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n. pl. **phan·tas·ma·go·ri·as** also **phan·tas·ma·go·ries**

1.
 - a. A fantastic sequence of haphazardly associative imagery, as seen in dreams or fever.
 - b. A constantly changing scene composed of numerous elements.
2. Fantastic imagery as represented in art.

[Alteration of obsolete French *phantasmagorie*, art of creating supernatural illusions : perhaps *fantasme*, illusion (from Old French; see [PHANTASM](#)) + *allégorie*, allegory, allegorical visual representation (from Old French, allegory, from Latin *allēgoria*; see [ALLEGORY](#)).]

phan·tas'ma·gor ic (-gôr ĭk, -gôr -) *adj.*

phan·tas'ma·gor i·cal·ly *adv.*

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