Clutter 3: Who Wants to Live in a Future That is All Your Fault? – Gilbert Leiker

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McKinley Arts and Culture Center: East and West Gallery

February 9 – March 20, 2015

Reception: February 19, 5:30-7:30pm

McKinley Galleries East and West hosts new work by local artist Gilbert Leiker in Clutter 3: Who Wants to Live in a Future That is All Your Fault? Gilbert's artwork consists of super-detailed illustrations that explore a surreal and jumbled universe full of time-travel, robots and space-cats. Each piece begins as fragments of dreams, pop culture, comic books, movies, songs, literature and science. Gilbert lets the drawings unfold from his subconscious, calling on his vast memory of knowledge as a means to illustrate the innerworkings of the not too distant future. The viewer is linked to Gilbert's body of work through reoccurring elements and characters that are hidden throughout the illustrations. Most of these drawings are simple ball-point pen with some ink and acrylic paint to help carry the scene. Gilbert's goal is to tell the entire story of the universe, from beginning to end and then back again, but possibly not in that order.

"I love information. I've spent my entire life soaking in news, trivia, history, cats, movies, dreams, music, robots, science, comic books, documentaries, poetry, zombies, art, design and pop culture and turning it into a personal encyclopedia of useless knowledge. I then take that encyclopedia, shred it and tape it all back together in a jumbled mess which spawns its own time traveling, chaos driven narrative." — Gilbert Leiker

This is Gilbert's first solo show with the City of Reno. He has shown work for the last six years, continually contributing to Art BLAST, as well as Art Slaves Show and Sale at Swill Coffee and Wine Bar. Gilbert has had six solo shows, from Studio on 4th to the Pneumatic Diner, a truly local artist.

McKinley Arts and Culture Center hosts two gallery spaces. Located on the river walk, McKinley Galleries East and West show talented artists from the Great Basin and beyond. To learn more please visit: http://renoculture.com

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