Near Future

The RSA/RDA lecture series Near Future brought to Houston five visionaries from a mix of professions whose creative work attempts to forecast the future. The future is typically represented in literature, film, and art as a distant fantasy—flying cars, robot servants, laser beams. But these speakers—an architectural historian, photographer, production designer, architect and curator, and artist—examine the actual present conditions of our cities and combine both what is familiar and what is unexpected to speculate about the look of things in the next generation. Belgian photographer Filip Dujardin and Oscar-nominated production designer K.K. Barrett (best known for his work with director Spike Jonze on such films as Her and Being John Malkovich) packed the Brown Auditorium at The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston.

Filip DUJARDIN, Untitled from series Fictions, 2009

The French Connection
RDA Hometown Tours

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