

STYLED BY LIFE

A COLLECTION OF FASHION INSPIRATIONS  
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Fashion is more than just looking good and choosing what's trendy. Fashion is a lifestyle. It's a reflection of all the things that make you uniquely you. Dress is a form of self expression. Your personal image is uniquely curated to show the rest of the world what you stand for.

*Styled By Life* is a glimpse into my interests and background and how those things influence the way I express myself. Please enjoy this visual journey, and I hope it inspires you to think of new ways to present yourself.





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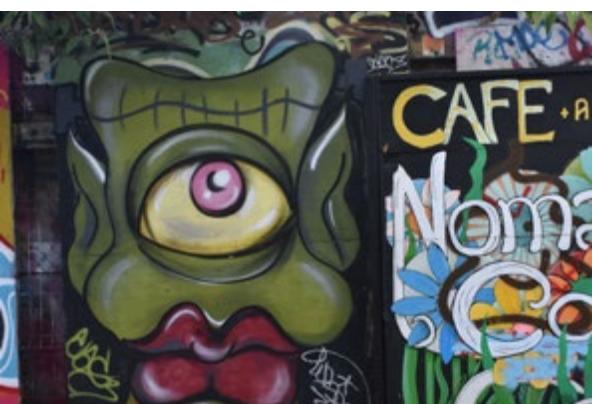


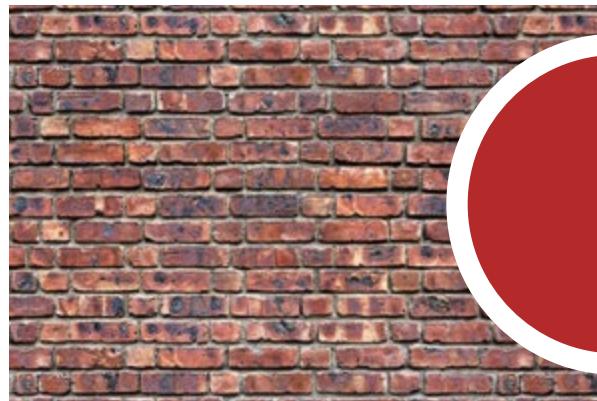
Growing up in New York City, I've been surrounded by stimulating visuals my whole life. I've always loved art and painting, but I'm especially thrilled by the edgy, rebellious nature of street art. It's unique and unexpected. You never know when a small alley behind a corner deli might contain some hidden gems. Street art is about escaping the hard, refined rules of the mainstream.



## INSPIRATION: Spitalfields- London, UK

Spitalfields is a neighborhood in London, England full of unique street art and vintage fashion boutiques. I explored the area when I was studying fashion in Paris and took a weekend trip to London.





The hand-painted leather jacket is inspired by the ragged grunge aesthetic of Spitalfields and the colorful linework in murals.

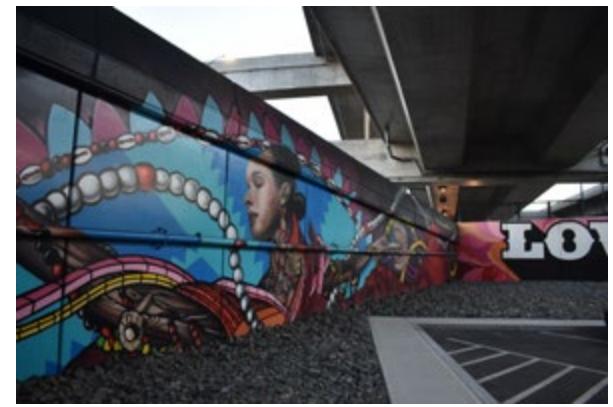
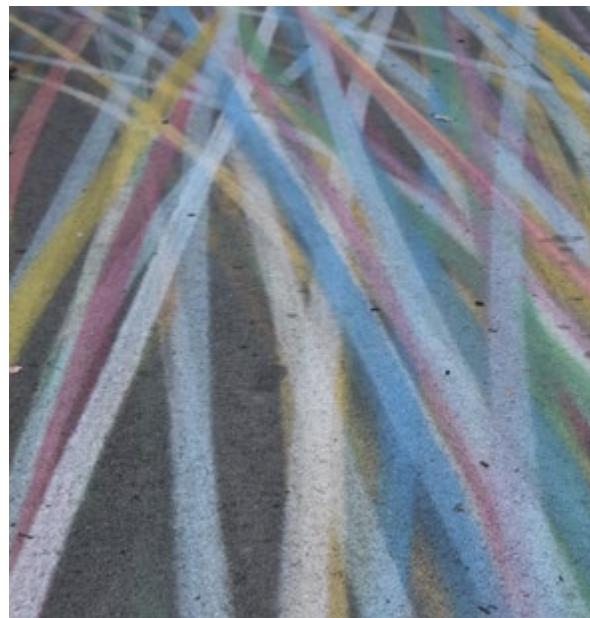
For bottoms, I chose distressed acid wash denim to match the faded spray paint texture against the cracked pavement.

Inspired by the hypebeast presence in London, I drew the shoes to resemble Retro 1 Breds to match the brick wall colors.



## INSPIRATION: Underground Inkblock - Boston, MA

*Underground Inkblock is a colorful installation in South Boston painted underneath a highway. It was an exciting experience, as I really had to explore every corner to find all the hidden messages and psychedelic visuals.*



