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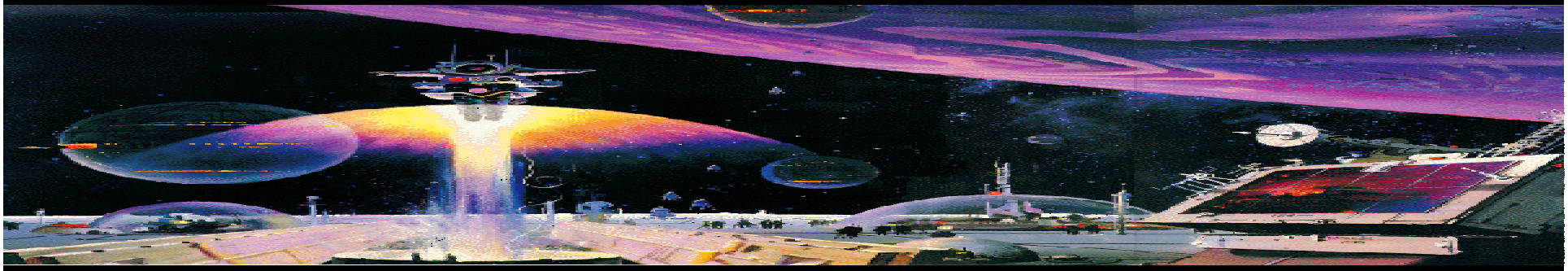
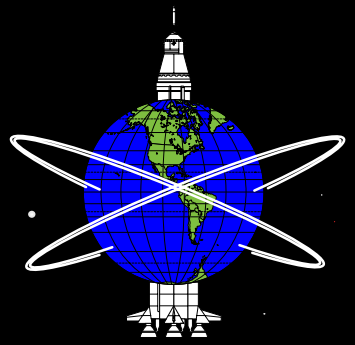




What is space art?

"*Contemporary art which relies on space activity for its implementation*"

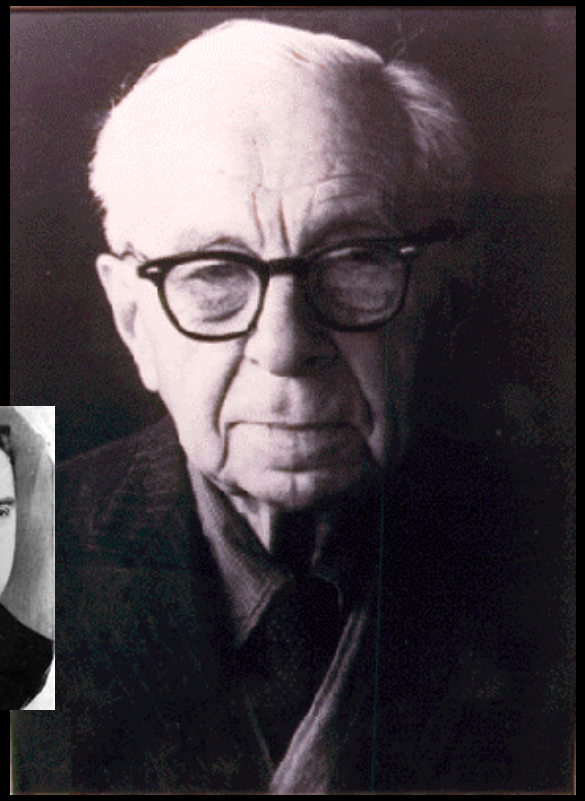
- Frank Malina

Other forms of space art:

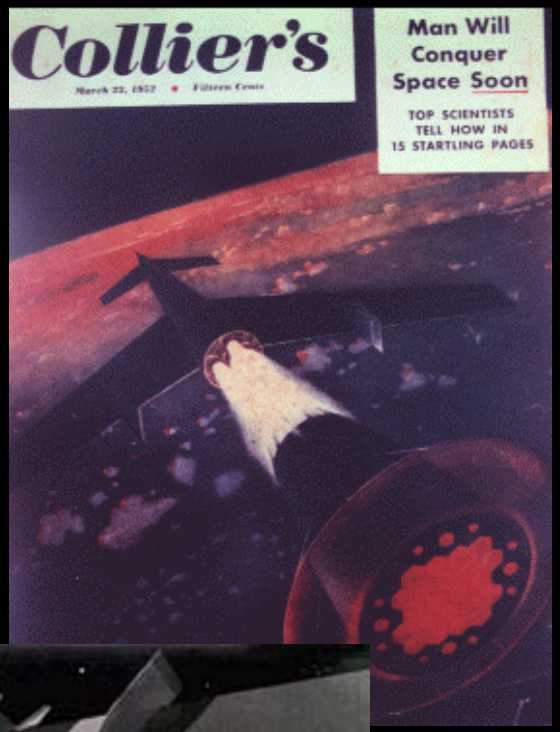
- Film and Television
- Music
- Literature
- Dance
- Sculpture

