



DAAN ROUKENS

CURRICULUM VITAE



EDUCATION:

2016 - 2018	Master of Fine Art (M FA) Program: Reinventing Daily Life Sandberg Instituut, Amsterdam (Gerrit Rietveld Academie)
2005 - 2009	Bachelor of Fine Art (B FA) AKV St. Joost, Den Bosch
2000 - 2005	Hoger Algemeen Voortgezet Onderwijs RSG Lingecollege, Tiel

ABOUT:

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RESIDENCIES:

2008 Ceramic Factory, Yixing, China

BIOGRAPHY:

Daan Roukens (1987) is a Dutch visual artist, known for his diverse and colourful abstract self-portraits. He portrays what is going on in his head in an abstract way. Roukens continuously experiences a restless feeling as a result of the tension between order and chaos and is always searching for a peace of mind, which he never finds. When he experiences too much chaos, he lets his obsessive perfectionism run free and if that structure becomes too dominant, he will add chaos again. He experiences the contradicting and connecting moment of that in-between as a sublime experience, which is expressed in his work. He feels the strong need to take the viewer into this process in order to experience the same as he does.

Through his art he gives new value to daily life by questioning contradictions that most people take for granted. Various opposing answers can coexist and together they exceed thinking in black-and-white terms. He changes everyday recognizable things in such a way that it broadens his perspective and that of the viewer.

Roukens successfully graduated with a Bachelor of Fine Art at AKV St. Joost (Den Bosch, 2009) and obtained his Master of Fine Art degree at the Sandberg Instituut (Amsterdam, 2018). His work varies from autonomous projects to commissions and he also initiates his own exhibitions. His abstract self-portraits are known by a broad audience and are exhibited at museums, galleries, shops and fairs. He lives and works in Amsterdam, the Netherlands.

ARTIST STATEMENT:

"In my abstract self-portraits I'm searching for an in-between experience to broaden my perspective and that of the viewer. From my obsessive perfectionism and an unrest in contradictions, I paint the search for a peace of mind. However, I do not believe in one final outcome and experience the moment between contradictions as sublime (such as a love-hate relationship). I work process-based towards this connecting and contradicting moment. From straight and curved lines to peace and unrest, I challenge the viewer to experience this in all layers. In order to research that in-between experience, I also use sound, video and textiles and work between art and design."

EXHIBITIONS & EVENTS:

- 2018: (Solo) Number Nine Store, Amsterdam, NL
Graduation Show, Reinventing Daily Life, Amsterdam, NL
Kinderboerder-ei, Charity Auction, Club ADCN, Amsterdam, NL
- 2017: Laboratorium voor een Leuker Leven, LAB111, Amsterdam, NL
(Solo) Park Hotel, Amsterdam, NL
Van Mondriaan tot Dutch Design, Zandvoorts Museum, NL
- 2016: (Solo) This Art Fair, Beurs van Berlage, Amsterdam, NL
Engaged Art Fair, HBB, Amsterdam, NL
(Solo) Afura Gallery, Amsterdam, NL
(Solo) Sociale Verzekeringsbank, Amstelveen, NL
- 2015: (Solo) About Lifestyle, Amsterdam, NL
(Solo) Sonos Audio Presentation, Brand Bazaar, Amsterdam, NL
(Solo) Office Showroom, Buutvrij for life, Amsterdam, NL
- 2014: Utopia Arts Festival, Lloyd Hotel, Amsterdam, NL
(Solo) Office Showroom, &MAES Gallery, Amsterdam, NL
Masterpeace Gallery, KunstRAI, Amsterdam, NL
(Solo) Office Showroom, Public_, Amsterdam, NL
(Solo) Office Showroom, Academy for I&M, Amsterdam, NL
Miscellaneous, Walls Gallery, Amsterdam, NL
- 2013: ASA Pop-Up Shop, Street Art Foundation, Amsterdam, NL
(Solo) Showroom Press Days, Public_, Amsterdam, NL
(Solo) Art Boulevard, Westergasterras, Amsterdam, NL
Opening, Holland Handwork Gallery, Amsterdam, NL
- 2012: (Solo) Store Exhibition, Phase1, Zoetermeer, NL
Affordable Art Fair, Westergasfabriek, Amsterdam, NL
HTNK Modefabriek, RAI, Amsterdam, NL
HTNK OneDayShop, TrouwGebouw, Amsterdam, NL
CBS Outdoor, Amsterdam, Schiphol, Eindhoven, NL
Artistic Affairs, Walls Gallery, Amsterdam, NL
- 2011: Museumnacht, Amsterdam Museum, Amsterdam, NL
- 2010: On The Wall, Art Pie, Amsterdam, NL
(Solo) Lux Theatre, Nijmegen, NL
Trash&Treasures, Rotterdam, NL
Glow Festival, Den Bosch, NL
- 2009: Solar Festival, Roermond, NL
Zàijjiàn Yixing, Centrum Beeldende Kunst, Den Bosch, NL
Cultivated, Galerie 10, Utrecht, NL
Graduation Exhibition, AKV St. Joost, Den Bosch, NL

