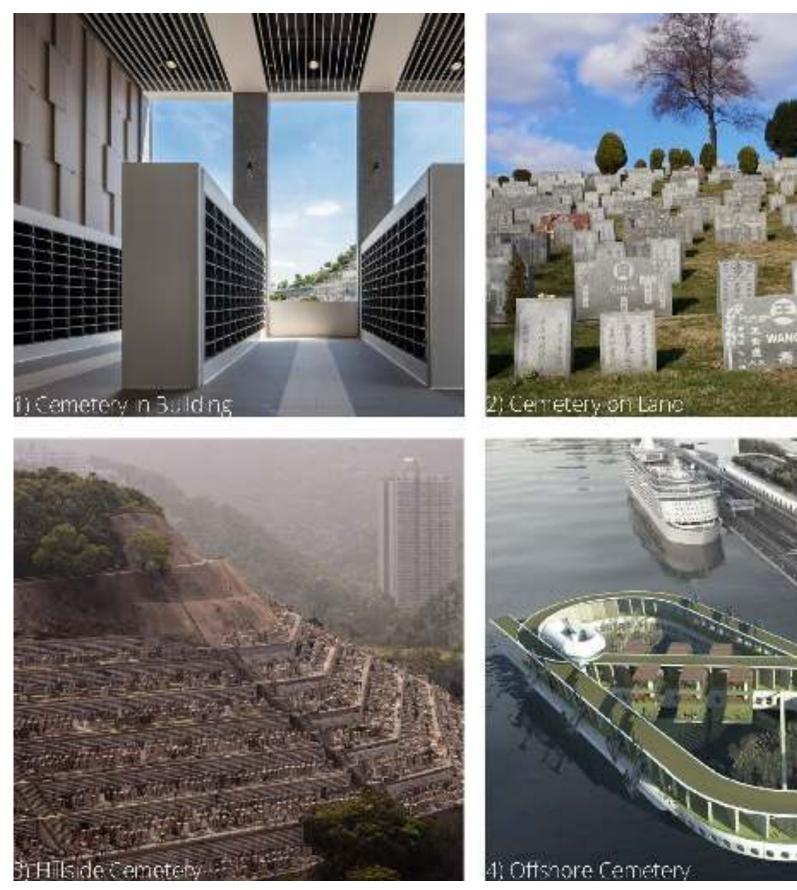
- Corpse is placed to be eaten by vultures
- Body is now an empty vessel
- Act of generosity
- Tibetan Buddhists encouraged to watch the ceremony



## Korean Death Beads

- Deceased's ashes made into beads
- Gained popularity after the 2000s
- South Korean implemented a 60-year time limit for graves
- Lack of space
- Held in ornamental containers and plates

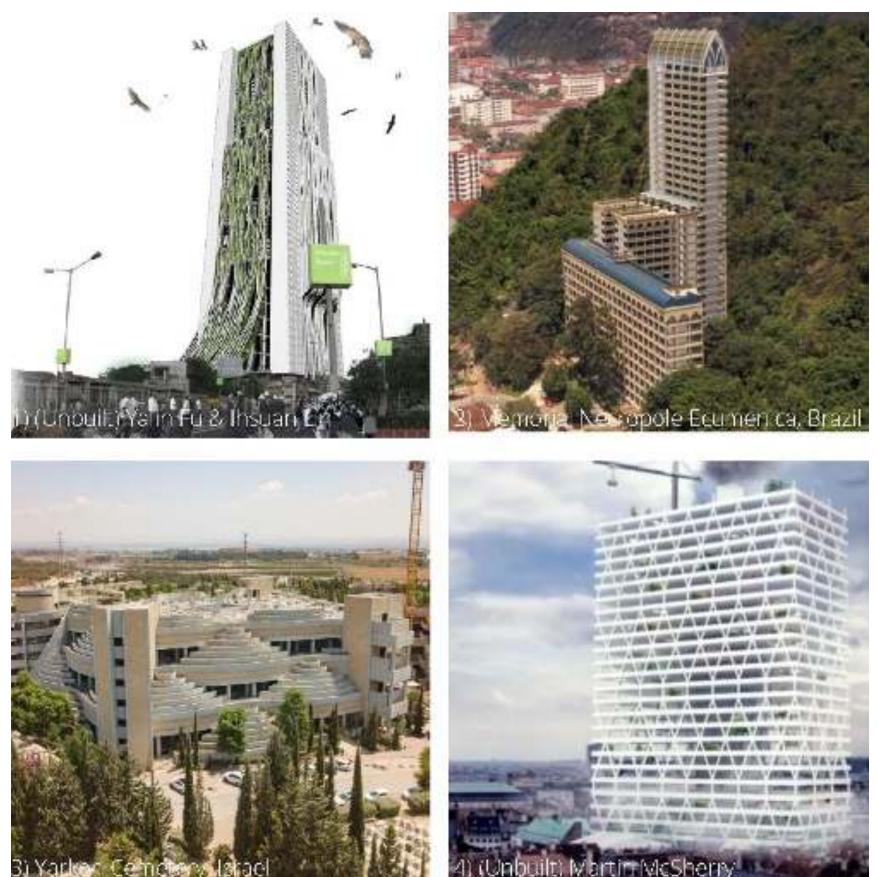
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<Types of Cemeteries>



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<Contemporary Vertical Cemeteries>



<Cemetery Programmes>

After years of global warming and environmental disasters, cities have been inundated and civilization has been forced to seek higher ground for shelter and livelihood and to escape the now permanent pollution of the fully industrialized cityscape. What was once a dynamic urban landscape where one could work and play, has now been separated into different locations, only possible due to the ease of transport and low population, due to the several world wars.

Industrial zones have taken over what used to be cities, utilizing the now flooded streets for the production of goods and materials. The overtaking of cryptocurrencies and multibillion dollar companies monopolizing majority of the world's trades has led to a further dissolution of nations, along with cultures and traditions, with a diverse group of whoever remains banding together in a borderless society.

The lack of authority as well as the fight for better jobs has led to a vast income disparity between the common man and the rich. The lack of buildable space due to the flooding has led to cities being separated into several levels. While the rich experience fresh air, nature and clean cities in the sky, commoners are cramped into dense apartment complexes littered in between the urban jungle of factories and rivers, with the lucky few getting sunlight that seeps through the structure holding the city up.

The limited space has forced prices to skyrocket. While the rich enjoy farmed food and can afford the land to bury their dead, the common man gets their plant-based food from the cliff farms, which utilize the remains of those who can only afford human composting. While this concept may have seemed unreasonable back in the early 2000s, this has become a widespread cycle of life and death today. The trip to visit their loved ones who have passed also acts as a retreat to the common man, where they get to escape the ashy and dusty streets and the thick, polluted air, to experience the abundance of sunlight, the fresh mountain air and the quietness of nature.

Cliff farms have been separated into various zones; vertical farming for vegetables and a cliffside oasis for the growing of trees and crops. The heart of the machine contains the vessels where the bodies undergo the composting process to become fertilizer and spaces for loved ones of the deceased to mourn them. They may proceed on a walk of the grounds of the farm, and spend time amongst the lush life created with the help of their loved ones who have passed.

