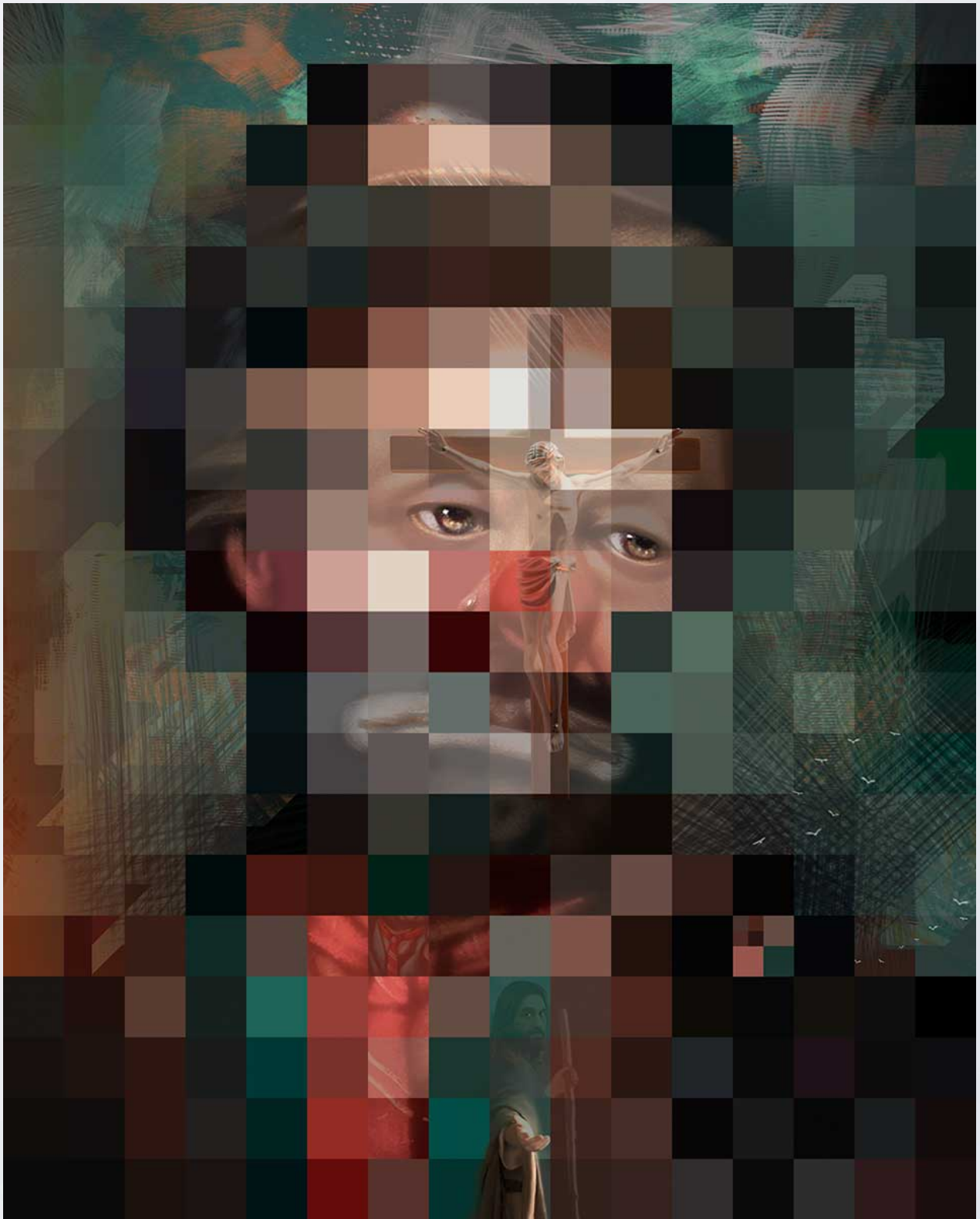


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From the Conceptualized & Photocratic Series



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Dedicated to Kim Chandran

COVER PHOTO: Agope

BACK COVER PHOTO: Trois Soeurs (Three Sisters)

Introduction

MC (Mitch Chandran) is a contemporary photographer based in Las Vegas whose work transcends traditional "point-and-shoot" documentation. His creative philosophy centers on "Interpretive Photography", a style that moves beyond capturing what is physically present to revealing the emotional and psychological essence of a subject.

