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My location was a series of alleyways behind a couple apartment buildings, and then the elaborately decorated façade of one of the buildings (shown above). One social media I use frequently is Instagram. This is an application where only photos and videos are featured, and the users are encouraged to post images of themselves. Many people define Instagram as being a place for vain individuals to marvel in their own beauty, although that is not the only use for the app. Many people use Instagram to promote their own business, post pictures of nature, or a number of other reasons besides personal vanity. However, it cannot be denied that Instagram can be a breeding ground for envy, and a place to accentuate the positive aspects of your life while hiding your flaws and weaknesses. This building does not actually have a very ornately carved marble exterior; it is a façade used to embellish. Just like Instagram embellishes people's outside appearances and the beauty and excitement of people's lives, you never really see the ugly and bad things on the inside, or the emptiness that comes from projecting a false image of oneself.

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