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Zeloria
Envoy

Posts: 213
Founded: Apr 21, 2020
Left-wing Utopia

by **Zeloria** » Wed Feb 24, 2021 1:57 pm

Western Fardelshufflestein wrote:
But anyway, ya like jazz?

Yes, he's a very cool transformer.



South Reinkalistan
Ambassador

Posts: 1785
Founded: Mar 12, 2019
Corrupt Dictatorship

by **South Reinkalistan** » Wed Feb 24, 2021 1:58 pm

Kiu Ghesik wrote:

South Reinkalistan wrote:
That's called real life, Kiu. We're meant to be writing fiction.

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ok nvm i want nuclear war now

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Kiu Ghesik
Powerbroker

Posts: 9373
Founded: Aug 25, 2020
Democratic Socialists

by **Kiu Ghesik** » Wed Feb 24, 2021 2:00 pm

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i agree, and i wrote that scenario.

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Comerciante
Diplomat

Posts: 646
Founded: Dec 25, 2020
Ex-Nation

by **Comerciante** » Wed Feb 24, 2021 2:04 pm

Vancouver can't be relevant if their is no Vancouver! or Canada! or North Hemisphere!

-Stonks.

"Rumors of CFC affiliates building superweapons in orbit over Earth is fake news. Watch groups have corroborated this even though it would be to quote the BoD "totally rad."

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Miku the Based
Diplomat

Posts: 665
Founded: Dec 03, 2020
Ex-Nation

by **Miku the Based** » Wed Feb 24, 2021 2:06 pm

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Founded: Feb 13, 2021
Ex-Nation

by **Sengoku Americas** » Wed Feb 24, 2021 2:06 pm

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No, please don't destroy Vancouver, I'm quite fond of that place.

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Sengoku Americas
Envoy

Posts: 218
Founded: Feb 13, 2021
Ex-Nation

by **Sengoku Americas** » Wed Feb 24, 2021 2:08 pm

Kiu Ghesik wrote:

Las Palmeras wrote:

That feel when *Blade Runner* is considered as optimistic as Disney's Tomorrowland was in the 1950s.

shoves melting ice caps, increased global radicalization, constant brushfire wars, nuclear proliferation, the steady breakdown of the current one-superpower hegemonic world order, rising authoritarianism, the constant hell in central Asia, development of late-stage capitalism, my broken toe, and more under the table
curls into fetal ball crying

Oh, it's a great big beautiful tomorrow, shining at the end of every day, it's a great big beautiful tomorrow, and tomorrow is just a day away...

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Las Palmeras
Minister

Posts: 3375
Founded: Jun 15, 2012
New York Times
Democracy

by **Las Palmeras** » Wed Feb 24, 2021 2:12 pm

South Reinkalistan wrote:

Las Palmeras wrote:

Hmm...should I insert slurs into my fantasy-esque setting in Tohorin AND get away with it? There's elves, cat coyote girls, dwarves, succubi and whatever else shitty JRPGs I wanna make fun of include.

The more the better. Racism is funny and can be used to great narrative effect. 🤔

Makes sense...*La Matanza*-styled events and lowkey ethnic cleansing are already par for the course in the setting.

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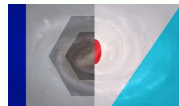
I wanna write a Western because I HATE the noir storyline in LPs characters. This includes the cheesy sax. Somebody's gonna get shot for playing the piano and not the pianie.

Last edited by Las Palmeras on Wed Feb 24, 2021 2:26 pm, edited 3 times in total.

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Posts: 213
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by Zeloria » Wed Feb 24, 2021 3:53 pm

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To be honest, I don't really think that we are heading to the "late-stage capitalist hellscape" you are saying we are, because those mega-corporations that have a lot of power right now WILL be regulated, just as what always has happened when corporate power got too big. It happened during the gilded age with trust-busting, it happened during the industrial revolution and it is happening right now with the EU and Australia trying to regulate facebook and google. What I'm trying to say is things are looking kinda bad right now, but bad times never last, and be a bit more optimistic about the future.



South Reinkalistan
Ambassador

Posts: 1785
Founded: Mar 12, 2019
Corrupt Dictatorship

by South Reinkalistan » Wed Feb 24, 2021 4:00 pm

Zeloria wrote:

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Au contraire:

Only dreamers believe that there is a way out.
Optimism is cowardice. We are born into this time and must bravely follow the path to the destined end.