As a photographer and artist, MC applies this philosophy into most all his photographs. On the artist side, he takes opportunities to heavily post-process many of his photographs into subjective pieces of art challenging the viewer to interpret the way they see the image.

One series of images MC has produced that encapsulates this idea is his Conceptualization series.



MC's approach to his Conceptualization series is defined by three distinct pillars:

1. The "Conceptualized" Series

In this specific body of work, MC utilizes advanced post-processing and "property-altering" digital tools. Rather than aiming for photo-realism, he treats the digital canvas as a medium to intentionally set a visualized mood. By layering textures and altering light, he transforms standard subjects into a subjective experience that reflects an internal emotional state rather than a geographic location.

2. The "Photocratic" Philosophy

A significant portion of his conceptual framework can also be seen in his "Photocratic" series of images. These works are intentionally "nonsensical" or surrealistic, featuring "delusional environments" designed to challenge the viewer's perception. This series of images were born out of the lockdown we all experienced when Covid-19 hit the U.S. The goal with his Photocratic series is to engage the viewer to interact with the image. The images are open-ended, allowing viewers to project their own personal experiences and perspectives onto the visual narrative.

3. Finding the Extraordinary in the Ordinary

At its core, MC's Conceptualization series is all about depth. He operates on the belief that while anyone can take a "nice picture," the true art lies in revealing the "soul" of the subject. He achieves this through Light and Composition. This means leveraging shadows and framing to elevate simple objects into evocative art. Also concerning his panoramic work, he considers "diverse perspectives." An example of diverse perspectives is moving between 360-degree spherical panoramic and 3:1 aspect ratios to manipulate how the viewer enters the space of the photograph. From objective to subjective, MC always operates under the premise of:

"Taking a nice picture is one thing. Producing an image revealing the soul of a subject is another." — MC



The Conceptualized Series



2 Queen West, Toronto, Canada—2015; Edited 2024



Zion Twilight, Zion National Park, Utah—2020; Edited 2022



In the Grotto, Zion National Park, Utah—2020; Edited 2023



The Strip, Las Vegas, Nevada—2023; Edited 2024



Tropicana Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada—2023; Edited 2024



