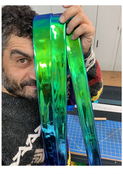

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Meet Sam Salman | Costume Designer / Art Director / Producer

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We had the good fortune of connecting with Sam Salman and we've shared our conversation below.

Hi Sam, what are you inspired by?
I have gained a lot of wisdom by listening to my elders. I have grown up by listening to people half my age. I suppose the thing that I am inspired by is the unknown. Exploration and discovery inspire me. I am also very much influenced by my exploration of the unknown and the discoveries therein. There is no rep forwarded to my design process but rather a flow of ideas from the zeitgeist and I, but a gestalt, express accordingly.

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Can you open up a bit about your work and career? We're big fans and we'd love for our community to learn more about your work.
I am an artist. I am a builder, a creator, a fabricator and a fashioner of fashions. My first client when I flipped my shop into the union was Zendaya. I was really lucky to have such a wonderful and professional client to begin with. I have worked with very notable and admirable professionals, definitely throwing a name out like Zendaya is a big deal because she is a big deal but everyone, no matter how star studded or off Broadway they may be, everyone is valid and every person I have had the privilege of working with so far has helped mold me into the better person you see today.

Let's say your best friend was visiting the area and you wanted to show them the best time now. Where would you take them? Give us a little itinerary - say it was a week long trip, where would you eat, drink, visit, hang out, etc.
I am a very visual and visual observers, and would like to go for a tour and just watch people watch, walk around and absorb the atmosphere. Other people are audio learners, where they like to listen to somebody all right about history or location or facts. For me, the best time I could give my friends visiting Los Angeles would be to take them out on a dining experience. Check out some restaurants and then go to a performance at the Hollywood Bowl. Hollywood is part of the city for some dessert or coffee. As simple as it sounds, going to a few places in town, really gives you a honest look at the cross-section of people in any city.

Who else deserves some credit and recognition?
Many people deserve credit and recognition. If I knew who were still here, I wouldn't be. So many people come and go in our lives... Sometimes we think that people are the ones that elevate us, but sometimes the exact opposite can be true. There are a lot of people in life that although I love, I had to leave behind in order to propel, progress and move forward. I'd like to thank me. I'd like to thank me for being strong enough to walk away from toxic situations. I'd like to thank me for being strong enough to walk into them and finish, leaving difficulties in the back. I've never had anybody from the Met costume guild or the 12th wardrobe at union reputed open the door and pull me in the some hoes baby. It's been me and I'm still fighting the good fight, I'm fighting it every day and I'm hoping to one day find myself with a team of like-minded people who have fought diligently and have calculated themselves, with the help of others, but ultimately themselves, to be the destination to their own craft and their belief in themselves. I believe in me.

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