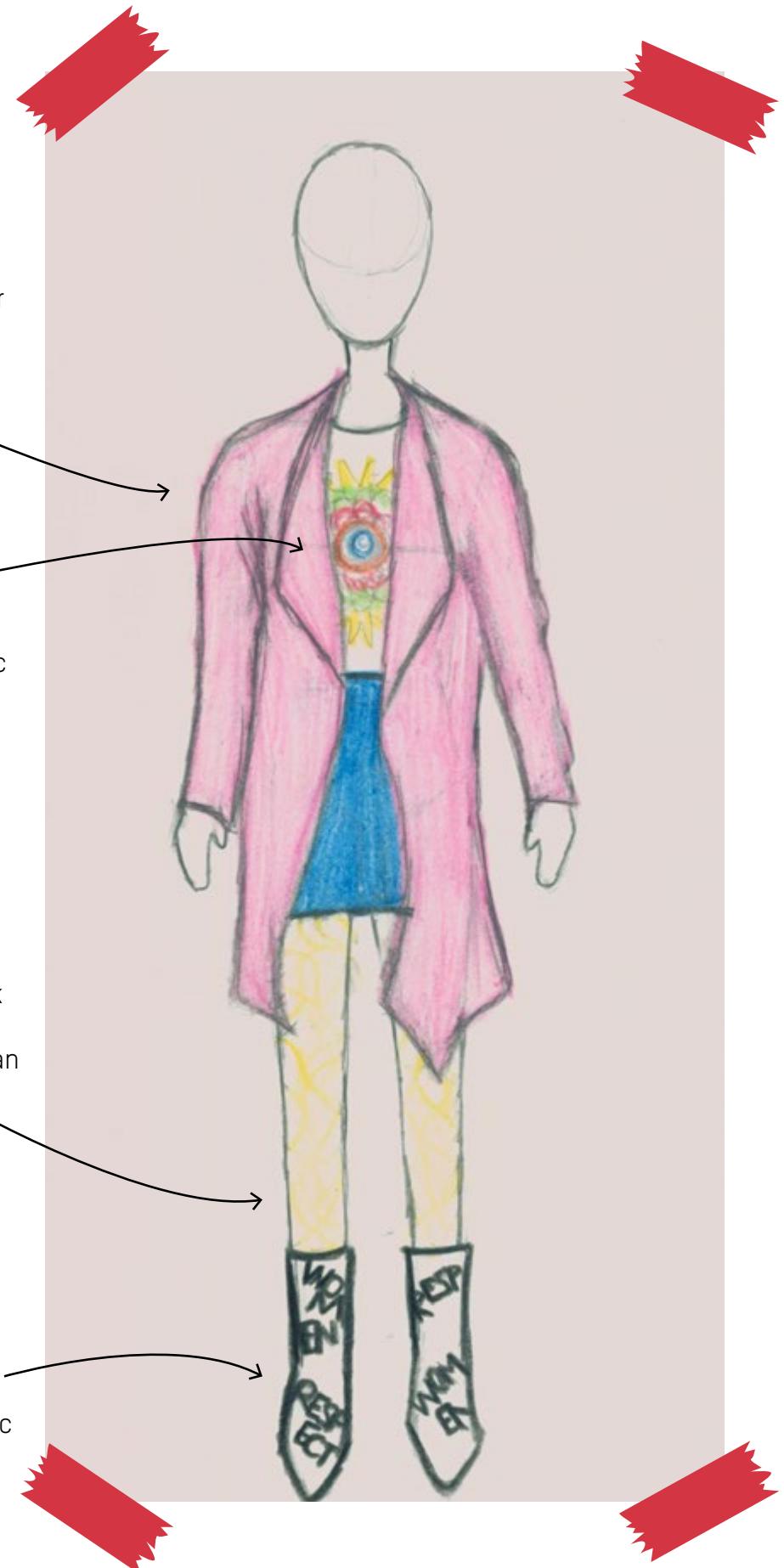


I chose a flowy pastel duster coat as the base for a softer street-art inspired look.

The graphic tee is inspired by the calming psychedelic design painted along the highway walls.

To mimic the winding chalk lines on the ground, I used yellow fishnet tights with an organic line pattern.

The patent leather boots with handwritten print are inspired by the bold graphic text of the paintings.





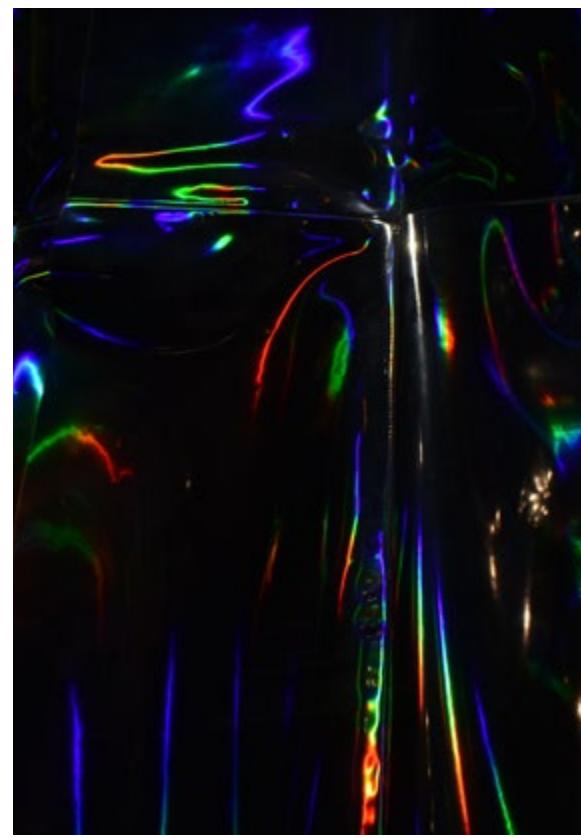
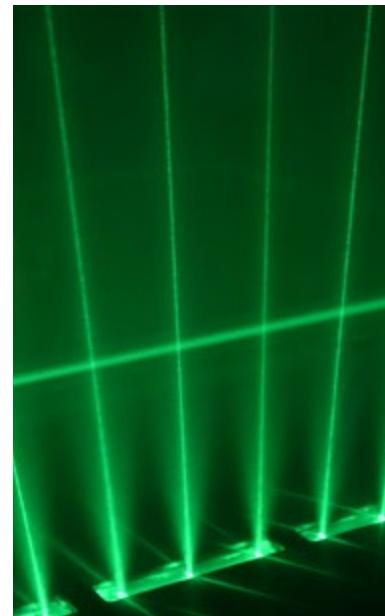
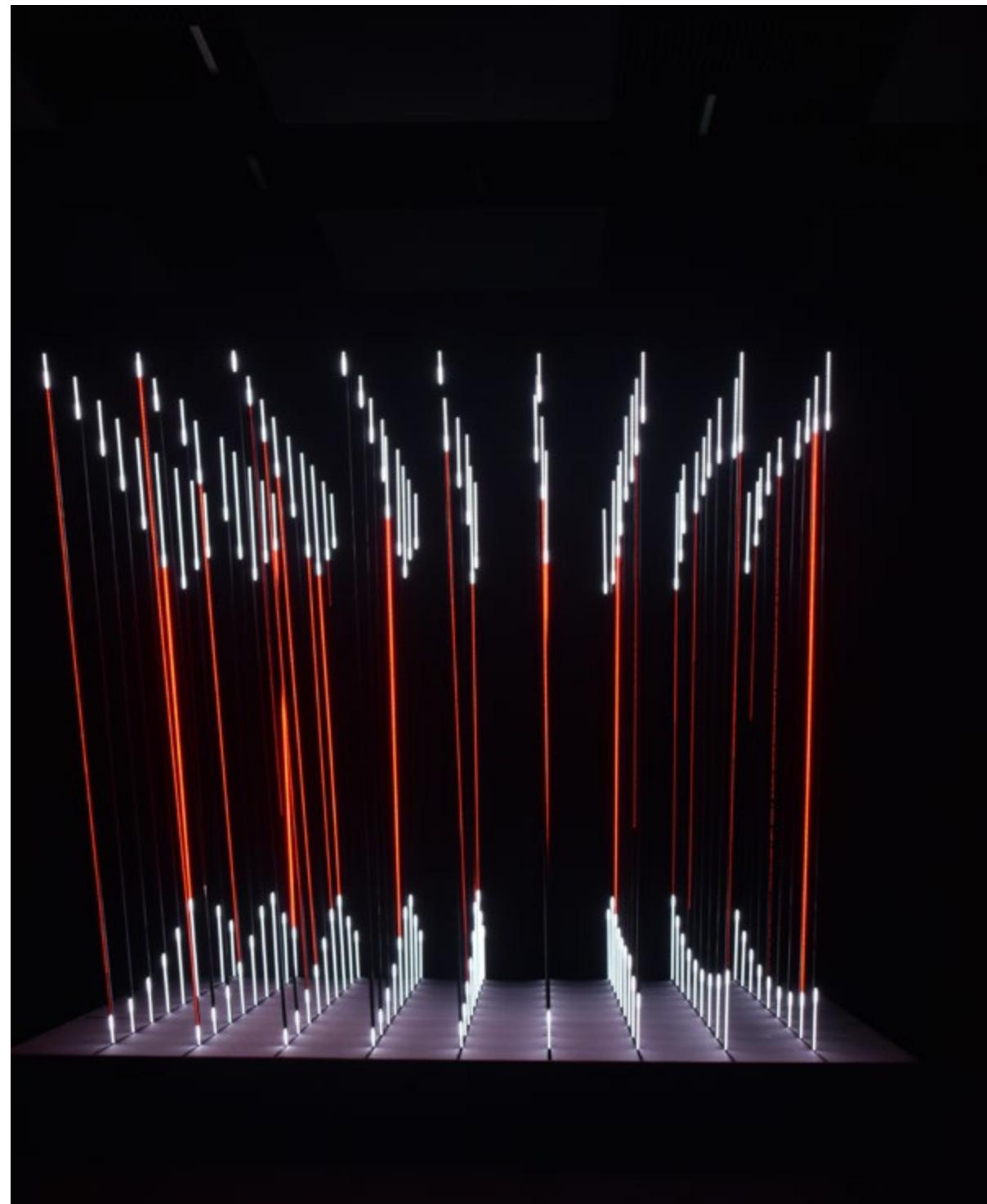
I was born in America as the child of two immigrant parents, but we always spoke English at home, and other children in my school were not very accepting of diversity. For most of my early life, I strayed from my Chinese roots, thinking they weren't "cool." When I became older, I regretted neglecting that part of my heritage, and I've been working on exploring my culture more. I try to find ways to incorporate my Chinese background into my self expression.