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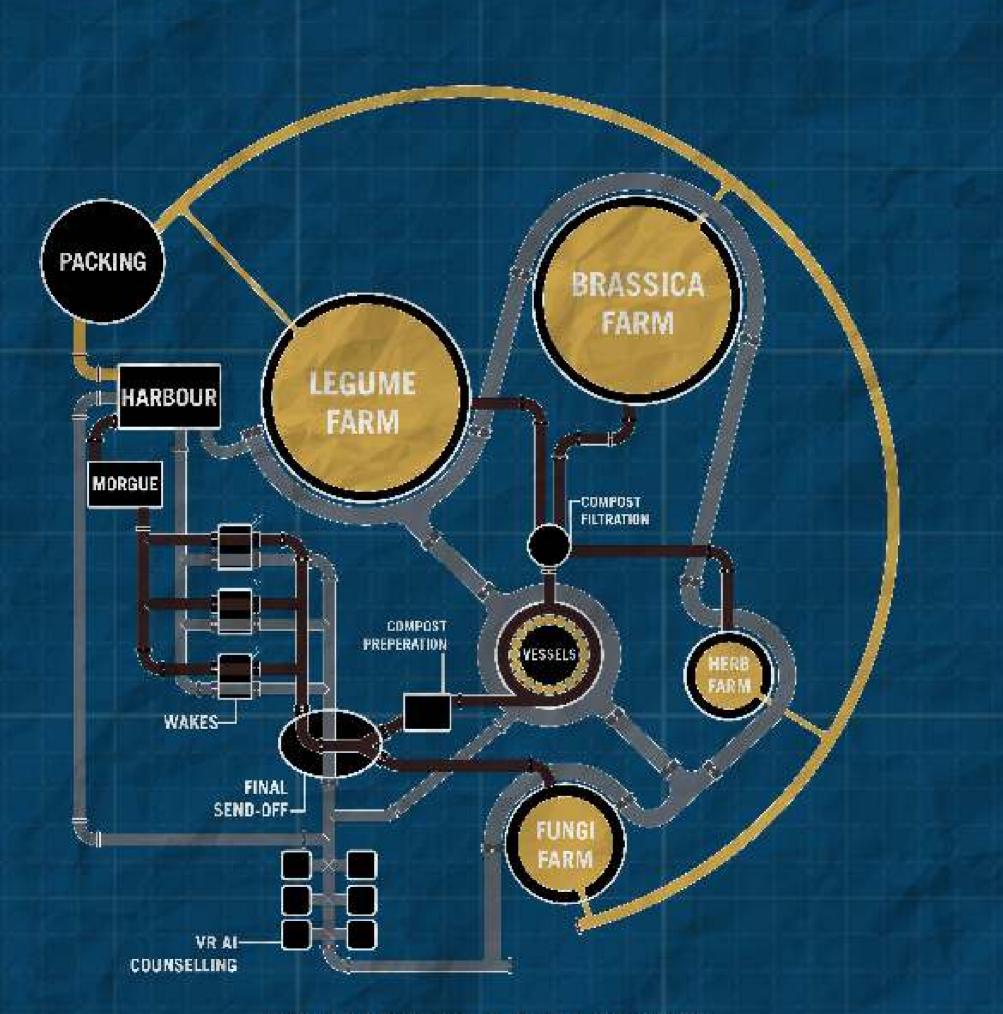
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