Containers, Las Vegas, Nevada—2015; Edited 2020



Waterfall, Sun City Anthem, Nevada—2022; Edited 2022



The Secretary — 2024



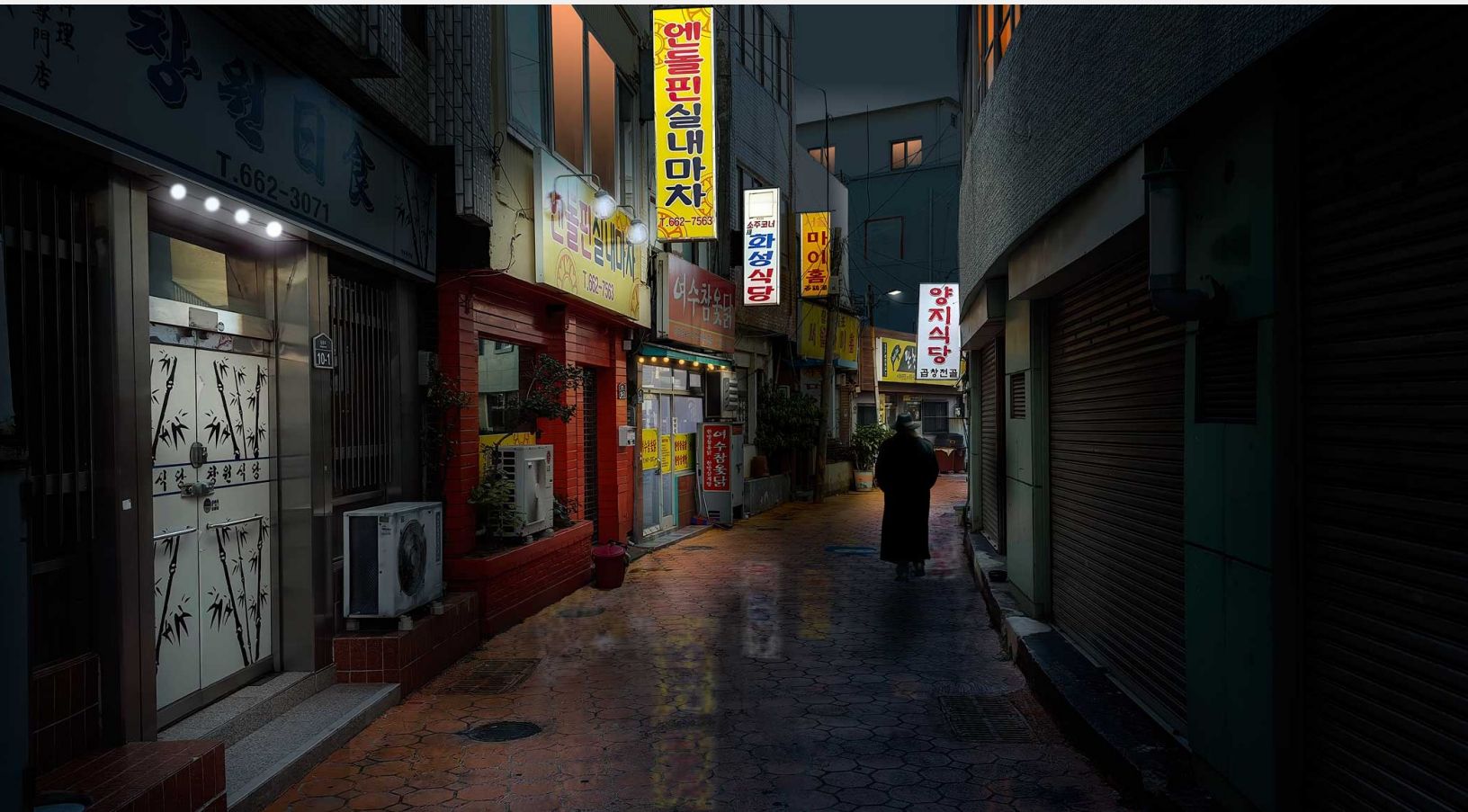
Fanfare for the Custodian — 2024



The Livingroom — 2024



Night Car—2024



A Night in Yosu, Yosu, South Korea—2015; Edited 2023



