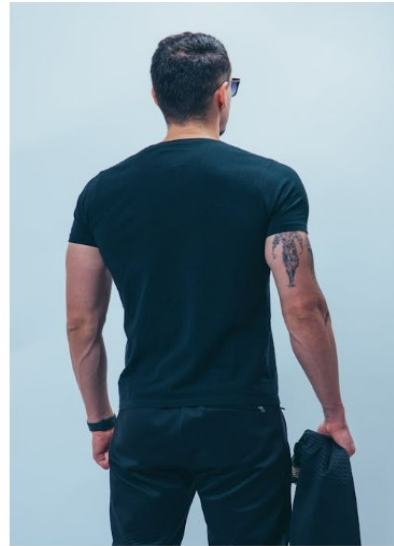This one was fun. I started out with this amazing photo[1] of a wilderness road in Virginia (which trees unfortunately don't match the Abbey Lands) then put our model for Aleph[2] (below) in this authentic suit of armor.[3] Aleph's arms came from this model,[4] and I acquired Aleph's hair here.[5] Efran was pretty much an afterthought, but I did eventually find this hunk.[6] As you can see from his photo (also below), I had to airbrush out the tattoo--most of it, anyway--but at least Efran's hair covered the sunglasses.

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1. Photographed by ForestWander on Wikimedia Commons
2. Photographed by Rulo Davila on Pexels
3. It's Pikeman's armor, circa 1620-30, at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, via Wikimedia Commons.
4. Photographed by Mart Production on Pexels
5. On Wallpapers.com
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