



MACHINES WITH HUMAN SKIN: IN THIS TIME OF UNREST -



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WITH HUMAN

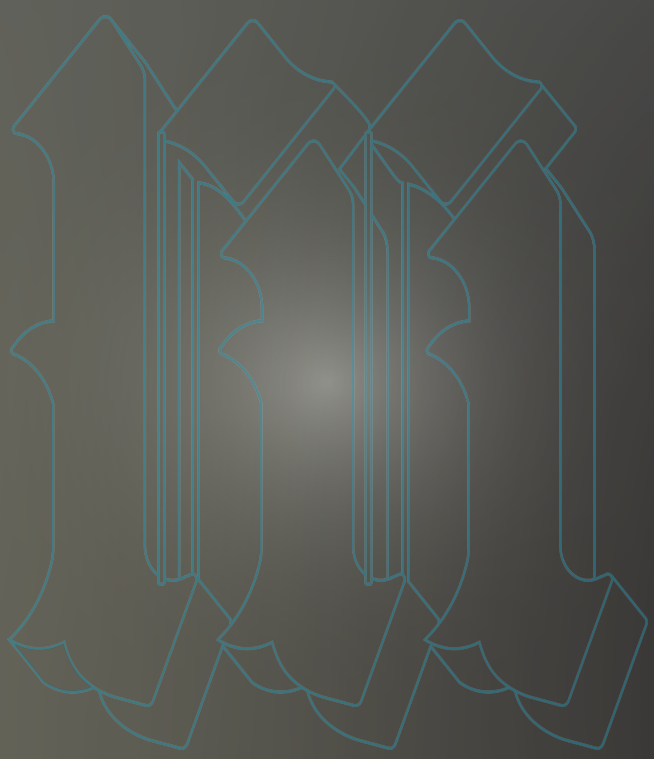
SKIN:

IN THIS TIME

OF

UNREST

1. STAY AT HOME [ISOLATE]
2. WORLD ON HOLD
3. KEEP BACK SIX FEET
4. END TIMES
5. SOMEDAY [IN THIS TIME OF UNREST]





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STAY AT HOME [ISOLATE]

THE SUN SHINES THROUGH A CRACK IN THE SHADE  
AND EVERY DAY IS EXACTLY THE SAME  
I FEEL MY MIND STARTING TO FRAY  
AND JUST FOR YOU I PRETEND I'M OKAY  
HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS SICK AND DYING  
TURN ON THE NEWS AND THE PRESIDENT'S LYING  
THERE GOES THE ECONOMY  
WELCOME TO YOUR NEW REALITY

THE LIGHT TODAY IS COLD AND GRAY  
HOW LONG CAN WE LIVE THIS WAY?  
THE WHOLE WORLD HAS GONE AWAY  
WHILE WE WERE ALL SLEEPING  
TELL ME THAT IT'S NOT TOO LATE  
WE QUARANTINE AND ISOLATE  
TELL ME NOW IS THIS OUR FATE?  
WILL WE BECOME WHAT WE ALL HATE?

NEW YORK CITY UNDER SIEGE  
THEY'RE BURYING BODIES IN THE STREETS  
WE'RE SHORT ON MONEY AND SHORT OF BREATH  
I FALL ASLEEP AND PRAY FOR DEATH  
DREAMING OF BETTER DAYS TO COME  
SO SICK OF THIS I'VE GONE NUMB  
LIFE BEFORE WAS BUT A DREAM  
LIKE WHISPERS TURNING TO A SCREAM



# WORLD ON HOLD

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YOU WATCHED HER GASP FOR BREATH  
CALLING HER FRIENDS SO SHE CAN SAY GOODBYE  
SURROUNDED BY THE STENCH OF DEATH  
BEHIND YOUR MASK NO ONE CAN SEE YOU CRY  
GIVE THE SHOVELS TO THE RICH  
SO THEY CAN DIG THE GRAVES OF OUR DEAD  
WE'VE REACHED A FEVER PITCH  
HELD TOGETHER BY A THREAD

WE STAND UNITED IN HOPELESSNESS  
A WORLD UNPREPARED FOR THIS  
SO FAR AWAY FROM EVERYTHING WE KNEW  
ALL OF YOUR GREATEST NIGHTMARES COMING TRUE  
WHAT WILL YOU TELL YOUR CHILDREN?  
WHEN THEY ASK YOU HOW IT USED TO BE  
EVERYTHING IS COMING UNDONE  
A WORLD ON HOLD FOR ETERNITY

STUCK IN A LIFE OF DISLOCATION  
WHAT ELSE IS THERE TO SAY?  
SUFFOCATING IN ISOLATION  
I DRAG MY ASS THROUGH ANOTHER DAY  
I FEEL SO COLD INSIDE  
IN MY OWN HOME I'M A PRISONER  
IT'S LIKE A PART OF ME HAS DIED  
SAYING GOODBYE TO THE WAY WE WERE

IF I COULD TURN BACK TIME STAY ALIVE  
IF I COULD DRY YOUR EYES  
STAY INSIDE  
IF I COULD CATCH YOUR PAIN  
OUR DAYS ARE DONE  
IF I COULD BREATHE AGAIN  
GONE IS THE SUN  
I'D TAKE THIS ALL AWAY  
TO GIVE YOU A BETTER DAY  
BELIEVE ME WHEN I SAY  
IT DOESN'T MATTER HOW MUCH YOU PRAY



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# END TIMES

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I'M SO TIRED OF WAKING UP HALF-ASLEEP  
TO THIS NIGHTMARE OF HYPOCRISY  
I STARE AT STRANGERS WALKING DOWN THE STREET  
SOMEWHERE ALONG THE WAY I LOST MY EMPATHY  
BEHIND OUR MASKS, WHAT HAVE WE WROUGHT?  
ALL I SEE IS THEIR DULL AND VACANT EYES  
WE'VE LEARNED A PAINFUL LESSON TAUGHT  
IT'S A WAR AND THEY'RE SENDING US TO DIE