Night Owls—2024



Only the Lonely, Belleville, Illinois—2013; Edited 2023



Crosswalk, Seoul, South Korea—2015, edited 2023



The Traveler, Seoul International ARPT, South Korea—2015; Edited 2023



Woman by the Window—2023

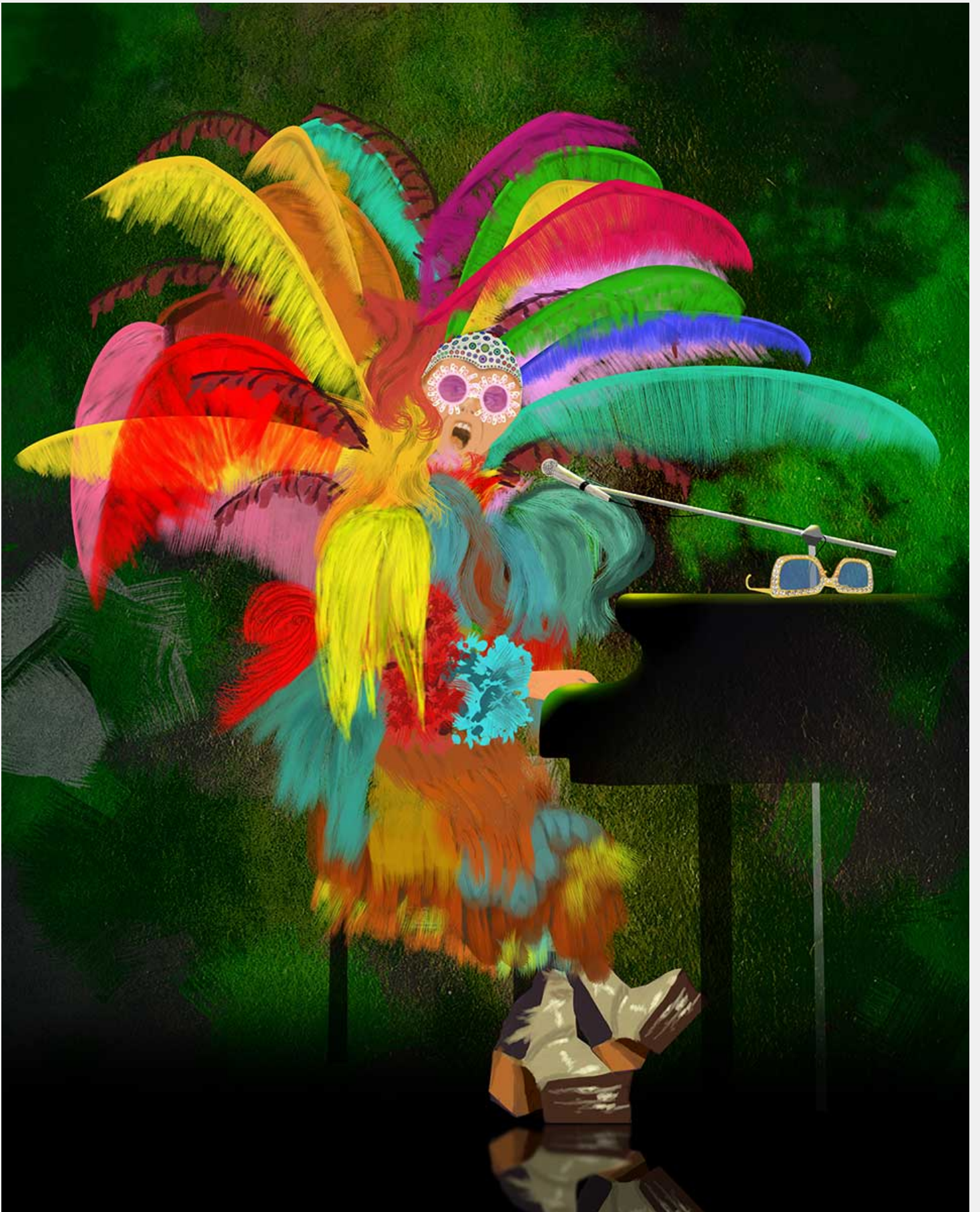