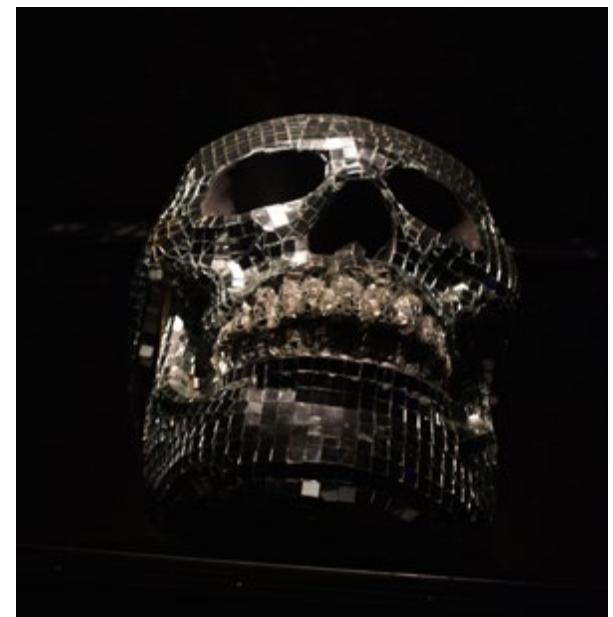
EDM is my favorite genre of music, and I especially love the colorful, free-spirited community that comes with it, as raves are historically a safe space for outcasts. I started raving during my first year of college, and I fell in love with the mesmerizing sounds, hypnotic visuals, and all-embracing fanbase. It was at these events that I've made some of the boldest fashion choices of my life, because I feel so free to make crazy decisions without fear of being judged.

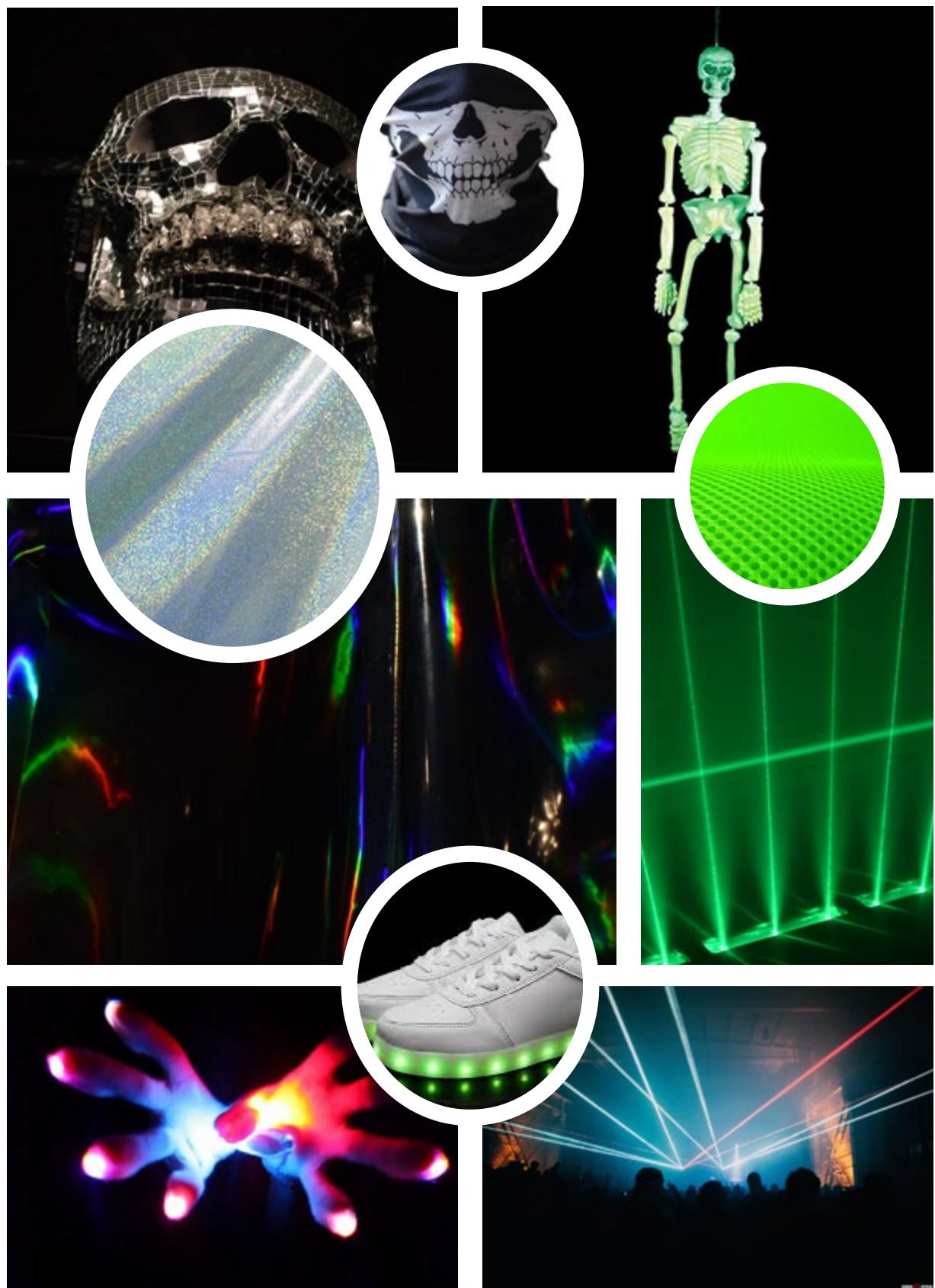
## INSPIRATION: ELECTRO at Philharmonie de Paris

