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Book Summary

Chaos is brewing, between governments and stories: it's being created within the populations themselves. Resistance fighters and collaborators foment ambushes and then a merciless war. Will love be present in this terrestrial, health-related shipwreck, whose standard-bearer is violence?

The author

Aylcée Tarha, published between 2007 and 2023 under a different pseudonym, decided to address her work directly to adult readers, leaving the choice to parents for their adolescent children. I urge them to read it before leaving it to their children because they are responsible for their intellectual development. She defends freedom of expression for all.

"Any resemblance to facts and characters existing or having existed would be purely fortuitous and could only be the result of pure coincidence."

BIBLIOGRAPHY

- Love and Hate, romance novel
- The Watchtower, fantasy novel
- Clara, a Witch's Love, fantasy tale
- The Elemental Peoples, collection of tales
- Lost Stories, text collection
- Advent Farandole, calendar

DEDICATION

'To all fans of off-the-beaten-path fantasy novels with a very unique imagination.'

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- Arnold, leader of the Snowmen troop
- Dorian, Gertrude's brother
- Ernest, mountain guide
- Garoun, student friend of Lothair and Marsian
- Gilles, leader of the Burgundian troop
- Gontran, mountain guide
- Iblis, leader of the band / Marcus, undisclosed name
- The Voice, Orallynn's father
- Lothair, science student
- Marsian, student friend of Lothair
- Mathilde, friend of Dorian
- Orallynn, daughter of The Voice / Orelia, surviving aunt

Supporting Characters

- Elvire, adventurous woman
- Esmy, member of Pax-Adventure
- Fatima, Garoun's friend
- Gertrude, Dorian's sister
- Jordan-Lee, Iblis's master
- Karim, nurse and lifeguard
- Marek, emergency firefighter
- Marina, Khélyan and Thrauma's friend
- Mélissa, Lothaire's lover
- Pardickos, operations coordinator
- Patience, Essene woman
- Raquel, Elvire's friend
- Akim, Harit, Mohamad, Fatima's siblings
- Kevin, Lucien, Luigi: survivor leaders
- Khélyan and Thrauma, scout teammates
- Oscar and Pastori, scout teammates
- Rodrigue-Ariane-Victor, survivor trio
- Sylvestre and Lucas, teammates Scouts
- Véran and Voltige, scout teammates

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- La Salette, pilgrimage
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- Chaspecmont, highland village
- Clos des Aigles, alpine farm
- Esmagedor, highland fort
- Mountain of Pious Wishes
- Mortemort, Alpine village
- Partencols, fortified highland village
- Pic des Marmottes over two valleys
- Pic-Fort, mountain village
- Pitoforte, LMG hideout
- Pré des Anciens, protected site
- Rockenkit, first survivalist village
- Tunenvit, city of survivors
- Valdemare, Alpine village

PROLOGUE

Emergency Room! April 2058.

The world was changing from second to second: on this spring morning, the submission of the people was exploding through the assistance of a system that was willingly in favour of Holocaust denial. Thanks to the multiple media outlets, information decoded by constant telepathy offered a one-sided view of events. The era was no longer one of the joy of the past but of the harsh realities of an empty existence.

Traditional festivals no longer existed, or worse, were fading from the minds of some disgruntled souls. A single religion held sway, the one desired by the central leaders, the very basis of power. This current swept aside the sacred texts that had been banished in favor of new writings glorifying violence and hatred. Evil had taken or regained its place on the world stage.

Philosophy, the champion of past, present and future civilizations, opted for revolt, the maintenance of castes or sects, working for the dismantling of the human being.

A depressing journalist opened his JET (state-run television news) with a somber expression, an air of circumstance sprinkled with uninhibited LGBTQ+ sauce. The four-sided screen, suspended in the middle of each apartment, continuously broadcast, without sound, images where storms rubbed shoulders with social demonstrations, sports matches, concerts, cultural reports, gambling shows.

He droned out the day's headlines through various media: AI voice prompter, cyborg dispatch, automaton camera, flash spots. To hear, the human pressed down with his right palm and stopped with his left. It was TACT (television by remote-controlled compatible algorithms), the only possible state channel, approved each year by CIGA, the international committee of axial government.

Freedom no longer existed; the only enforced authority in effect was the political and spiritual authoritarianism imposed on every citizen. From birth, a chip was inserted into the infant's fontanelle. The Supreme Spiritual Leader (SSL) operated the system in an operational and optimal manner to ensure he had faithful collaborators at his disposal. Ordained priests obeyed a prophet or a pythia for each nation.

'Our visions will serve our masters, we are their slaves, those who define the primary basis of their laws.'

At the top of this high hierarchy were several figures, one for each executive branch, of dictatorial politics and single-minded supremacy. They were surrounded by ministerial advisers in the first chamber, military specialists, and magistrates in the second circle: no one was accountable for their actions! The second pole was surrounded by ambitious men working for the state cult.

'The health of the population must be destroyed at all costs, our laboratories are no longer making as much money, we have to reinvent ourselves!'

A hot, sweet, and strong coffee awaited the speaker in the newsroom. Giant screens were muted while the anchor delivered his editorial. Everything was controlled by a robotic system enhanced by an AI, supervised by a man, the director of general intelligence. The steaming brew filled the room with fragrant aromas, sharpening the speaker's desire to finish as quickly as possible.

The populous, if not the popular, awoke one by one inside each stunted dwelling, both in height and in living space, built in large buildings placed in gigantic complexes, built side by side, forming soulless bars, plural neighborhoods with numerous ghettos. All human origins were represented there, in these spaces without a future.

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