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Museum Online Exhibition Stands with Ukraine

Washington, DC (May 18, 2022) – The Museum of Science Fiction opened a new online exhibition showcasing digital art by Michał Klimczak in support of Ukraine's war of survival against Russia's unjust invasion. The exhibition is free to view online and features bleak landscapes of a ruined world in the aftermath of an apocalyptic conflict. The destruction and desolation depicted in these pieces portends the kind of future that could come to pass if Putin's unprovoked aggression against Ukraine is not stopped.

"Now that the unthinkable has happened and the world is careening towards greater instability and an unpredictable future, it would be prudent to prepare for more chaos and less equilibrium - especially considering China's intentions with Taiwan," said Greg Viggiano, executive director of the Museum of Science Fiction. "The global situation is likely to get worse before it gets better. Within the next few years, we may see the arrival of an inflection point that resets the world as we know it today. I hope that the Museum's Ukraine exhibition and the bleak images created by Michal Klimczak expose a future that must be forever avoided - despite persistent diametric ideologies and differing views on human rights."

"The tragedy we are seeing unfold is a sad reminder that it is always the average citizens just trying to live their lives who suffer most as a result of the selfish decisions of their leaders," said Morgan Gendel, Museum advisory board member and writer of 'The Inner Light,' the doomed-civilization tale he wrote as an episode of Star Trek: The Next Generation. "It's incumbent on us to do everything we can to force an end to the war as quickly as possible, for as we have seen in every conflict in the past, the suffering of survivors and veterans does not end just because the fighting has stopped."

Klimczak's art combines digital photographs and 3D computer graphics to create realistic photomontages. All of the pieces in the exhibit are downloadable and suitable for printing as a take-home-exhibition. The exhibition will be available on the Museum's mobile app and VR experience to be released later this year. To view the online exhibit, please visit www.museumofsciencefiction.org/ukrainians

About the Museum of Science Fiction

The nonprofit Museum of Science Fiction covers the history of the genre across the arts and providing a narrative on its relationship to the real world. The Museum shows how science fiction continually inspires individuals, influences cultures, and impacts societies. Also serving as an educational catalyst to expand interest in the science, technology, engineering, art, and math (STEAM) areas, the Museum uses tools such as mobile applications and wifi-enabled display objects to engage and entertain. For a full press packet on the Museum of Science Fiction's vision and other information, please visit: www.museumofsciencefiction.org/presspacket

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