ELECTRO was an exhibit revolving around the cultural roots and technological advances in underground dance music. I was blown away by the beautiful light shows and gleaming metallic textures.



“C’EST UNE MUSIQUE  
HALLUCINANTE COMPOSÉE  
SOUS ECSTASY ET LSD”



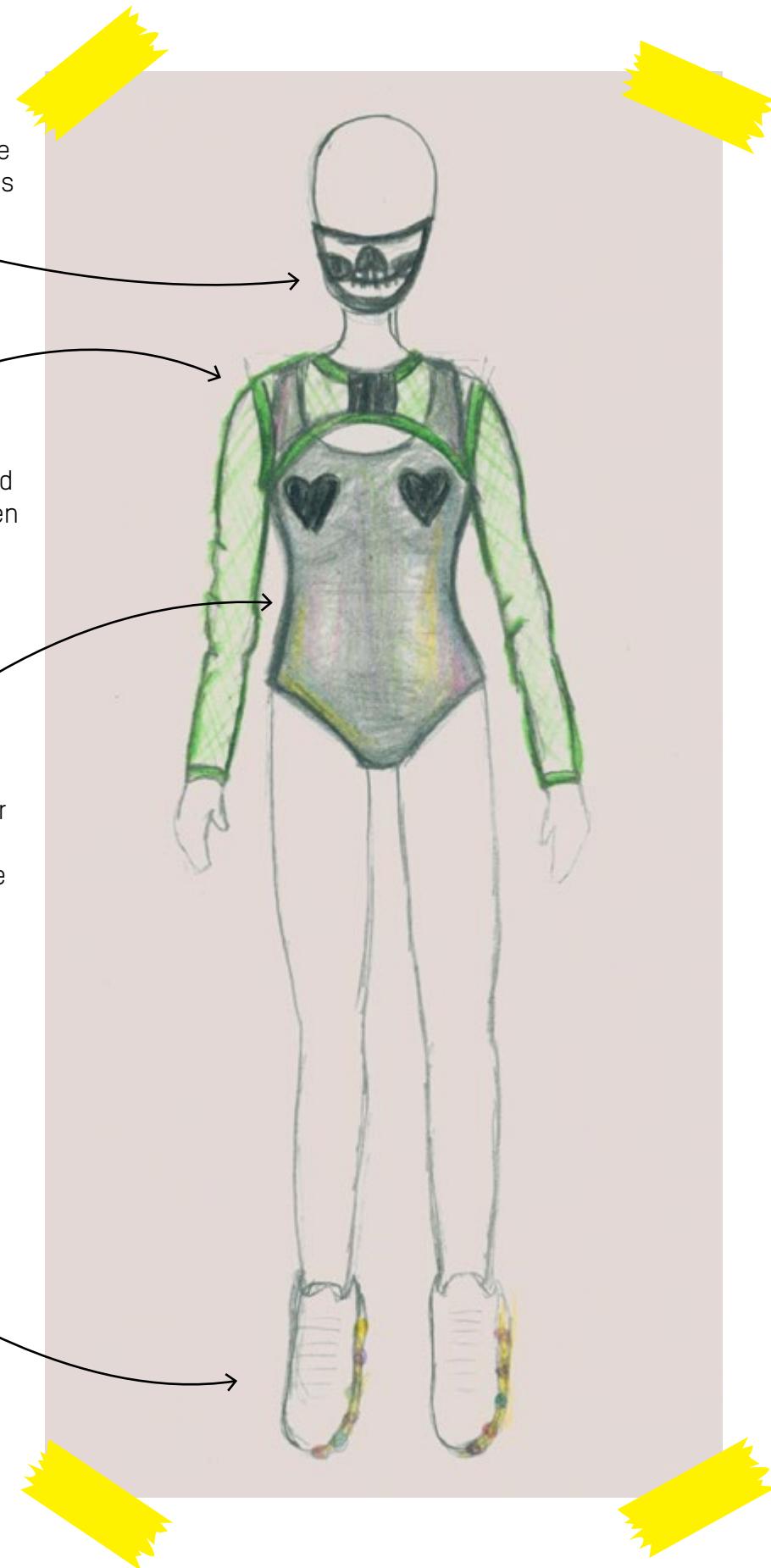


The skull theme is very common in EDM fashion, and I wanted to incorporate a face mask for a mysterious look.

Inspired by the bright laser lights found in underground techno clubs, I used a green mesh crop top.

