Magic Circles

Aurel Crockett

Asymmetrical
Organic
Eclectic
Cluttered
Dense
No right angles

Stained glass
Colored light
Found objects
Letting air pass through

Bike wheels
Folk art
Broken plates
Grout (so much grout)





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MAGIC GARDENS

1020 SOUTH STREET
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OPEN WED-MON — 11AM-6PM
CLOSED TUESDAYS

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STUDIO TOURS

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Morning Magic Tours

Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays at 10:00 a.m.
Location: Museum, 1020 South Street, Philadelphia

Explore the Magic Gardens Museum with a knowledgeable educator on a 40 minute guided tour followed by 20 minutes to explore the space on your own before we open to the public. Learn about the history of the artists, neighborhood, and artwork in a tranquil setting. This tour also includes access to the fully mosaicked basement, which is not normally open for general admission visitors.

Magic Gardens Studio Tours

Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. and other select dates
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Guided Site Tours

Mondays, Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays at 12:00 p.m.
An additional tour will be held on Friday, November 28. The museum is closed on Thursday, November 27 for Thanksgiving.
Location: Museum, 1020 South Street, Philadelphia

Explore the glittering mosaics of Isaiah Zagar at the Magic Gardens Museum and in the surrounding blocks. A knowledgeable educator will lead you on this 75 minute guided tour. This experience includes the outdoor sculpture garden, indoor galleries, several public murals, and access to the fully mosaicked basement, which is not normally open to the public. Learn about the history of the artist and neighborhood, the process for creating the mosaics, and the many types of tiles and materials found in them.

Group Visits to PMG

Location: Museum, 1020 South Street, Philadelphia

Schedule guided group tours, hands-on activities, and self-guided group visits. We offer Site Tours for students in grades 1-12, university students, and adults, Pre-K Discovery Tours, Elementary Level Discovery Tours: Look Closer, Secondary Level Discovery Tours: What is Art?, Neighborhood Walking Tours, Touch Tours for People with Vision Loss, Adult Discovery Tour and Activities, Hands On Art Activities, Self-Guided Groups, Virtual Tours, and Visionary Visits Discounted Tours.

After Your Tour

Explore the mosaic murals in the surrounding neighborhood after your tour with our **Self-Guided Walking Tour.**