The Temple, Gwang-Ju, South Korea—2015; Edited 2023



Enduring Reflection—2024

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Rocketman —2023



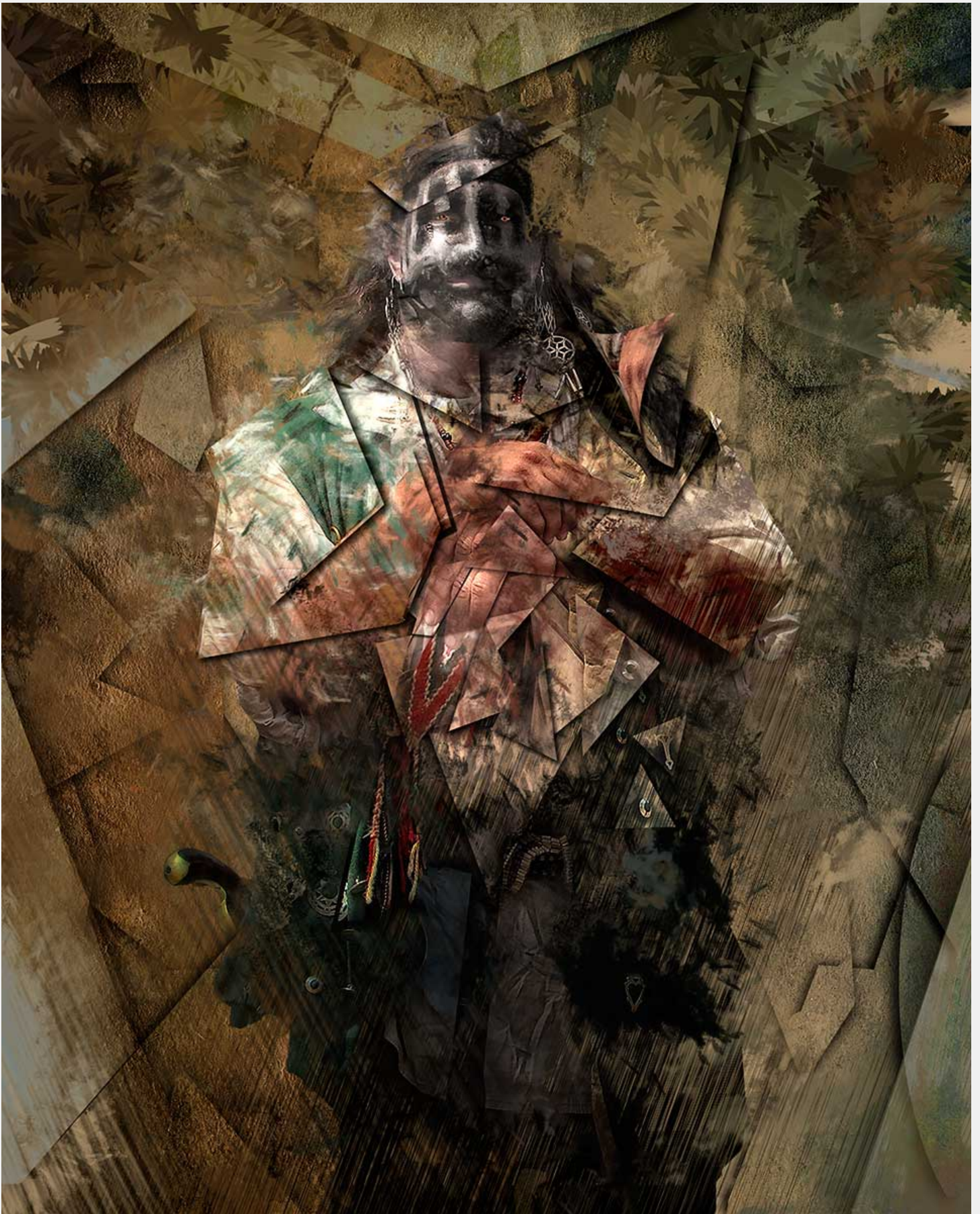
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Le Bibliothécaire (The Librarian) –2023



