

Selftopias

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Selftopias (Trend)

A self topia (selftopia, self world, author world, etc) is roughly speaking a setting centered around the concept of the author, the author's philosophy, the author's neurotype, or etc as a normal or dominant component of the setting's inhabitants.

There are several versions of the prompt. Two major ones are author aliens and medianverses, though that list isn't exhaustive. Many though not all selftopias include additional magic or science fiction premises.

[Here](#) is the (WIP) chapter on the wiki for selftopia settings.

Author aliens is a prompt largely rooted in the utopic fiction tradition, treating the concept of "what if my worldview was dominant?" seriously, and then expanding into the concept of "and what would an alien species that strongly meets my personally ideal biology look like?" Author aliens are all non-human by virtue of the prompt, though the focus on worldview can occur outside of author aliens selftopias.

Medianverses are settings which answer the question "what would a world look like if I were the median person in it?" Some of these answer "what world produces me as the median person," while others answer "what world is created by a people in which I'm the median person?" Many medianverse settings are alternate Earths inhabited by modern humans with no magic.

The medianverse version of the prompt became popular in 2021, starting with larwain's glowfics set in his medianverse, dath ilan. However, this was not the first instance of the prompt on the constellation (which currently seems to be ChaosMagic and Decima's author aliens, the krissan, from 2020), and there's a complicated development timeline of different versions of the prompt.

Alien Fiction Review Threads

A recent trend (as of May 2022) on the Constellation has been for people to write threads in which members of a world of theirs solicit submissions of in-world fiction (as well as nonfiction and non-literature art in some cases) from other authors' worlds and comment on, categorize, and in some cases censor them. The majority of worlds doing reviews and submissions so far are self worlds, but not all threads are limited to submissions from self worlds. This page is meant to keep track of all of those threads.

Listed in order of posting, from oldest to newest:

- [it is a beautiful day at the censorship bureau and you are a horrible medianworld](#) by westwind (world is Ozytopia)
 - Ask ozy to be added to the groupchat for the thread before posting.
- [consectetur adipiscing elit](#) by sphinx (world is Malachitin)
 - This thread is marked abandoned.
- [Call For Submissions \[Open\]](#) by Evenstar (world is Heart)
 - Open to submissions, just post.
- [\[Open\] Format Conversion](#) by Murloc (world is Antsfolk)
 - Open to submissions.
- [\[open\] softwood coniferous trees](#) by Arete/Stars (world is Trees)
 - Open to submissions, just post.
- [The First-Glance Readers \[Open\]](#) by Rockeye (world is Planet)
- [Proceedings of TILES \[Open\]](#) by Tower (world is Towertopia)
 - Open to submissions, but PM Tower for approval first.
 - Towertopia is seeking works that comply with its guidelines, read the toppost for more information.
 - Spinoff thread: [The Girl In The Black and Blue Dress](#)
- [Church of Truth International Archive \[open\]](#) by Lotus (world is Carolingia)
 - Open to submissions, just post.
- [cave novel \[Open\]](#) by ChaosMagic and Decima (world is Krisses)
 - Fully open to submissions, no need to PM first.
 - No content guidelines on submissions.
- [the moon is crumbling but that's okay \[semi-open\]](#) by Blazing Darkness (world is Shadelings)
 - Contact Blazing Darkness if you would like to make a submission.
- [\[Open\] gentle-humor illustrative-satire-pointmaking small-bites setting-exploratory-noncanon-fun medianverse-fiction-trendjumping](#) by rusalkii
- [multiversal media mountain](#) by perinoveau (world is periverse)
 - Open to submissions.
- [Surreal and Sublime](#) by celer (world is Kellearth)
 - Do not submit unless celer has finished replying to everyone before you.
- [media imports \[open\]](#) by st753m (world is Therrune)
 - Open to submissions.

- the invisible dragon in our garage is not impermeable to flour by westwind (world is Ozytopia)
 - Open to submissions by PM.
 - Seeking religious/philosophical works, see toppost for details.
- Content Begets Content [open] by Thatwasademo (world is Demoscene)
- when I was green in judgement by Alicorn (world is Green)
 - Open to submissions.
- PLEASE SEND MAGIC or fiction if you don't have any magic [Open] by Audere (world is Auder)
- Every sufficiently advanced civilization eventually reinvents TVTropes. But they still need to invent books first. (Open) by Curious Discoverer
- it is a beautiful day in Cheliox and you are a horrible medianworld romance novel [Closed] by larwain (world is Golarion, specifically Cheliox)
- the natural law is written on the human heart by westwind and spacecadet1848 (dialogue between Ozytopia and satire of Catholics)
- There's nothing out there quite like me [OPEN] by murloc (world is Girl Genius)

Separately, there have been a few threads in which authors post summaries of works from *their* world. Listed in order of posting, from oldest to newest:

- Books from Planet by Rockeye (world is Planet)
- All you thought was supposed to exist, I only suppose to exist by JiSK (world is Jiskworld)
- I write because I must by ChaosMagic and Decima (world is Krisses)
- Fiction Distribution by SparrowSea (world is Basiland)
- Auderan media [open to questions and comments] by Audere (world is Auder)
- o say can you see by InfaredArmy (world is Global Alliance)
- Exports from the TIER [Open] by Tower (world is Towertopia)
- Media from Murlocian Ants (OPEN) by Murloc (world is Antsfolk)
- Information should be shared [open] by RationalMoron (world is Ranalite)
- To explore strange new worlds, to boldly go where no caver has gone before [open] by BrinBellway (world is Brinnites)

A major precursor to this wave of threads were the interdimensional summit threads, chiefly once you have reached the summit of your own heart.

Interdimensional Summit Threads

There have been several threads depicting interdimensional diplomatic summits between various selfworlds/medianverses. The first was [once you have reached the summit of your own heart](#), featuring Firstplanet (NormalAnomaly), dath ilan (Iarwain), Green (Alicorn), Ozytopia (westwind), Bobbiverse (Bobbi), and Malachitin (sphinx). [cobra lily](#) (Green and Bobbiverse) is a breakout thread derivative of the former. These were later followed by:

- [there is always another summit](#) (The Krissan, by ChaosMagic and Decima)
- [Home is where the Heart is](#) (Heart, by Evenstar, and Homerealm, by Epheremal)
- [The Heart of the Planet](#) (Heart, by Evanstar, and Planet, by Rockeye)
- [never bring a flag on the summit](#) (Green, by Alicorn, Bicameral, by Swimmer363, Carolingia, by Lotus, and Listeners / Planet-That-We-Live-Upon, by Lethriloth)
- [renounced the hidden things of dishonesty](#) (Kastakians, by kastaka, Tetratopia, by tetraspace, Byway, by Lorec, and Zmalvipre, by Zmalvi)