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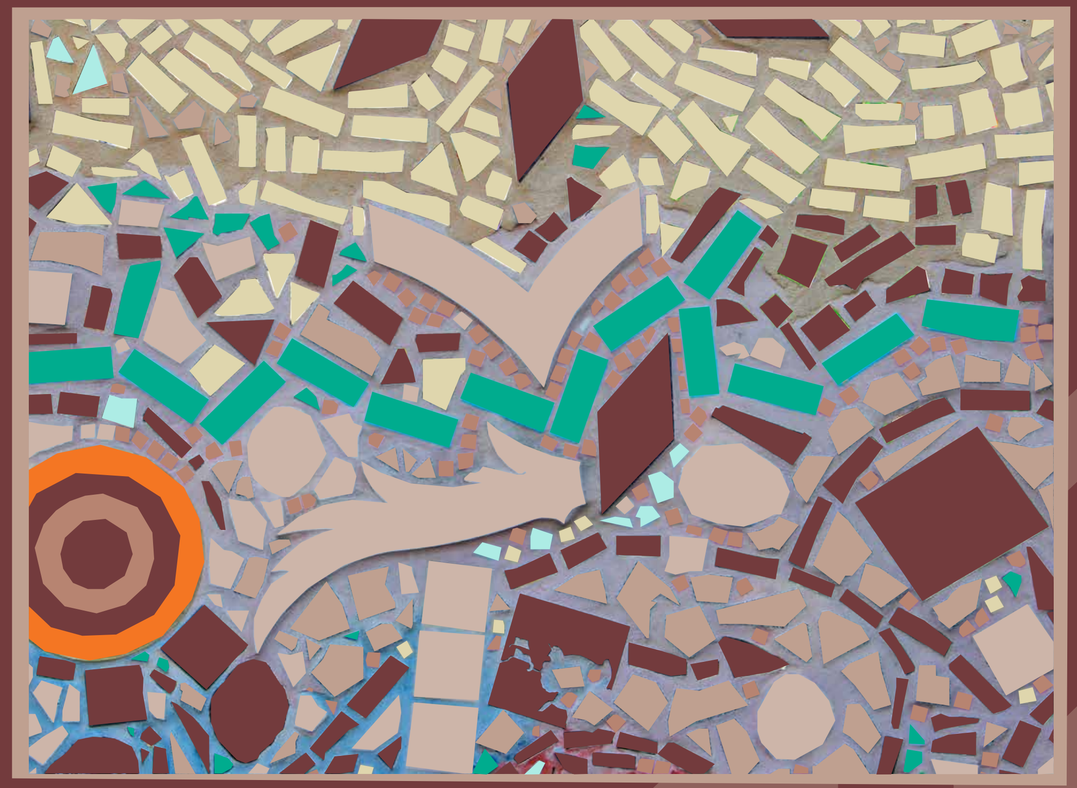
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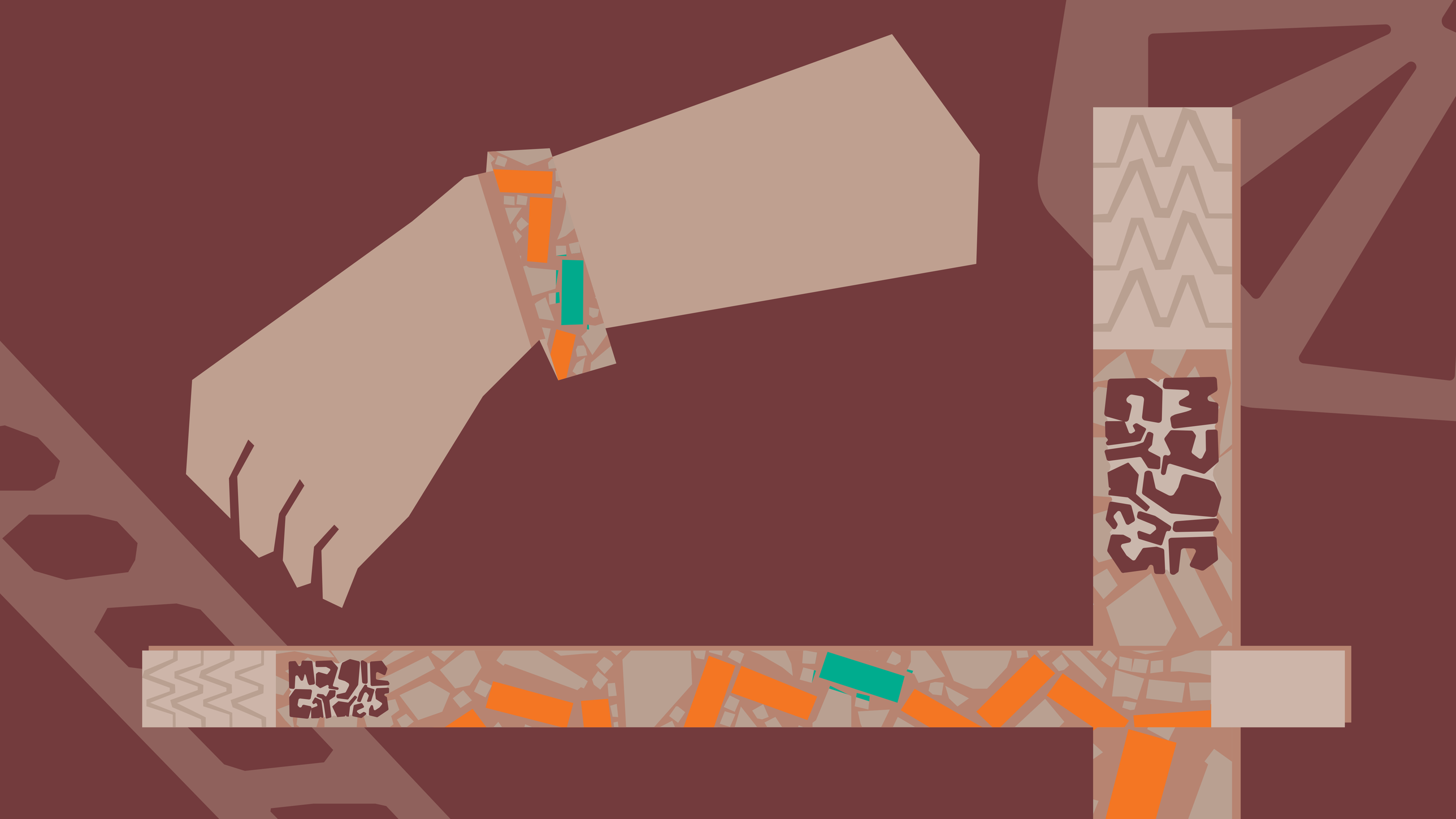