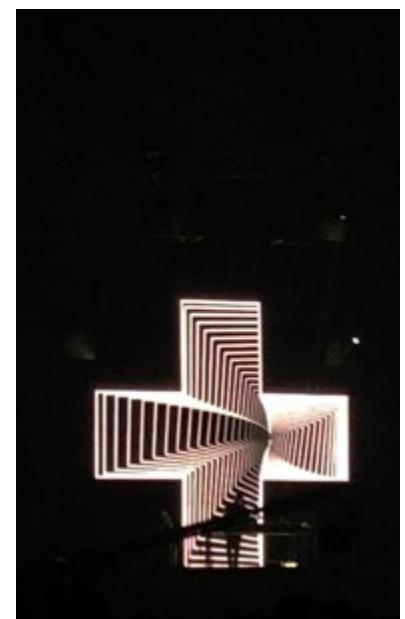
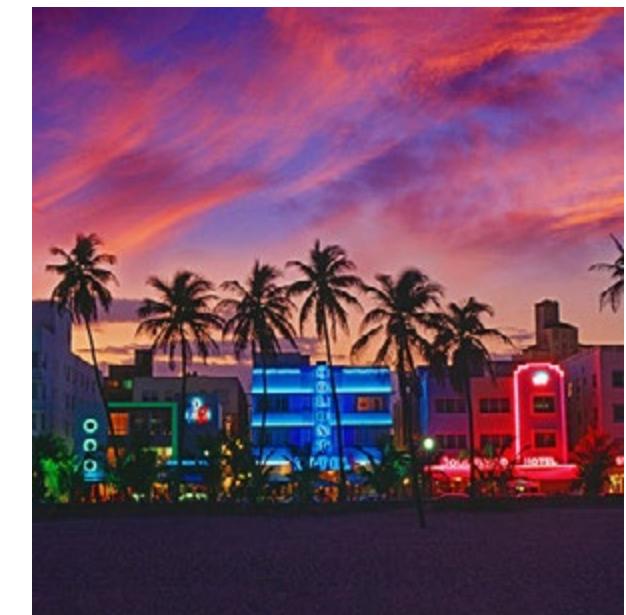
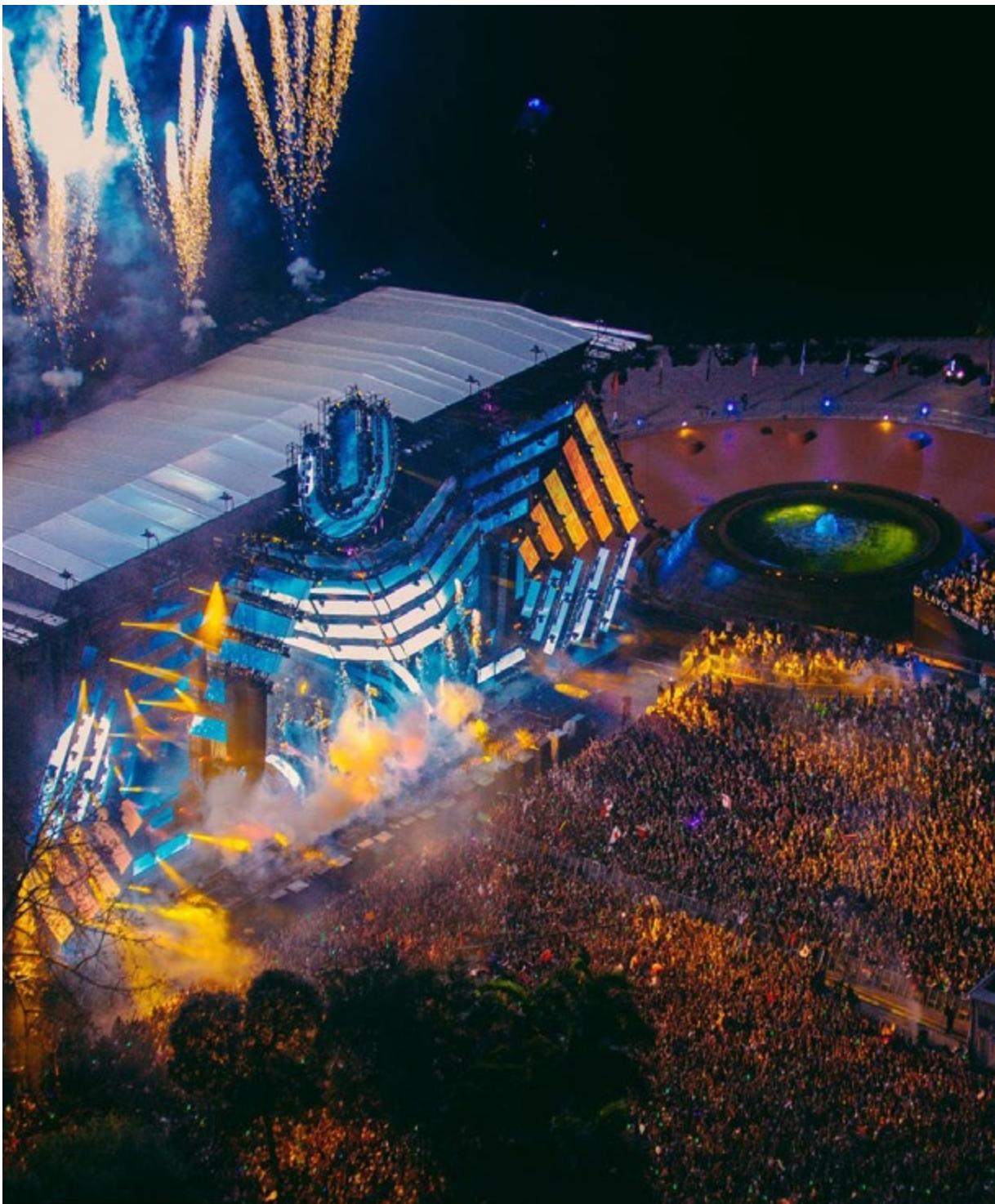
I chose a holographic silver bodysuit to go with the shiny metallic theme of the Electro exhibit.

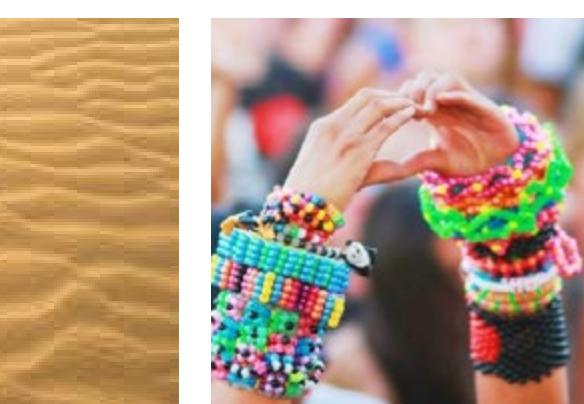
For shoes, I wanted to mimic the flashiness of light shows at raves. I incorporated a fun pair of light-up sneakers.