Profiles in Space Art:
Selected Contemporary Artists

Profiles in Space Art: Chesley Bonestell



- 1888-1997
- Trained as an architect in San Fransico
- Style was expansive and detailed, and Chesley insisted on accuracy
- He was annoyed by artists depicted space as fantastic and surreal by using liberal and unsophisticated application of color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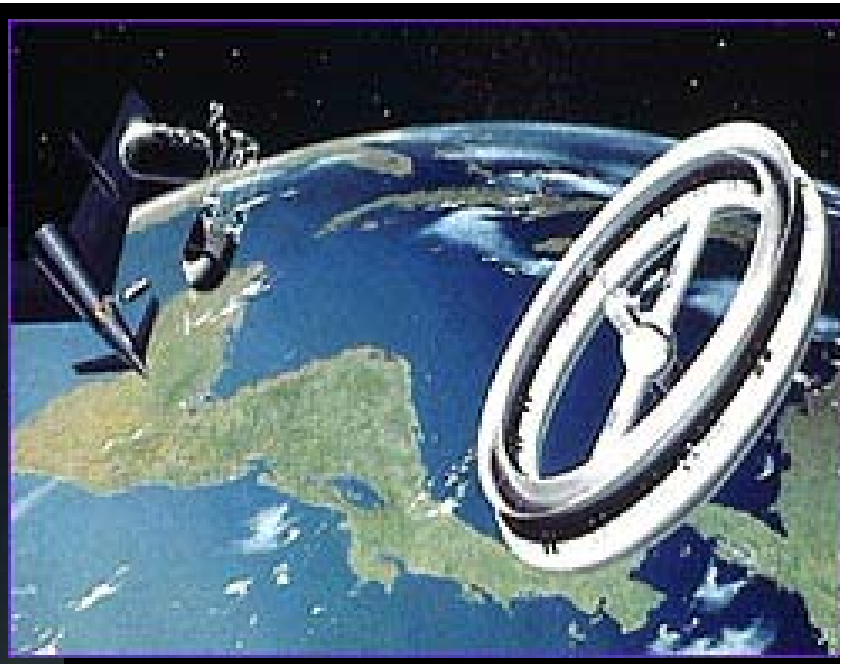
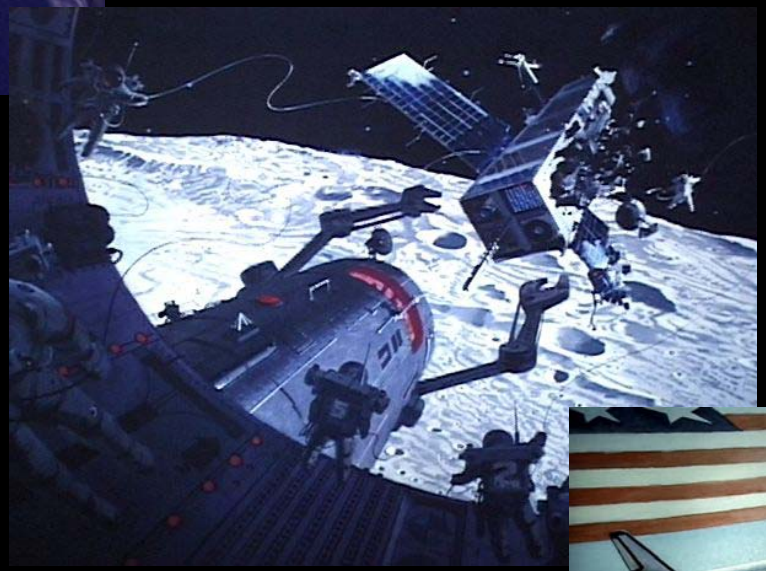
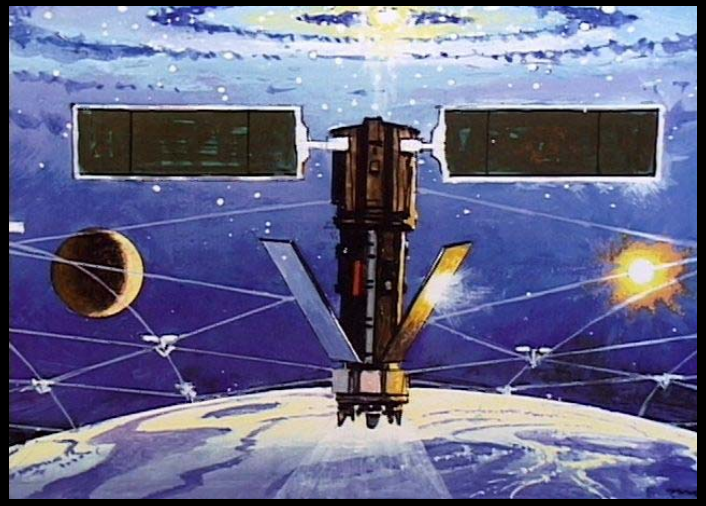
Man Will Conquer Space Soon
TOP SCIENTISTS TELL HOW IN 15 STARTLING PAGES