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Philadelphia's Magic Gardens (PMG) is a nonprofit organization that preserves and interprets the artwork of Isaiah Zagar and furthers the legacy of Isaiah and his wife Julia. PMG celebrates art in its many forms through community outreach, public programs, hands-on activities, exhibitions, and tours.

About Us

Isaiah & Julia Zagar

Isaiah and Julia Zagar moved to Philadelphia's South Street in 1968 and have devoted their lives to beautifying their neighborhood and celebrating art and artists. Julia opened the Eye's Gallery folk art store in 1968 and continues to run it today. Isaiah has mosaicked more than 200 walls and buildings over 50 years.

Philadelphia's Magic Gardens

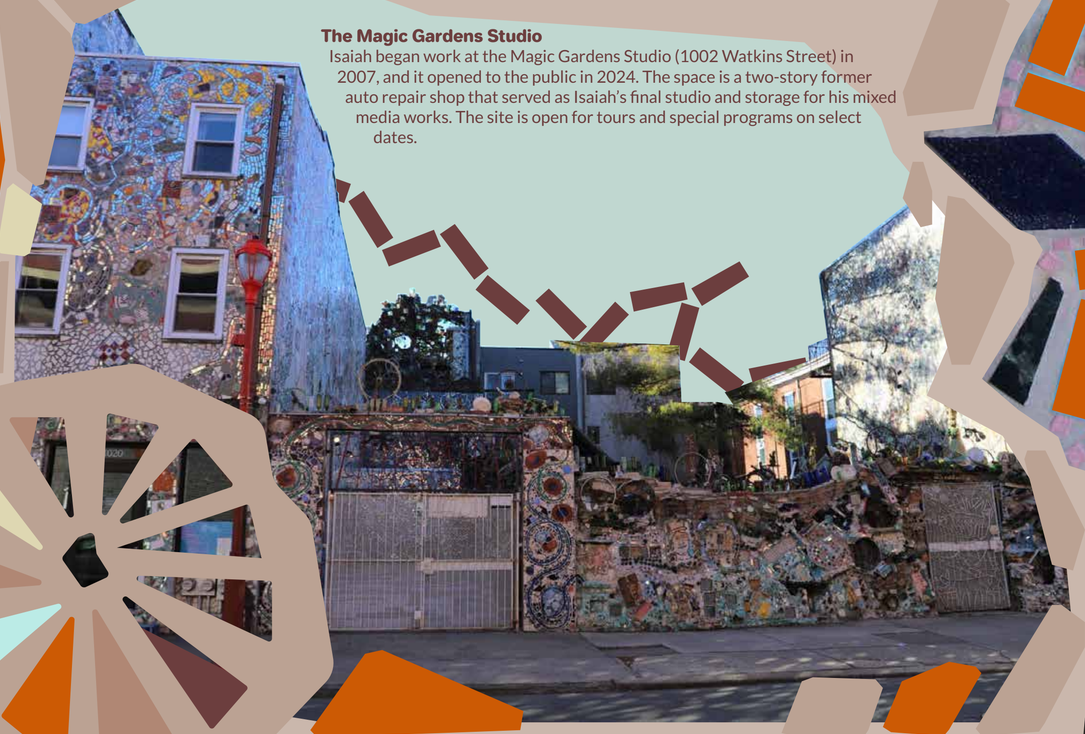
The organization Philadelphia's Magic Gardens (PMG) provides access to Isaiah Zagar's two largest immersive mixed media art environments: the Magic Gardens Museum and the Magic Gardens Studio. They are completely covered with mosaics. Isaiah used handmade tiles, bottles, bicycle wheels, mirror, and international Folk Art to chronicle his life and influences.

