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Navigator

abstract

Navigator is a circuitous Flash-based CD-Rom with Navigation of environments - of the one on CD and of the real ones depicted in the work - as its theme. At the end of each animation sequence - figurative, abstract and photographic -, choices need to be made yet the user will not know where these are going to lead.

synopsis

Navigator is a circuitous Flash-based CD-Rom that contains simple Flash Projector files for Mac and Windows. The Flash animations contain abstract and figurative imagery with digital photography. Upon start up, an introductory animation leads to 4 buttons, each of which access another set of 11 animations. At the end of each of these animations, buttons give a new choice to play a new animation. These animation sequences are called up randomly so that the viewing sequence is not fixed. To exit, any key can be pressed. When *Navigator* says "good-bye", a mouse click will lead to the credits sequence. At the very end, a start again button invites for a new viewing.

Each of these animations is related to the navigation of an environment. The imagery is based on children's drawings and digital photographs which have been redrawn and animated by the artist. At the end of each animation, the buttons - which oscillate - need to be found. The navigation of the CD-Rom parallels the navigation of real spaces in the sense that choices need to be made when moving through existence.

technical requirements

Navigator requires audio speakers, keyboard, monitor / projector, computer.
Navigator contains both a Flash Projector for Mac, and an .exe file with autostart for Windows. Both have been tested on recent versions of Mac OSX and Windows XP but should also work on older versions.