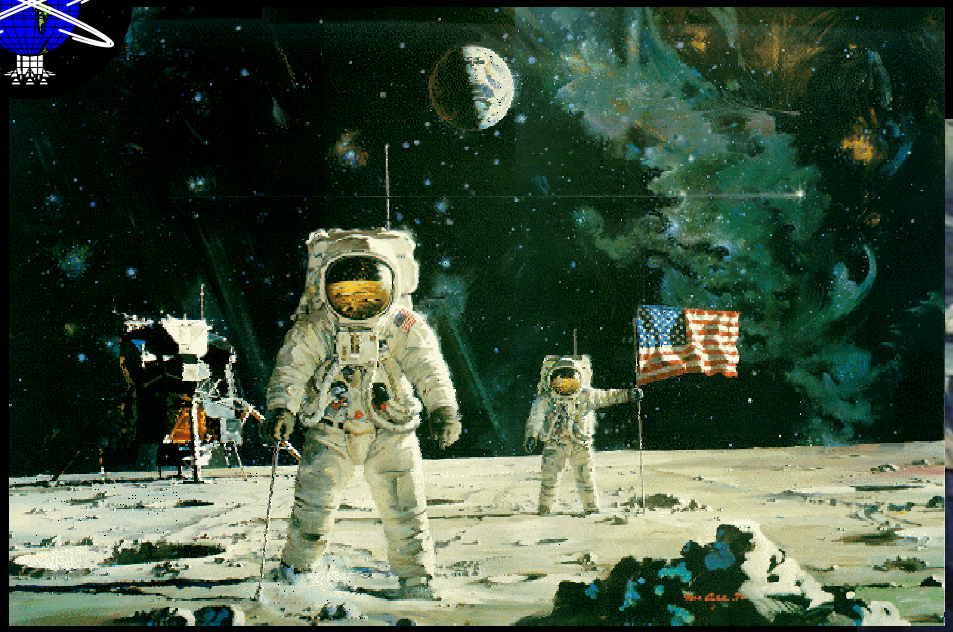


Profiles in Space Art: Robert McCall

- 1921-
- Conceptual space artist commissioned to do cover art for selected magazines
- His work is easily recognizable for its dynamic style, rich with movement and color
- Provided designs for films like *2001: A Space Odyssey, Star Trek: The Motion Picture,* and others
- Painted the famous mural in the Smithsonian Air and Space Museum