The Magic Gardens Museum

Isaiah began work at the Magic Gardens Museum (1020 South Street) in 1986 in a building that was his art studio. The work expanded to several adjacent properties and opened as a museum in the mid-2000s. The space is made up of two indoor galleries and a bi-level outdoor sculpture garden. The site is open six days a week for general admission, tours, and programs.

The Magic Gardens Studio

Isaiah began work at the Magic Gardens Studio (1002 Watkins Street) in 2007, and it opened to the public in 2024. The space is a two-story former auto repair shop that served as Isaiah's final studio and storage for his mixed media works. The site is open for tours and special programs on select dates.





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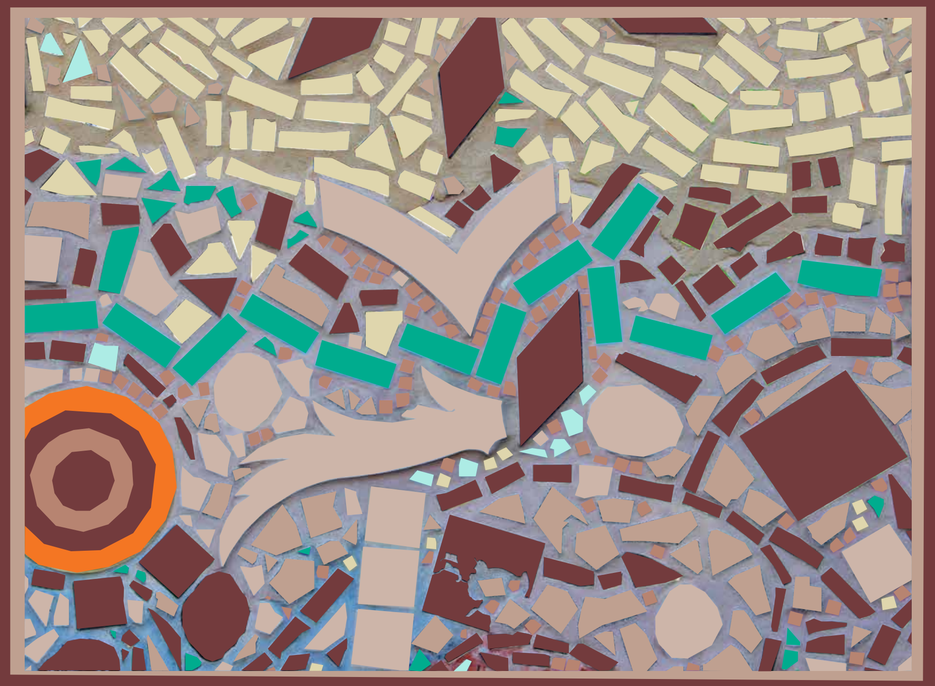
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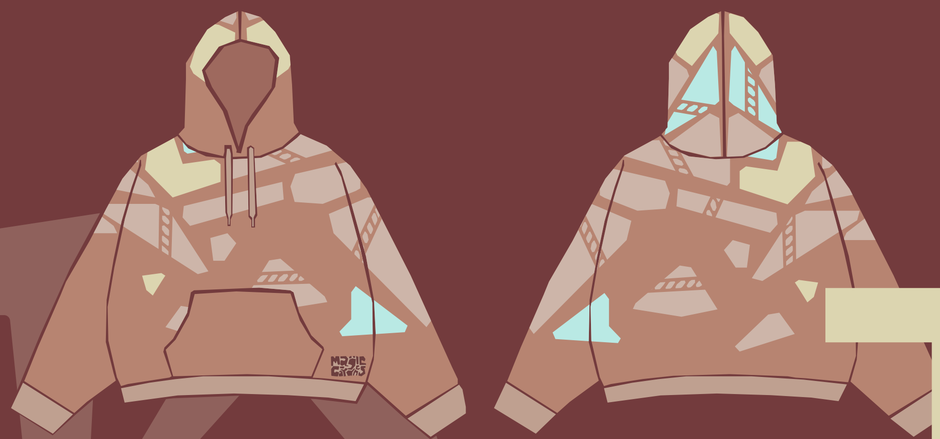



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