

Defeating the Anthropocene by Correcting Misconceptions on Sustainable Living Through

Art

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The Anthropocene is essentially the idea that humans have had such an impact on the world and made so many irreversible changes that we are now living in a human (anthro) era that will never return to how it looked before humans. This idea and the importance of our climate led me to design homes and places for people in today's changing world. For my five pieces, I did increasing amounts of research to showcase the disparity in our knowledge of building sustainable homes. For my first project, I essentially made a control piece with no research. I did this for a baseline of what drawing a room takes, and it serves to emphasize the work I put into my later pieces. For my second piece, I designed a Kitchen and looked at appliances and materials. For my third piece, I created a garden and focused on water-conservation strategies and plant types. For my fourth project, I designed the entire exterior of a home and explored ways to reduce heating and cooling costs and materials use. Finally, I looked at the interior of a home and showcased simple ways to be climate-conscious in your day-to-day. Additionally, throughout my projects, I examined how people perceive climate-conscious building and worked to address misunderstandings.