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Education

2024 — 2026

Sandberg Institute, Dirty Art Department

Master of Fine Art and Design | Thesis: *Auto-gaze: deconstructing the algorithmic self*

2018 — 2022

HKU University of the Arts Utrecht, Fine Art

Bachelor of Fine Art with honors | Thesis: *Adultified Fantasies*

Exhibitions

2026

Consent

Kloof United

AG Ever After

GGOBOT Festival

Limburg Biennale

Short Film Night

The Only Way Out is Through

Boring Festival

Wintercircus, Ghent (BE)

Kunsthal Kloof, Utrecht (NL)

AG, Utrecht (NL)

Sickhouse, Enschede (NL)

Marres, Maastricht (NL)

Shif—t, