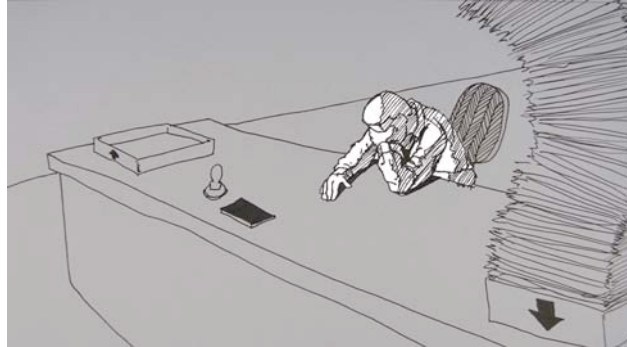


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A HAND-DRAWN ANIMATION SHOWING AT PLATFORM ARTIST RUN SPACE

The latest work by Simon O'Carrigan again displays his love of rough, hand-drawn animation, contrasting starkly to the computer-produced animation we are so used to. *Terminal* carefully considers the typical looped display of video art, and makes the loop an integral part of the work.

Showing at Platform gallery is an unassuming little animation depicting a looped day in the life of an everyman office worker. Transforming the idea of Groundhog Day into Kafkaesque heights of absurdity, the protagonist seems trapped by some form of sleep disorder, unable to escape the grind of the commute and his time in the office. The gallery space, in Campbell Arcade beneath Flinders Street station, is an ideal location for this work, as it is sure to strike a chord with many commuters as they pass by in peak hour.

At first glance, the work seems to be a very short (two minutes) loop, however if one lingers longer they will notice that as the days flow by for the protagonist, he seems to fade from existence. It leaves you wondering, how will this Sisyphus manage to complete that ever-replenishing towering pile of paperwork? As you watch the character fade away, you wonder if he has suffered as many paper cuts as the animator must have, to draw by hand the hundreds of individual frames that comprise the animation.

EXHIBITION DETAILS

Platform Artists Group Inc. ('Frame Space')
Campbell Arcade, Degraes Street Subway, Melbourne.
Exhibition Opening Night: Friday 4th September 2009, from 6pm.
Exhibition Dates: Monday 31st August—Friday 25th September 2009.

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