## INSPIRATION: Ultra Miami

*Ultra Miami was the first large out-of-state festival I ever attended. It was a magical experience, as I felt united by the music with people from all over the world under the breathtaking sunset.*

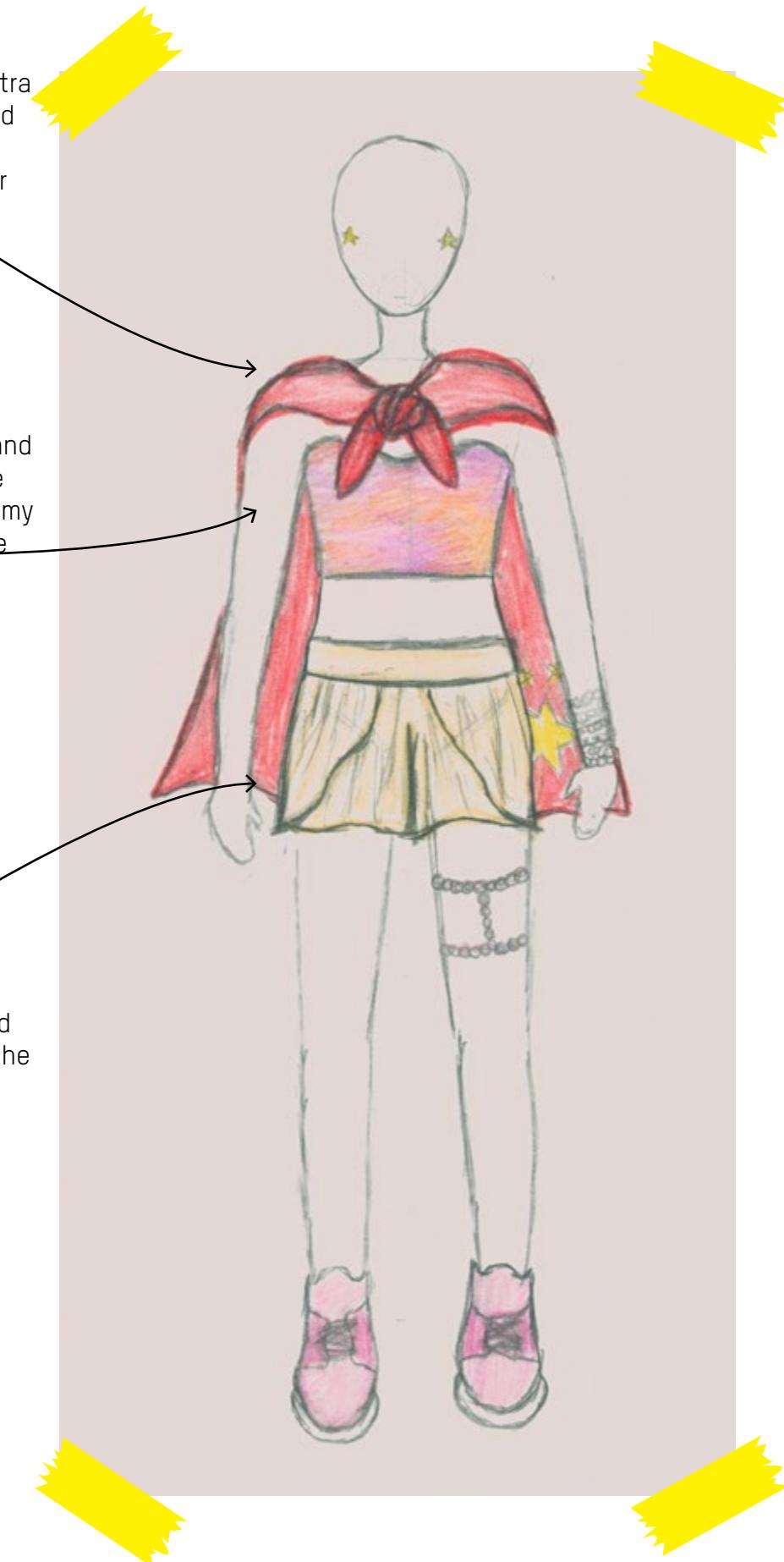




My favorite thing about Ultra is the diverse global crowd it attracts. I love seeing fans proudly wearing their flags as capes.

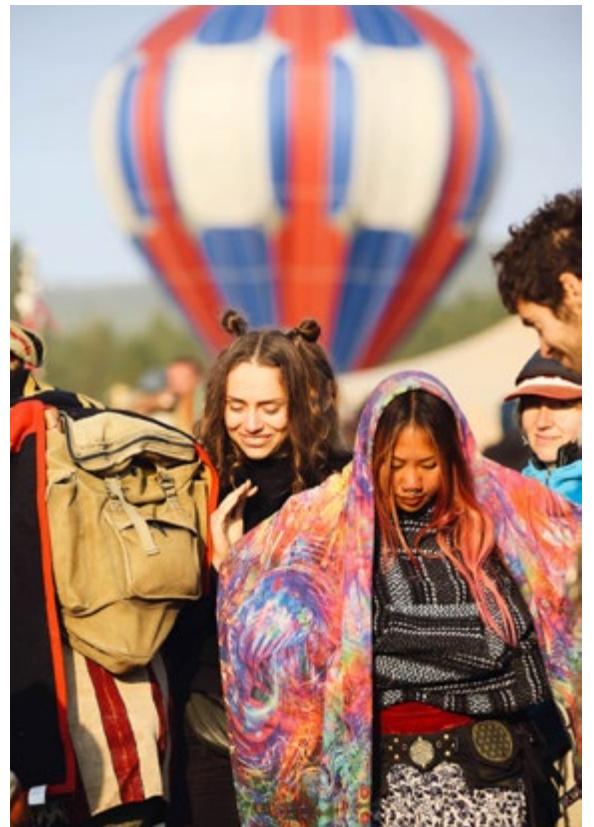
The warm stage lighting and beautiful sunset were the most memorable parts of my Miami trip. I wanted to use these colors in the top.

