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Dan Mills: Quest and US Future States Atlas



Dan Mills work explores the politics and history hidden in maps.

If you have ever played the game of Risk, you may have tapped into your inner imperialist. Members of the gallery talk audience with Dan Mills at the Chicago Cultural Center on Saturday, July 21st gained a richer understanding of the pieces presented in the US Future States Atlas Exhibit. He creates an alternate history for the US in his maps.

Visitors to the gallery at the Chicago Cultural Center are first greeted by a Manifesto of the U.S.E. or the United States Empire. In the world of Dan Mills creation in maps, the USA begins openly functioning as global imperialists in the 21st Century. Many of the pieces presented are re-imagined world maps with text, often handwritten, to justify the annexation of countries for geopolitical advantage or resources. He presents very logical often humorous arguments along with superimposed maps of US state maps for comparison for a greater sense of the land mass of a country.

Get in touch with your inner imperialist and visit the [Chicago Cultural Center](#) for the US Future States Atlas and Related Material from July 14 – September 23, 2012 and the Quest selection at the [Zolla/Lieberman Gallery](#) from July 13 – August 25, 2012.

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