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MARS MUSEUM. SPACE EXPLORATION AND THE FUTURE OF ART

Abstract

m_Ars MUSEUM

Space Exploration and the Future of Art

“The struggle itself towards the heights is enough to fill a man’s heart.” *Albert Camus*

Freedom of thought, flight of spirit and creative thinking are qualities that we need to overcome the boundaries in our lives. Space exploration offers the possibility of pushing humans further in the evolution process.

I believe humans have a future in Space. I also know that where are humans there is Art! This is the reason for which we should take into consideration all aspects of space colonization, including the cultural and artistic ones. It’s been said that going to the moon was “the art project of the 20 century”! I believe terraforming Mars will be the state of the art project of the 21 century.

My project entitled *m_Ars MUSEUM. Space Exploration and the Future of Art* implies a research through which to imagine solutions for the hypothesis of creating an art museum on Mars. I would like to create a workshop in which scientist, engineers and artists work together, searching for innovative solution based on this idea. Collaborating with scientists and being in contact with the latest space technologies would stimulate my creativity and enhance my vision, helping me to create new art projects inspired by this process. I think the benefits will be mutual, as my experience in the art field could have a positive impact on people from different research areas. In the future, I would like to create an actual art installation, starting from the key concept of this whole experiment.

Some of the problems which should be answered in the process are:

- How could the first m_Ars Museum look like and what should it contain?
- Do we have artists and curators prepared to think at a cosmic scale and to create art for outer space or other planets?
- How could art contribute at the wellbeing of humans living on Mars?