



Martian Odyssey was meant as an antidote to the bleakness of Everything needs Everything - a series of apocalyptic woodcuts set under the Gardiner expressway. But MO was a strange culture that grew in ways I wasn't able to predict .



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Whirligig installation at the Natural Light Window,

# Marianne's story: thread 16

Disgusting. Disgusting. There is a new infestation. The birds are all dead and no one will talk about it. It moves from girl to girl but we don't know how. The cure is poison. Everyone is suspect. I hold my hand over my nose and mouth - no good. You're lucky lying in your box not knowing to be afraid. What do you know?











martian odyssey: plague, stone lithography with digital output, 20 x 78 in. Dumbbell nebula image credit; Nasa and the Hubble Heritage Team Acknowledgment: C.R.O'Dell (Vanderbilt University).....

### "Tilness is the night side of life a more onerous citizenship. Everyone who is born holds dual citizenship.

Susan Sontag, Illness as Metaphor, pg.

## "There is no need to be alarmed."

usan Sontag, Imagination of Disaster, pg. 210, Summoning the image of he wildly overconfident policeman in a Japanese horror film.



"No fear can stand up to no patience can wear it out, disgust simply does not exist where hunger is; and as to superstition, beliefs, and what you may call principles, they are less than chaff in the breeze."

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Conrad, Heart of Darkness, pg. 58

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#### Phil Anisman my parents

\*Djivan Gasparyan for his song title Sally McKay, # 6, 8, 10, 14, 15, 19, 26, 27, 28, 30, 19, 21, Harry Glasbeek # 5 Smadar Peretz # 23, 24 Sasha Pierce # 7

🔏 and the many authors quoted in these books

This web/pdf edition of 30 booklets, connect and complicate the individual artworks in the Martian Odyssey series previously exhibited at Loop in Toronto. These booklets are intended to serve as a basis for comments on the artwork and their themes. If you want to have your comments considered for a web edition you can respond by sending an email to libbylibby@sympatico.ca with a subject heading of Martian Odyssey. I will be regularly updating the pdf's.

### Martian Odyssey filles:

Brief project description:

1. luck 2. riddles 3. the animals 4. translation 5. corps de ballet 6. The Girls 7. weave 8. net 9. slow motion 10. Big Bang 11. alouette 12. the wrong boat 13. the disaster 14. RAGE 15. white arms 16. plague 17. amnesia 18.ah.. 19. string theory 20. laughter 21, dreams 22. Rules 23, justice 24. forgiveness 25. day after peace 26. un-rebuilding 27. blue-sky-blue 28. play again 29. stars are wide 30. sing

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