NO ONE TO HOLD YOU WHEN IT ALL COMES DOWN  
TOUCH-STARVED AND FORCE-FED LIES  
YOU FELT SO HIGH AND NOW YOU'RE LOSING GROUND  
IT FEELS JUST LIKE THE END TIMES  
I NEVER ASKED FOR THIS

YOUR ISOLATION PUSHES YOU TO HATE  
IT'S EASIER NOT TO CARE  
PRACTICE INDIFFERENCE FOR YOUR FATE  
TO DREAM YOU WOULDN'T DARE  
DO YOU CRY FOR THE OLD WAY?  
DESPERATE TO EVOLVE AGAIN  
I DON'T BELIEVE A WORD YOU SAY  
WHEN YOU TELL ME IT'S NOT THE END

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I'VE BECOME A STRANGER TO MYSELF

TRYING TO ADAPT

TRYING TO RELAX

LOOKING IN THE MIRROR AND I'M WEARING A MASK

IT'S TURNED ME INTO SOMEONE ELSE

I CAN'T BELIEVE

STRUGGLING TO BREATHE

THAT THIS IS WHAT IT'S COME TO FOR HUMANITY

I DIDN'T THINK IT WOULD LAST THIS LONG

DID WE DESERVE IT ALL ALONG?

SOMEDAY WE'LL LIVE AGAIN

AND I WILL TAKE YOUR HAND

WE HAVE TO SURVIVE

WE HAVE TO STAY ALIVE

I PROMISE YOU, MY FRIEND

IT'S NOT THE END

NO MATTER WHAT THEY DO

YOU AND I WILL MAKE IT THROUGH

SOMEDAY WE'LL LIVE AGAIN AND I WILL TAKE YOUR HAND

LIFE DOESN'T CARE IF YOU MADE OTHER PLANS

LOOK AT WHAT THEY'VE DONE

KILLING ALL OUR FUN

AT LEAST I CAN SAY I'M NOT THE ONLY ONE

WHO'S GONNA WASH THE BLOOD FROM THEIR HANDS?

TIME TO READJUST

[ONLY IF YOU MUST]

TRAMPLING MY FAITH AND VIOLATING MY TRUST

WE'LL TAKE ALL THEIR POWER AWAY

THE REVOLUTION STARTS TODAY



# C R E I T S / T H A N K S

RECORDED IN ISOLATION DURING COVID SHELTER-IN-PLACE IN CHICAGO, IL  
ALL LYRICS, INSTRUMENTS, AND EFFECTS WRITTEN/PERFORMED BY ADRIAN HALO  
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ALBUM ARTWORK BY ADRIAN HALO

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SPECIAL THANKS: MY PARENTS AND THE REST OF MY FAMILY, RICO AND FRANKIE, MY FRIENDS  
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DISCO CREW IN LA, DARKEST BEFORE DAWN, THE LOS ANGELES LGBT CENTER, AND JAMES SCOTT  
FOR HIS FAST AND SOLID WORK MASTERING. AND TO MY NEPHEW CAM WHO WAS BORN ON JUNE  
2, 2020...WELCOME TO THE WORLD, KID!

LASTLY, THIS ALBUM IS DEDICATED TO THOSE WE HAVE LOST TO THE DEVASTATING COVID-19  
VIRUS AND TO THE MEMORY OF GEORGE FLOYD, IN HOPES THAT OUR PROTESTS AND OUTREACH  
WILL BRING SWIFT JUSTICE AND PUT AN END TO POLICE BRUTALITY AND SYSTEMIC RACISM.  
BLACK LIVES MATTER!



# GEAR LIST/INFO

IN CASE ANYONE IS CURIOUS, I'VE MADE A LIST OF THE GEAR I USE, PRETTY MUCH ALL OF WHICH IS ON THIS ALBUM TO SOME CAPACITY:

GUITARS: FENDER STRAT, SCHECHTER BANSHEE EXTREME, EPIPHONE G-400, OVATION BALLADEER

BASSES: SPECTOR 5-STRING, ERNIE BALL MUSIC MAN STERLING 4-STRING, AMPEG BABY BASS

SYNTHS: NOVATION BASS STATION 2, ROLAND JUNO 106, SEQUENTIAL CIRCUITS/DAVE SMITH PROPHET 08 REV2

MICROPHONES: AKG PERCEPTION 100, RODE NT1

DAW: LOGIC PRO X ON A 15" MACBOOK PRO WITH A FOCUSRITE SCARLET 616. AND A FEW WESTERN DIGITAL EXTERNAL DRIVES TO BACK IT UP, OF COURSE!]

VSTS/PLUGINS: ROLAND CLOUD SH-101, KORG POLYSIX VST, ALCHEMY, IZOTOPE TRASH 2, AUDIO DAMAGE QUANTA, DARK, THE PLUGIN ALLIANCE BUNDLE, WAVES F6 EQS, WAVES MORPHODER

OTHER USEFUL AND RELEVANT INFO:

[HTTPS://RADIO-DARK-TUNNEL.NET](https://radio-dark-tunnel.net) [HOME OF THE SITUATION 47 RADIO SHOW]

[HTTPS://DB4D.ORG](https://db4d.org) [DARKEST BEFORE DAWN]

[HOWARDBROWN.ORG](http://howardbrown.org) [THE HOWARD BROWN HEALTH CENTER, FOR THE LGBTQ COMMUNITY IN CHICAGO]

[WAXTRAX.COM](http://waxtrax.com)

[THEALLEYCHICAGO.COM](http://thealleychicago.com)