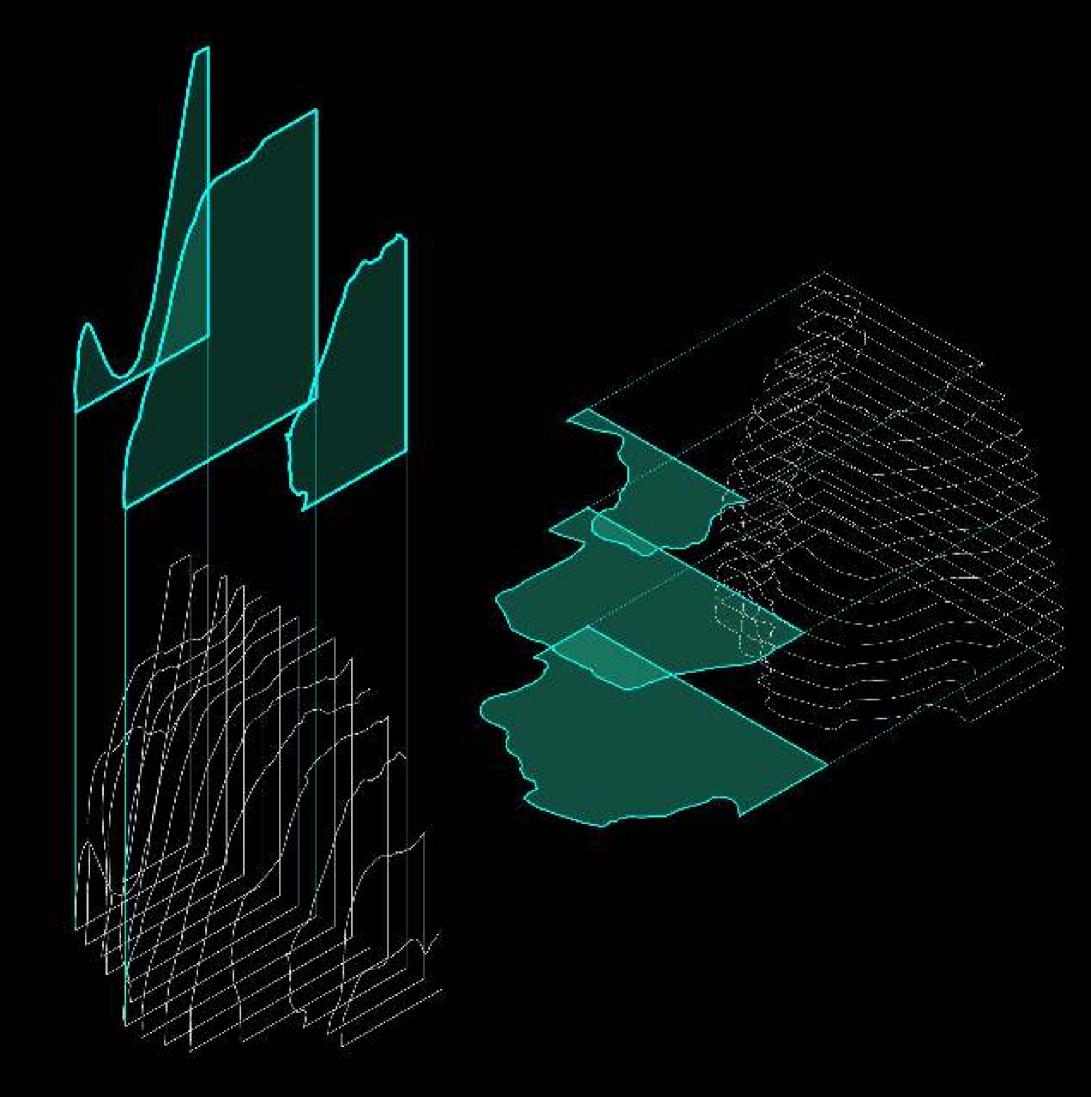
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