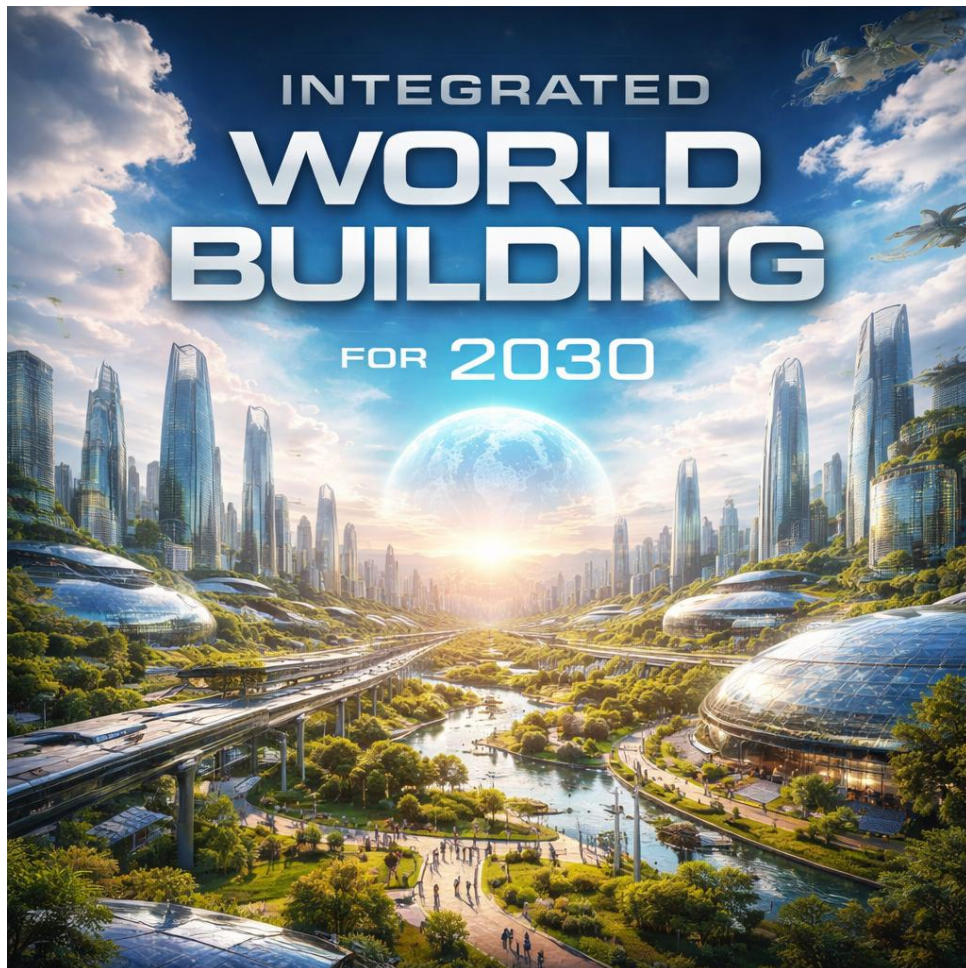


# THE LAST SHOT

*... Constructing The Quantum Palace ... Instead Of The  
Mind Palace*



## 1. INT. QUANTUM PALACE – TIME UNKNOWN

EMMA - "Do you love me?"

CHRIS - "Why do you ask?"

EMMA - "Because I don't feel it. So, tell me!"

CHRIS - "*I may ... and I may not.*"

EMMA - "Why?"

CHRIS - "I prefer your *thoughts* ... over your *feelings*."

## 2. INT. QUANTUM PALACE – TIME UNKNOWN

ANNE - "Why do you prefer free-thinking?"

CHRIS - "If one can feel independently ... then why not also think independently? .... What's the problem?"

Silence.

ANNE - "You never told me why you designed *The Grid* in such a twisted way?"

CHRIS - "Because some people wanted to play virtual games instead of making real films."

## 3. INT. QUANTUM PALACE – TIME UNKNOWN

ANNE - "Chris, I am confused ..."

CHRIS - "I didn't create a hologram in my mind for confusion ... There is enough of it in *The Grid*."

ANNE - "Nonetheless, I am confused."

CHRIS - "Hmmm ... Tell me why?"

ANNE - "I like many of the concepts in your proposed *Quantum Verse* ... too many!"

CHRIS - "Well, that makes me happy ... not confused."

ANNE - "I want to act in all of them ... but that will be an overload."

CHRIS - "More than anything ... *Time* ... is your biggest constraint."

#### **4. INT. QUANTUM PALACE – TIME UNKNOWN**

EMMA - "Chris, I think Anne is going to get all the meaty roles in Quantum Verse ... and I don't like it."

CHRIS - "I don't believe in writing only one meaty role in a film. There will be lots for you to choose as well ... just like Anne."

EMMA - "NO ... I won't do your films!"

CHRIS - "Why?"

EMMA - "Because I am NOT your *first* preference!"

CHRIS - "But ... I don't have any!"

EMMA - "That is even worse!"

CHRIS - "Well, if you like the films ... and still not do it ... Will that make you happy?"

#### **5. INT. QUANTUM PALACE – TIME UNKNOWN**

GANDHI - "How are you, beta?"

CHRIS - "Grumpy."

GANDHI - "Heh Heh! ... I came to wish you happy new year ..."

CHRIS - "That's nice ... for a change."

GANDHI - "I even like your Indian portfolio of ... this *Quantum Verse* nonsense."

CHRIS - "Why am I surprised?"

GANDHI - "But mind it ... Indians will not like it."

CHRIS - "Why?"

GANDHI - "Because, young chap ... Indians never like to question or challenge traditions ... and that's all that you do."

## 6. INT. QUANTUM PALACE – TIME UNKNOWN

Chris is packing bags for his India trip ... suddenly Dennis pops out of nowhere.

DENNIS - "Where are you going, Mr. bad-film-maker?"

CHRIS (grumpily) - "*India*."

DENNIS - "Gee! I want to go too!"

CHRIS - "Dennis, India is not *Mexico City* ... you may not like it."

DENNIS - "But I don't know that yet, do I?"

CHRIS - "I can't deny that logic."

DENNIS - "Moreover, I never figured out where *Mexico City* is ... and I don't care where *India* is located."

CHRIS - "Why don't you write a second script instead?"

DENNIS - "Why? You will reject it anyways!"

CHRIS - "*Maybe ... or maybe not.*"

