

laura jurt

Pictures that move

Laura was born in Sursee, Switzerland in 1979 and studied visual art and illustration at the Lucerne School of Art & Design. Laura Jurt bluffs her way through numerous styles, styles of which she appears to naturally have under control. With dream-like security she loses herself in the world of illustration and returns with the most extravagant bits and pieces, which of course somehow find their way into her acrylic pictures. Fumetto will not only be presenting Laura Jurt's first large individual exhibition, but will also be releasing her very first book "Einzelgänger".

The "Einzelgänger" (loners) are figures from a weird imaginary world, figures that the artist seems to take out of context in her own special way. Some of these beings are dark and dangerous, others just real strange and some seem to live their dreams – whereas others seem to be a mix between a human and an animal, freaks and monsters. According to the artist the figures are merely beings, symbols of characters, details or conditions. They're just loners, beings that don't seem to belong anywhere and who are often overlooked – even though they could tell us just so much.

The book and the exhibition are made up of a row of single portraits, portraits that in some way tell a story. They don't do this of course like a comic or a straight-line plot, but in the sense of offering the observer the chance to personally complete each loner's story. Laura Jurt basically wants to tell picture stories, but likes to wander between art, illustration and drawing and in no way wants to make it easy for the viewer or herself.

Together with Laura Jurt, Fumetto will be launching its new support-instrument, "Erstpublikation für junge Künstler". Fumetto intends to provide even more support in the future for young, talented artists and also to make the publication of their very first piece possible. Each year, a new up and coming artist will receive their own individual exhibition at the festival plus the release of their first publication.

Bibliography

"Einzelgänger" (Fumetto publishing)

Book launch/ release

Saturday, 24th of March at 5pm in "das Ding" gallery