COMMISSIONED:

- 2018: Kinderboerder-ei, design for charity, Amsterdam, NL
- 2016: Glenfiddich, Experimental Series, installation, Amsterdam, NL
Private collector, wall painting, Amsterdam, NL
- 2015: Buutvrij For Life, wall painting, Amsterdam, NL
- 2014: Teva, print design, Amsterdam, NL
Tommy's Toko, wall painting, Amsterdam, NL
WeTransfer, wallpaper design, Amsterdam, NL
Freitag, paper bag design, Amsterdam, NL
Public_, wall painting, Amsterdam, NL
- 2013: Lomography La Sardina, camera design, Amsterdam, NL
Private collector, painting The Low And Theory, Amsterdam, NL
Sponsored articles, written on No Rest for the Obsessed, for example
Eastpak Campaign Madrid, Bread & Butter Berlin, Shoppings for
Undscvrd, Le Typographe Brussels, Converse, Vice, ..
- 2012: McGregor, shirt design, Amsterdam, NL
ThisisMykea.com, print design, Amsterdam, NL
- 2011: Tjunk.com, t-shirt design, Amsterdam, NL
OhMyTees.com, t-shirt design, Amsterdam, NL
- 2010: Private collector, painting 'Untitled', Yixing, CH
On The Wall, wall painting, Art Pie, Amsterdam, NL

BIBLIOGRAPHY:

- 2019: Artist Daan Roukens: Expect Nothing, Appreciate Everything, weandthecolor.com
- 2018: Abstracte zelfportretten en de alledaagse orde en chaos, cultureleagenda.nl
Wat je krijgt als professionele kunstenaars eieren beschilderen, creators.vice.com
Wordt Kinderboerderij De Gliphoeve gered door eieren?, parool.nl
- 2017: Mijn vrienden noemen mij Mondridaan, Pandora 2
De perfecte patronen van Daan Roukens, MixedGrill.nl
We Are All In This Together, Klei Magazine Jan/Feb
- 2016: De Fabriek, Elle Decoration
HBB, Vice Magazine
HBB, RTL Late Night
SVB Exhibition, Het Amstelveentje
Het Gebouw, Eslevier Juist
Online Superstar, Vogue Magazine
Interview with Daan Roukens, [Designscene #005](http://Designscene.com)
Daan Roukens Mural and New Paintings, Designscene.net
Netwerken: De Fijne Kneepjes, Bo & Caro, Business Contact, Amsterdam
- 2015: Amsterdamse Kunst Kalender 2016
Floor Eizema, Buutvrij | Mural, Jadepillar.com
Merel Hille, No Rest for Daan Roukens, Blendbureaux.com
Redactie, Daan Roukens doet het anders, Cultuurmarketing.nl
Event Highlights 2014 Top 3, Warsteiner.nl
- 2014: Floor Eizema, Hotspot Mural, Jadepillar.com
Daan Rombaut, Roukens transforms the facade, Blendbureaux.com
Floor Eizema, Art | Exhibition Daan Roukens, Jadepillar.com
Anna Meijer, Daan Roukens showt zijn artistieke .. , Lomography.nl
Ciaran Woods, Talking discipline, structure and balance, Overdose.am
Maarten Mieras, Colors, Patterns and Layers, Losbangeles.com
Andreas Muller, Amsterdam Miscellaneous, Superfuture.com
Anna Meijer, Interview La Sardina DIY, Lomography.nl
- 2013: Jaap le Poole, Obsessed To Create Something .. , Colorobjects.com
[Analøg](http://Analøg.com), Analog-journal.com,
Milou Verbeke, 'F.A.L.L. Magazine', Fallmagazine.com,
- 2012: Bruce Grimes, 'Meet The Blogger', Suckerpunchpr.com
Charlene Austin, 'Meet Daan Roukens', Ajanaku.com
Alexander Tempel, 'NRFTO / Daan Roukens', Overdose.am
- 2011: Lucas Boot, 'Grootmeesters: Ontwerp en Ontwerper', Audi Magazine
Ilja Keizer, 'De Toekomst: Daan Roukens', SmileInYourFace.com
- 2010: Dennis Cup, 'NRFTO a name, a brand, a lifestyle...', Supercharged.tv

WORKSHOPS, TALKS & WRITING:

- 2009 - 2016: NO REST FOR THE OBSESSED
Online platform, blog & clothing brand
- 2016: Kunstbende, judge
Primark Press Event, tape artist
- 2015: Unfold, Farrow & Ball workshop
Thechromologist.com, guest editor
- 2014: Q-space, Notes To Myself lecture
- 2013: Scotch-soda.com, quest editor
- 2011-2012: Ajanaku.com, art & fashion editor
- 2010: Pro-sport.nl, quest editor