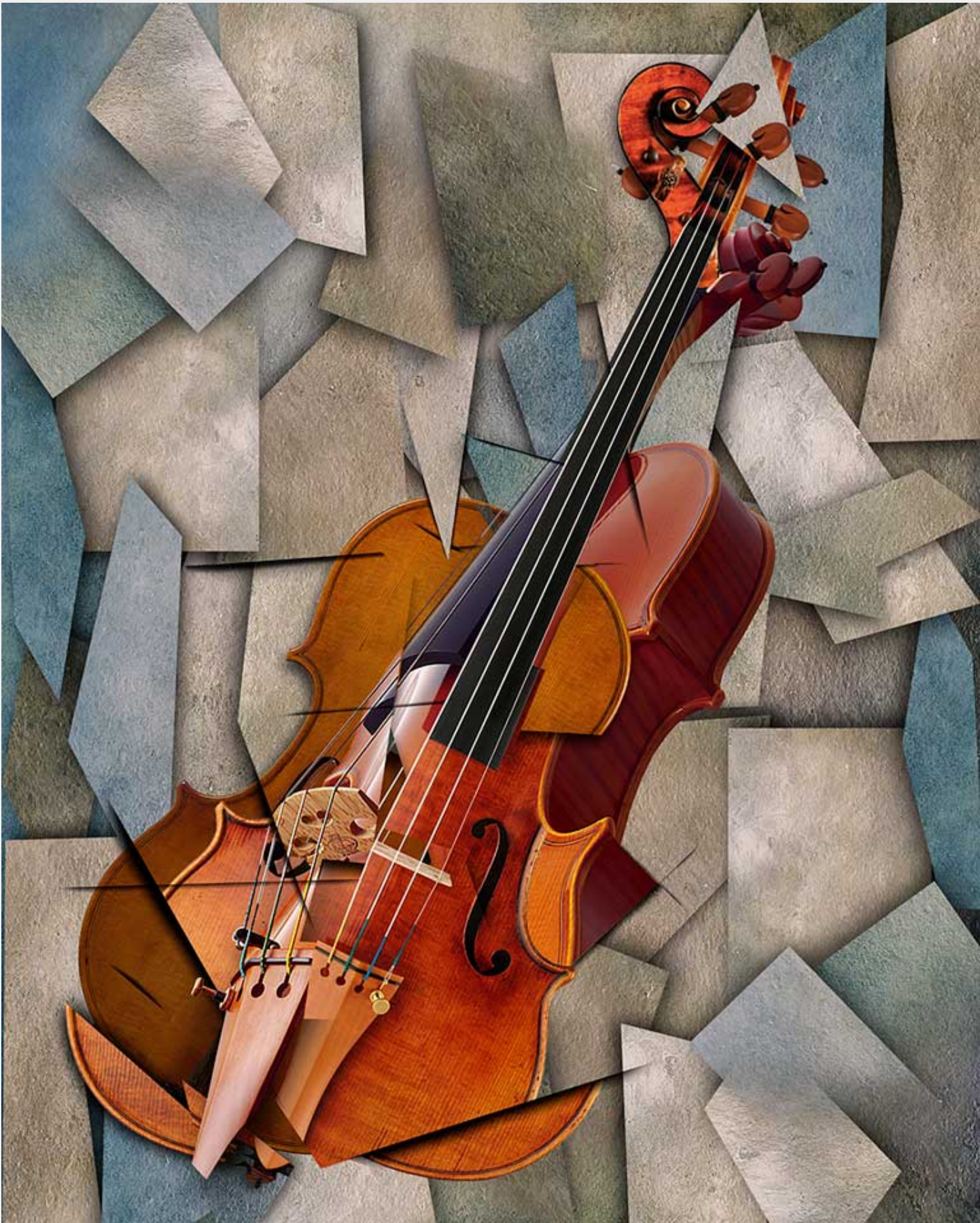
Ok Sun - 2023



The Pirate, Williamsburg, Virginia —2009, Edited 2023



Portrait of Admiral Yi Sun-sin - 2023



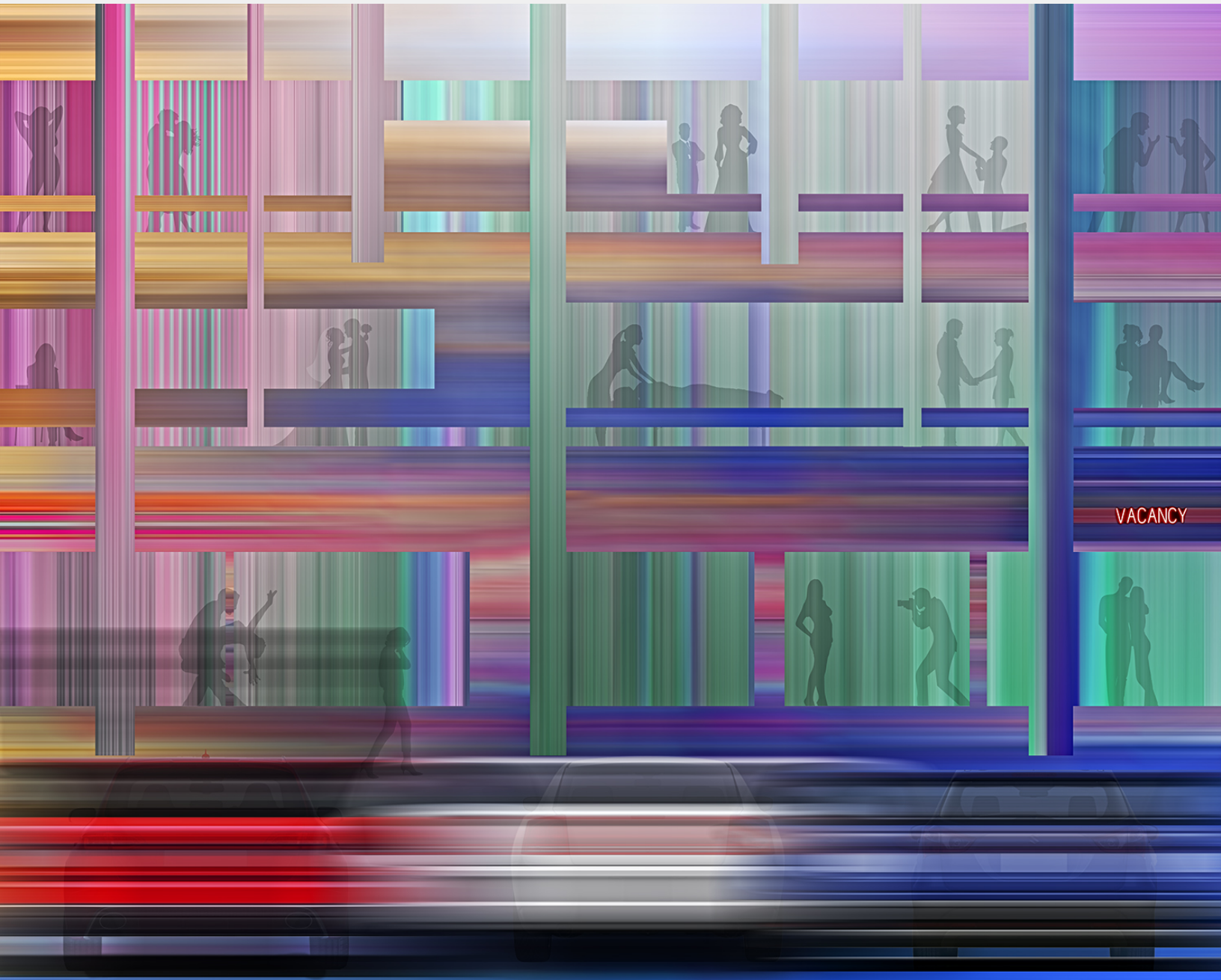