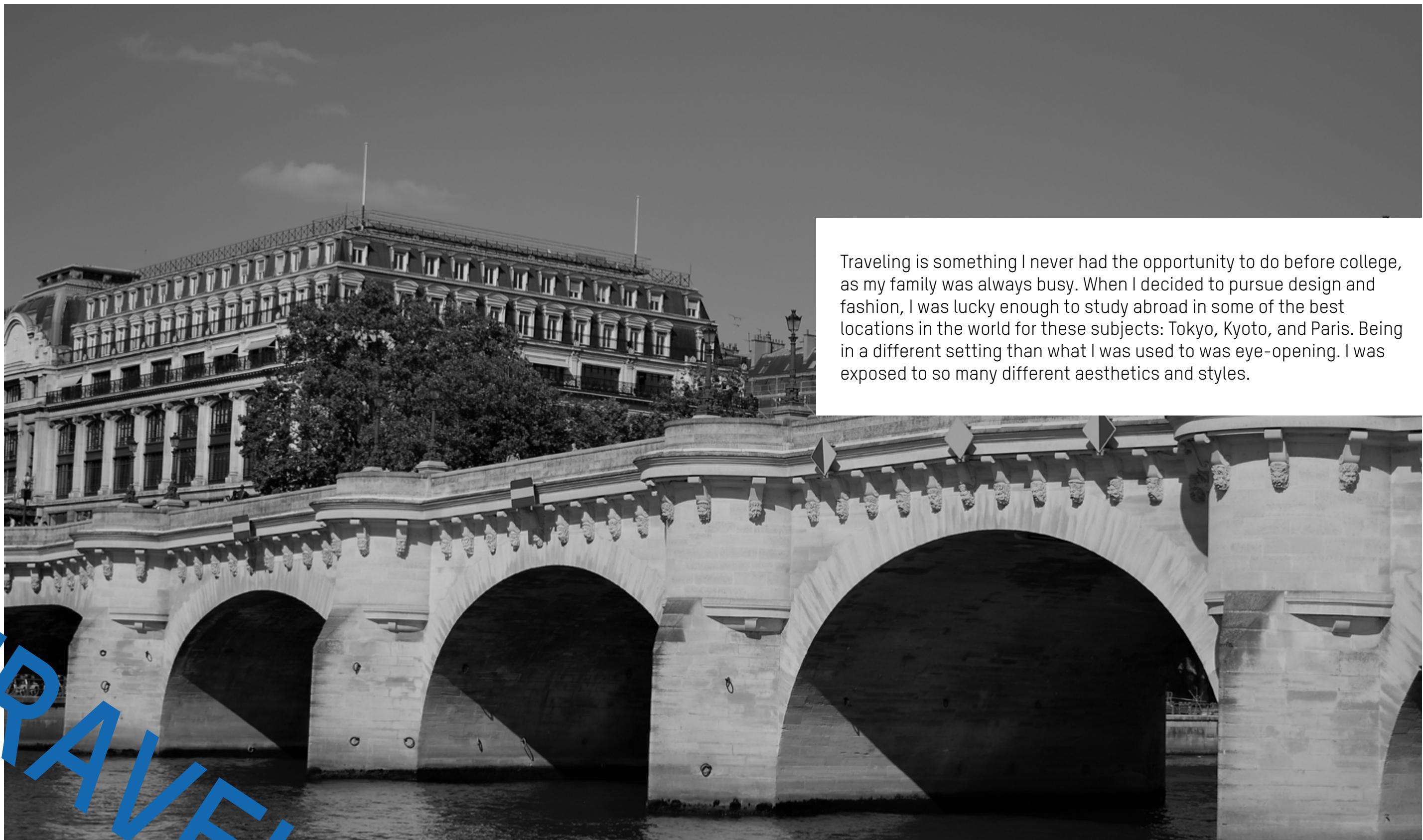
The flowy sand-colored chiffon shorts are inspired by the soft breeze along the shorelines of the beach.



## INSPIRATION: Dubstep

Dubstep is my favorite subgenre of EDM because of how intense the bass is and how hard the fans go at shows. Hardcore dubstep fanatics are often seen wearing edgy prints and statement accessories.



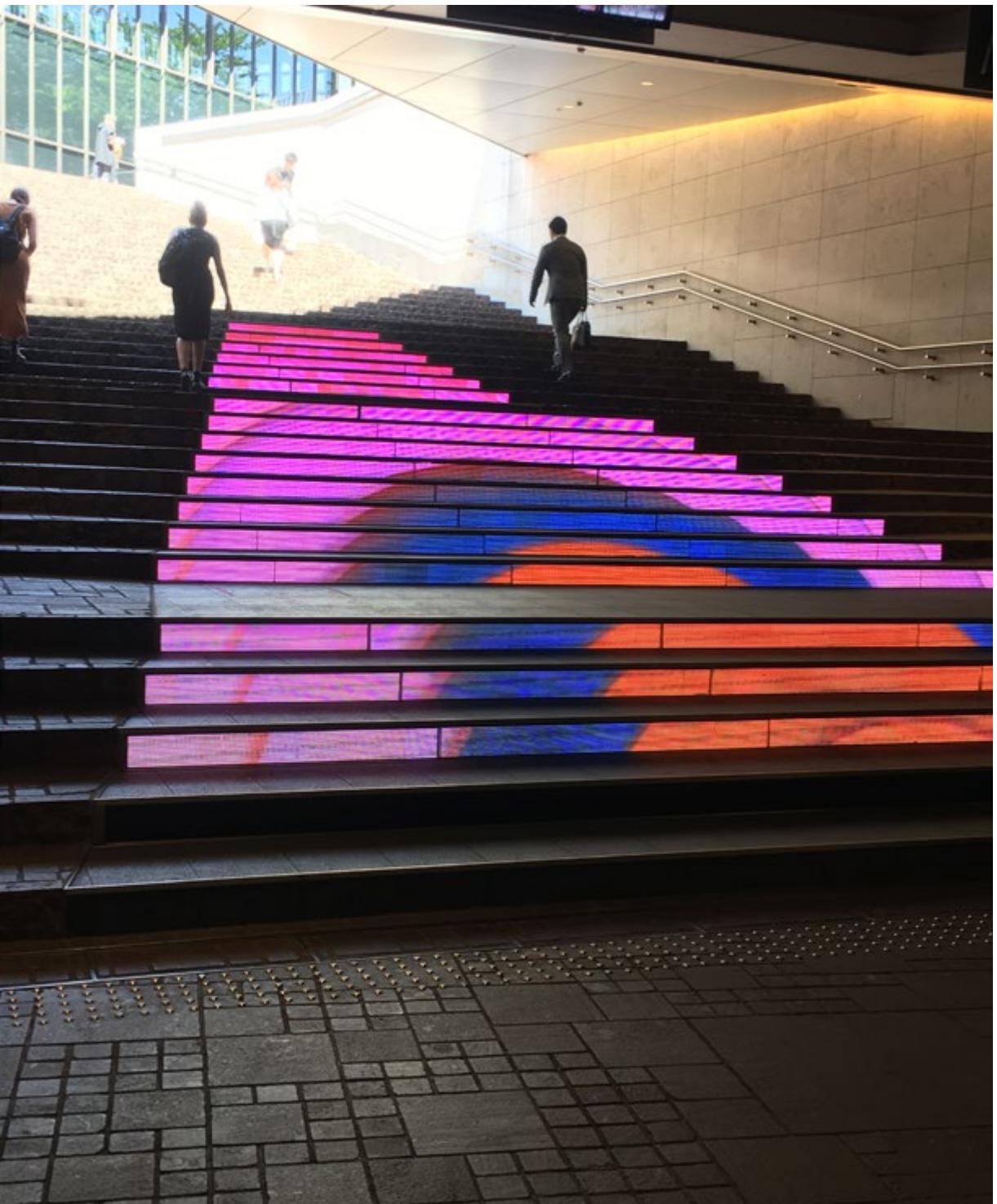


TRAVEL

Traveling is something I never had the opportunity to do before college, as my family was always busy. When I decided to pursue design and fashion, I was lucky enough to study abroad in some of the best locations in the world for these subjects: Tokyo, Kyoto, and Paris. Being in a different setting than what I was used to was eye-opening. I was exposed to so many different aesthetics and styles.