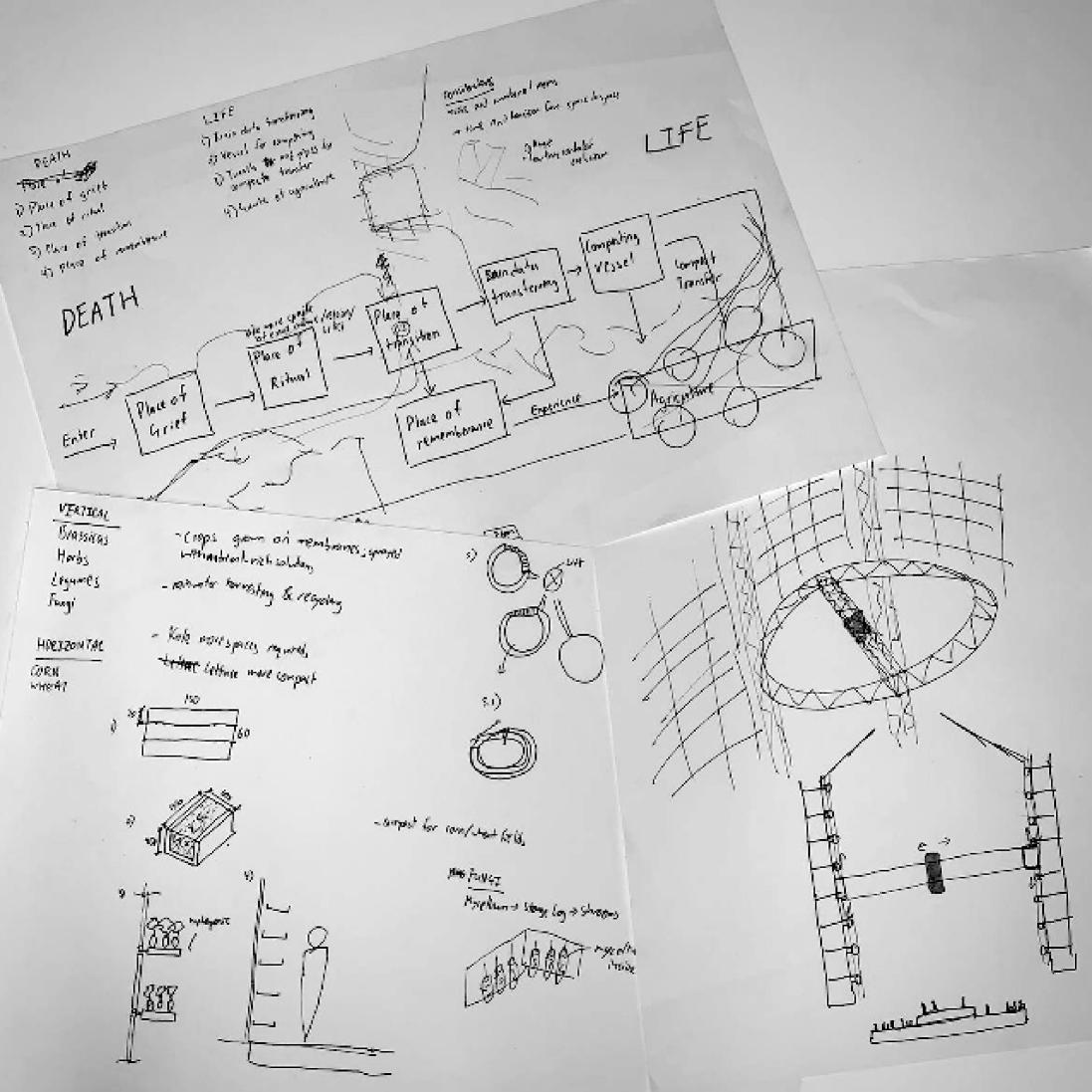
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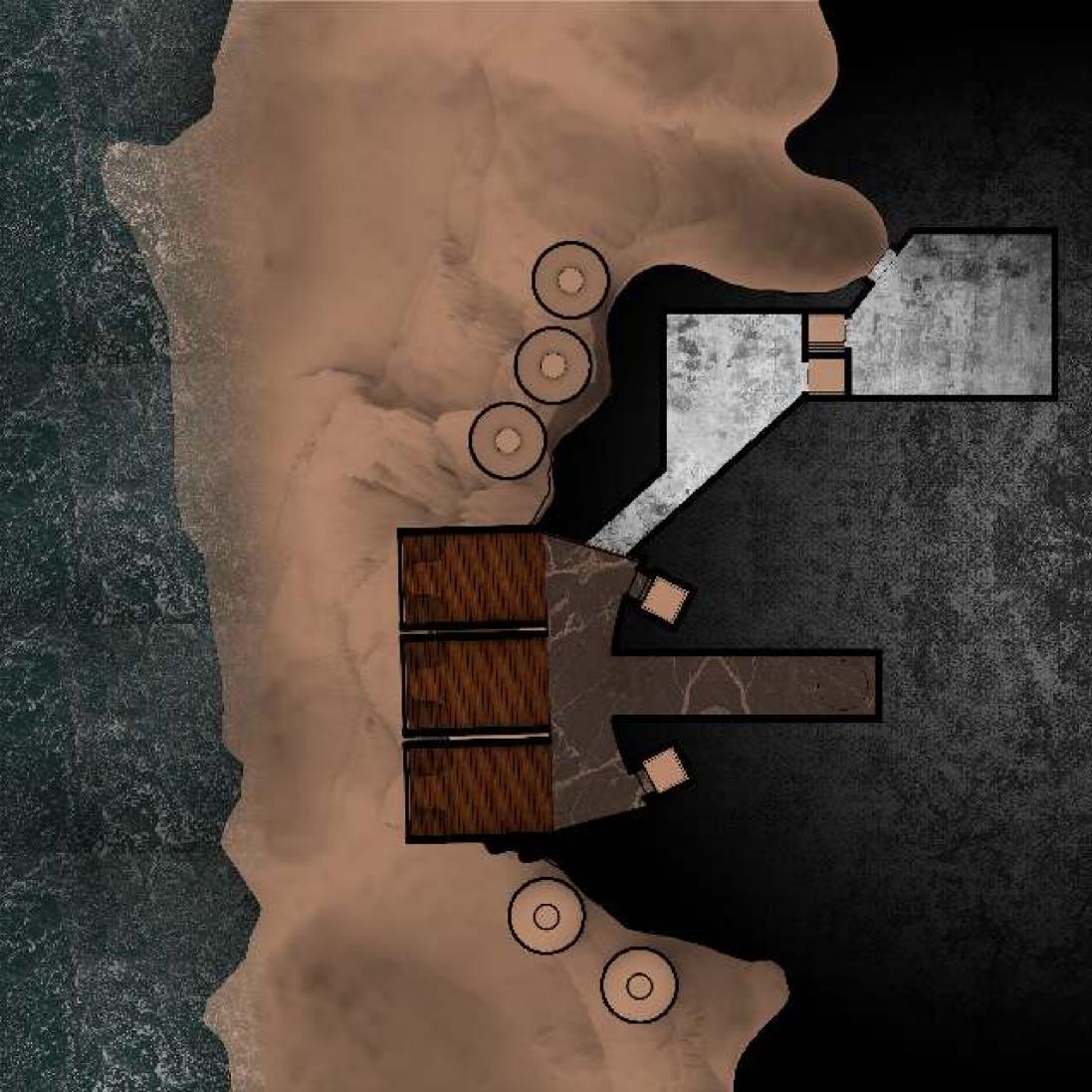
