



IDEAS AND THE GRAPHIC ARTS

THE WORLDS OF TOMORROW OR DID DESIGN REALLY SAVE THE WORLD?

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Pratt Institute/Manhattan
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The Future is never what it used to be. What a paradox. We envision something and something else takes its place. This talk is about a variety of futures and many pasts. Its about how design and designers played a role in shaping the image of the future and the reality of the present. Its about science fiction and design fact. It is about how design was good to us and bad to us. The worlds of tomorrow were utopias, but sometimes they didn't quite work they way we would have liked. Sometimes design was at fault. Sometimes it was the reason the future wasn't worse than it was.

For more information or to register e-mail Ellen Stedfeld at ny@gag.org or call 212 791-3400x11

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