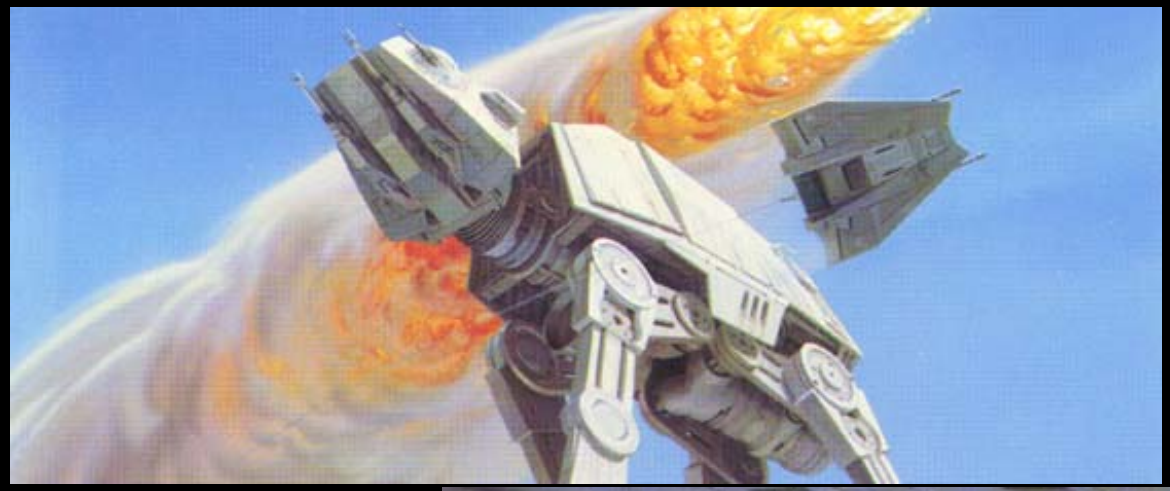


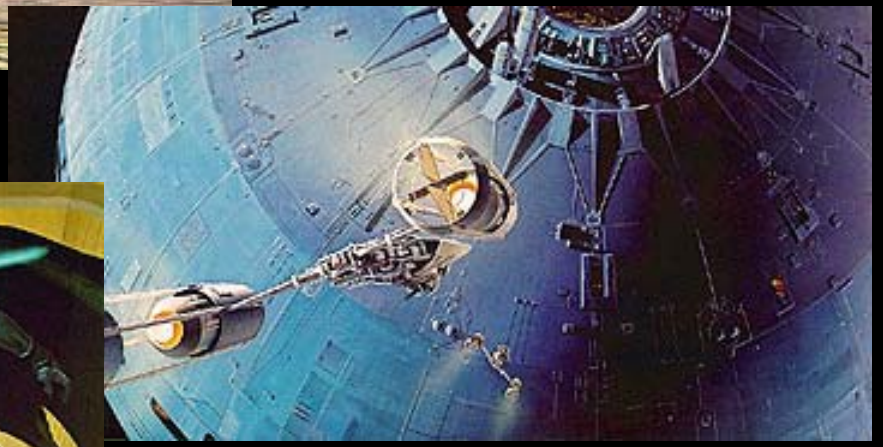




Profiles in Space Art: Ralph McQuarrie

- 1929-
- Born in Gary, Indiana
- Worked for Boeing in the 1950s, then honed his skills for film work in California
- Was hired by George Lucas to paint the Star Wars universe in 1975.
- What you see on screen would not have been possible without McQuarrie





Space Art Organizations

- L'Observatoire Leonardo des Arts et des Techno-Sciences (OLATS) (http://www.olats.org/home.shtml)
- The OURS Foundation (http://www.ours.ch/)
- Ars Astronautica (http://www.spaceart.net/index.html)
- International Association of Astronautical Artists (IAAA) (http://www.iaaa.org)

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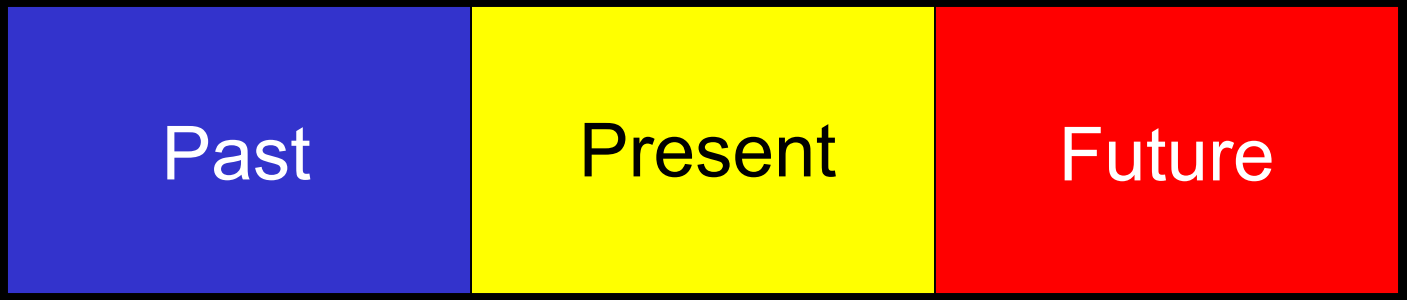
The Annual Galaxy Explorers Space Mural