There is no other way. Our duty is to hold on to the lost position, without hope, without rescue, like that Roman soldier whose bones were found in front of a door in Pompeii, who, during the eruption of Vesuvius, died at his post because they forgot to relieve him. That is greatness. That is what it means to be a thoroughbred. The honourable end is the one thing that can not be taken from a man.
- Oswald Spengler

Pessimism is cool and we all need to have more of it. It makes for fantastic aesthetics. 🤖

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by [Zeloria](#) » Wed Feb 24, 2021 4:19 pm

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I'm so sorry, but cyberpunk 🤖 🤖 solarpunk 🤖 🤖

Now lets get back to of NS-diches because we've changed topic.... again. We've changed topics from cliches to something else so much on this thread, that it should be cliché itself.

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Las Palmeras
Minister

Posts: 3375
Founded: Jun 15, 2012
New York Times
Democracy

by [Las Palmeras](#) » Wed Feb 24, 2021 4:35 pm

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Powerbroker

Posts: 9373
Founded: Aug 25, 2020
Democratic Socialists

by **Kiu Ghesik** » Wed Feb 24, 2021 4:47 pm

Las Palmeras wrote:
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And by arrow-heads.

Last edited by **Kiu Ghesik** on Wed Feb 24, 2021 4:48 pm, edited 1 time in total.

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Dayganistan
Ambassador

Posts: 1453
Founded: May 02, 2016
Father Knows Best State

by **Dayganistan** » Wed Feb 24, 2021 4:57 pm

Rule of cool military uniforms are an NS cliché, right? MT nations who make uniforms that are brightly coloured or otherwise impractical for the modern battlefield just because they look cool.

Republic of Dayganistan

A secular, Tajik dominated state in Central Asia which has experienced 40 years of democratic backsliding. NS stats are NOT used.



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Diplomat

Posts: 665
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Ex-Nation

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Posts: 1785
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by **South Reinkalistan** » Wed Feb 24, 2021 5:16 pm

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by **Miku the Based** » Wed Feb 24, 2021 5:17 pm

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New York Times
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by Kiu Ghesik » Wed Feb 24, 2021 5:38 pm

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"...now, wholl stick around to see my presentation over how the stylistic differences in luxury ceramics and imitations show abrupt cultural and economic change"

Fun fact: It's actually just me dramatizing the *Extra Credits History* video on the *Bronze Age Collapse*'s intro.

Also yeah, I'd def watch that presentation, tbh.

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Don't know why but now I've got the image of like a postapocalyptic society viewing the fueling of machines as some kind of bloodletting of oil and viewing fuel as "sacred blood" or something like that.
Big mechanicus energy tbh.

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Kyoki Chudoku Bunkatsu
Civilian

Posts: 0
Founded: Feb 21, 2021
Ex-Nation

by **Kyoki Chudoku Bunkatsu** » Wed Feb 24, 2021
5:43 pm

I've technically done romance plots before. But they've all tended to involve various degrees of insanity and sometimes intense amounts of depression and betrayal. So not exactly much to aspire to, or indeed much solely written by myself.

There was that one time Kurushimi and Gikochinai went on a pseudo-date, but I don't know if that really counts since it was more a one-off sort of thing. Though I suppose in Bunkatsu canon those two had a couple more, but it did have diplomatic overtones and such.

Aozora Chiyumi, the self-declared Supreme Overlady of All Reality, has **fallen**. These are the irreconcilable visions of her legacy.
Do you support **STABILITY**, **SUBJUGATION**, **EUPHORIA**, **PURITY**, or **ORDER**?

(This is alternate universe, not a direct continuation of Kyoki Chudoku. I'm not ready for that yet.)



Las Palmeras
Minister

Posts: 3375
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New York Times
Democracy

by **Las Palmeras** » Wed Feb 24, 2021 5:50 pm

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Sort-of same thing happened with the Crusaders and Cataphracts in regards to "armor too hot" in their campaigns iirc, so it wouldn't surprise me at all.

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Ah, so happiness is something that only happens in Soviet!Palmeras. I see.

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Baizou
Spokesperson

Posts: 124
Founded: Jan 02, 2018
Liberal Democratic
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by [Baizou](#) » Wed Feb 24, 2021 6:03 pm

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as the voice of Palpatine: *Dewit*.

I'm a bit of a sucker for romance stories myself, though I suppose they don't tend to get executed well on NationStates. The usual writers aren't typically up to the task... ^~^;

Sengoku Americas **wrote**:

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From what I've gathered, there seems to be something good going on with the Ari-John Ross story, though perhaps that's more an exception than a rule.

There's only one other romance RP on NationStates that I heard about and remember as being more than just one-liner oddness, though it was so long I no longer remember the nations' names. I remember it was an odd alternative-timeline-dictatorship nation, yet also apparently just a pretty pedestrian, saccharine romance arc.

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