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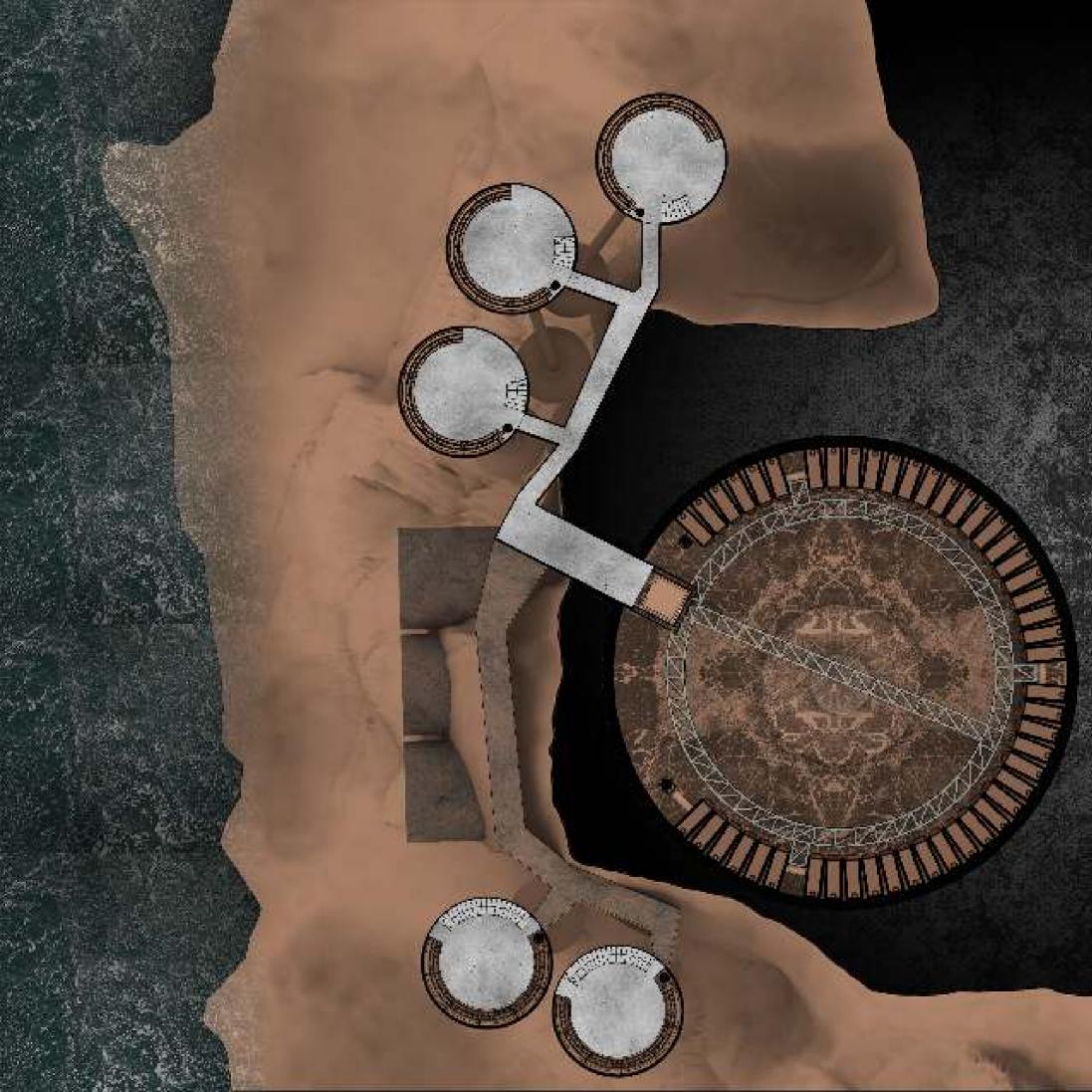
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