

FUTURE Vision

Signals of the Future



SOCIETY

Pageants are changing, with women recognized for their physical fitness and professional accomplishments.

Madison Marsh, a 22-year-old U.S. Air Force fighter pilot, was crowned Miss America. She is the first active-duty officer from any military branch to win the title. She is currently training to be a Top Gun fighter pilot after graduating from Harvard.

SCIENCE

Researchers aim to harness energy produced by magma in volcanoes.

Scientists at the Krafla Magma Testbed (KMT) organization are planning to drill straight into the side of a volcano in Iceland to tap into a near-unlimited source of clean energy by 2026. This could help reduce our dependence on fossil fuels.



INSPIRATION

A 17-year-old student obsessed with robotics has invented a device to improve care for Alzheimer's patients in India.

The device, called Alpha Monitor, is light and compact. It can be worn as a badge or an armband. It sets off an alarm when the wearer starts to move, alerting a caregiver if the patient falls or wanders off.

“The best way to predict your future is to create it” - Peter Drucker

Envisioning: The Future of Food

Pick one of those statements, imagine, and provoke a conversation with friends to discuss such future. What consequences would it have? Would you enjoy living in this world? What would you do next?

- What if we used smart packaging that changes color when food expires?
- What if we traced the origin and quality of all our food from farm to fork?
- What if we grew our own food in 3D-printing ovens that can cook all we want?
- What if we received personalized nutrition advice on our wearable devices?
- What if we ate insects as a source of protein to reduce environmental impact?
- What if we enhanced our senses of taste with devices that stimulate our brain?
- What if we produced food in space from microalgae, hydroponics, bioreactors?
- What if we modified our genes to make us more tolerant to allergies?
- What if we grew meat from animal cells in a lab without killing any animals?
- What if we deliver nutrients and drugs directly to our cells?

Wanna share your thoughts with us?

Send us an article, fiction, image, video, or artifact!

The Question: What is a Futurist?

A Futurist is an explorer of the future! Futurists investigate how life on Earth and beyond is likely to develop in the upcoming decades.

Futurists listen to signals of the future around them. They aim to decipher the force of the future, in order to help us not to be scared and to better prepare!

Futurists do NOT predict the future, but they use strategic tools (the futurist's toolbox!) to anticipate major catastrophes but also opportunities to make things better.

Futurists love to create scenarios in the form of stories and objects (called artifacts from the future) to have us react to possible futures.

Futurists are often creative, empathetic, multidisciplinary thinkers looking to make the world a better place.

You can get a certification to become a professional futurist, but practicing futures thinking in your daily life, by listening to signals around you and envisioning your preferred future is a first step to becoming a great futurist!

Taste of the Future!



SiliconVania (2023)

2-5 players; 45-90 minutes; 14+ age

Futures Theme: 2/5

Futures-Thinking Gameplay: 2/5

Adoptability: 3/5

In the epic year of 2035, the Vampire Council is scouting for a wickedly talented city planner to turn Transylvania into the ultimate tech hub - SiliconVania!

You and your rivals are in a fierce competition to create a cutting-edge cityscape, set up blood banks for your vampire citizens, seal killer contracts, and recruit top specialists.

It's a thrilling race to present the Council with the most mind-blowing plans and transform Transylvania into a futuristic haven!

<https://medium.com/predict/top-10-board-games-for-futurists-61e7c2391661>