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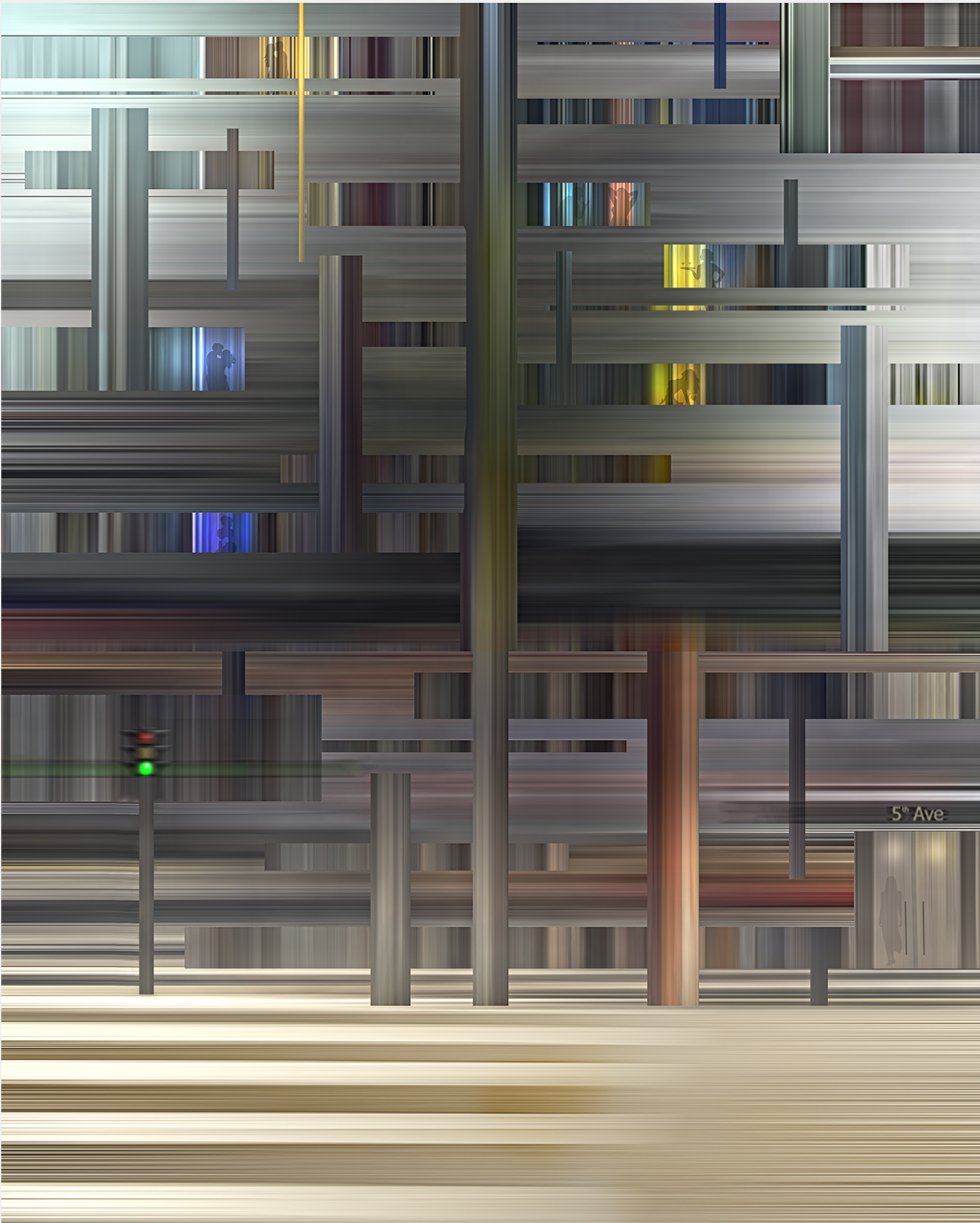
Windows: The Strip - 2019



Windows: The Office –2019



Windows: The Motel - 2019



Windows: 5th Avenue –2019