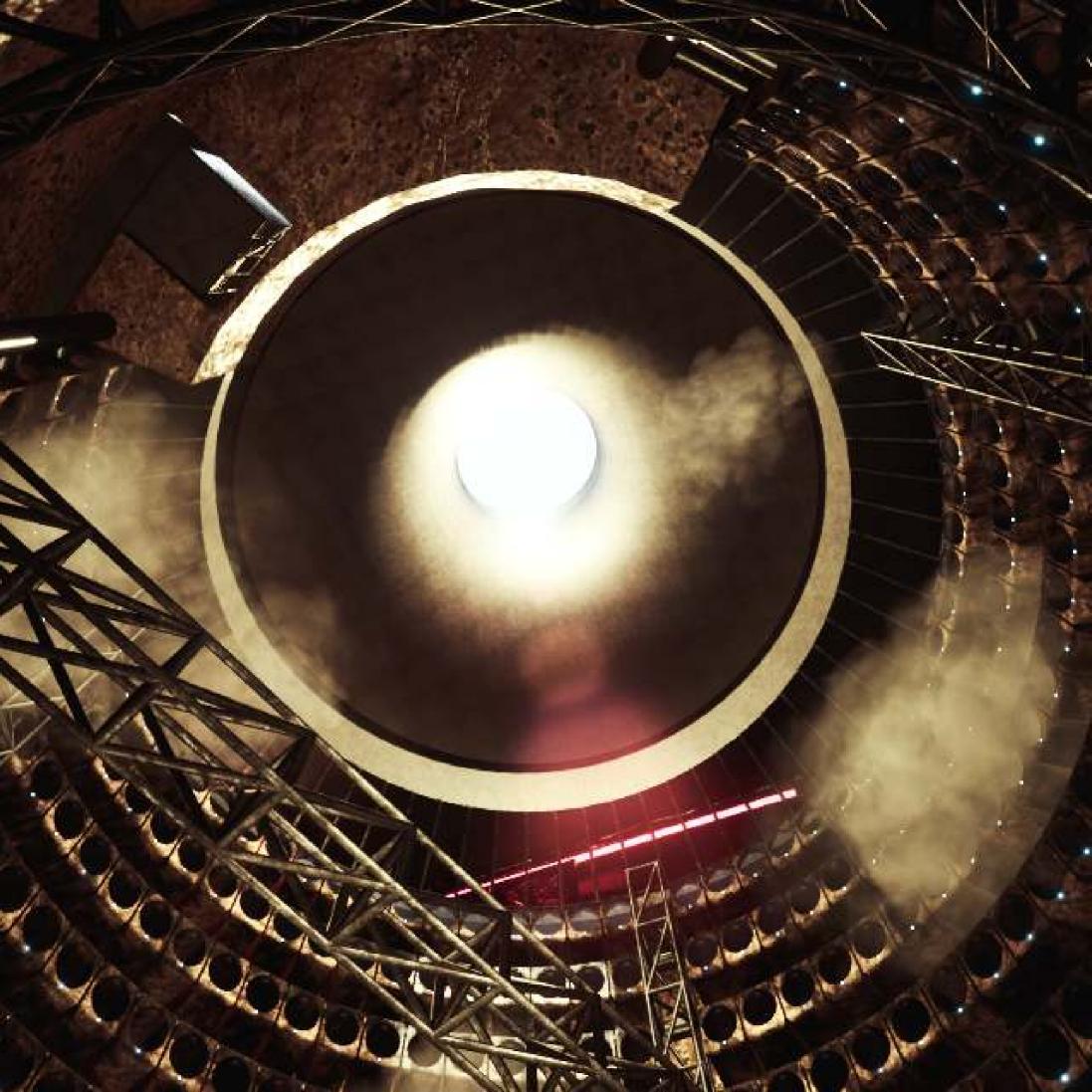
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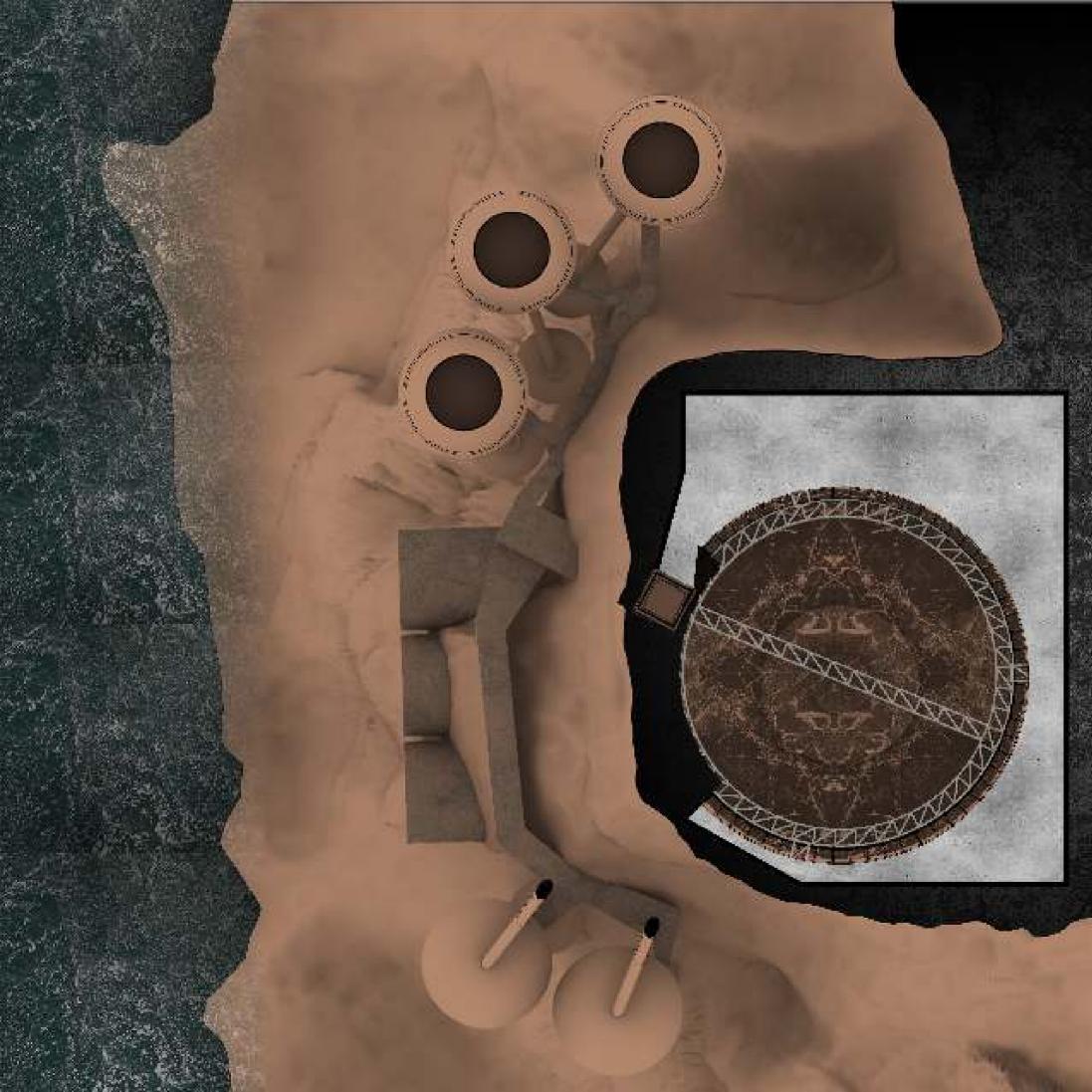














## **Assembling the Machine**

## NOTE:

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