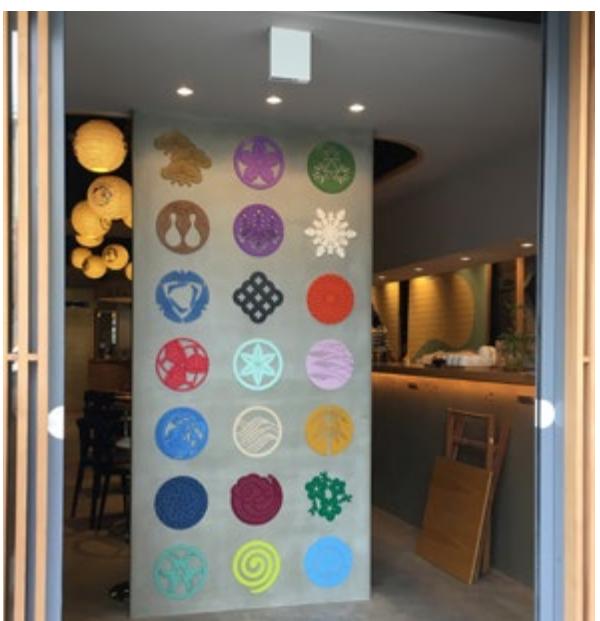
## INSPIRATION: Tokyo, Japan

I went on a study abroad program to Japan to learn design. Our first stop was Tokyo, the most beautifully laid out city I've ever seen in my life. Everything, even their 7-11s, was clean, perfectly organized, and high tech.

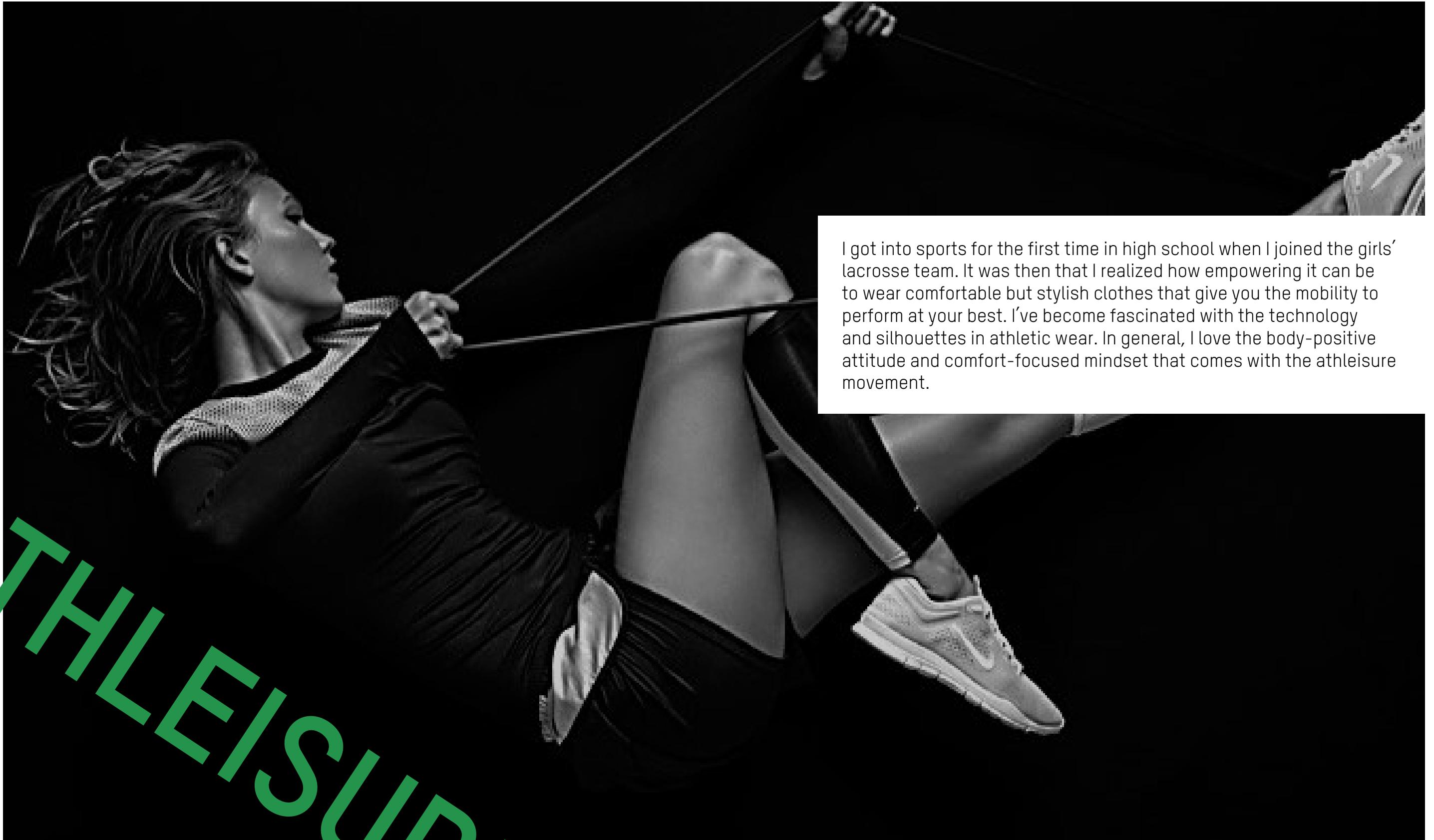


## INSPIRATION: Kyoto, Japan

*My next stop on my design program was Kyoto, far away from the busy city life of Tokyo. Kyoto surprised me with its edgy fashion scene, picturesque streets, and quaint little shops.*



# ATHLEISURE



I got into sports for the first time in high school when I joined the girls' lacrosse team. It was then that I realized how empowering it can be to wear comfortable but stylish clothes that give you the mobility to perform at your best. I've become fascinated with the technology and silhouettes in athletic wear. In general, I love the body-positive attitude and comfort-focused mindset that comes with the athleisure movement.



I've always been impressed with the drawing styles of manga and anime. It inspires a youthful aesthetic that incorporates soft, airy silhouettes and vibrant colors. I'm especially drawn to some of the more outrageous clothing styles in fantasy series. The clothes are draped in such a unique way, they practically defy the laws of gravity. When I'm feeling especially daring one day, I hope to incorporate some of these bolder elements into my style.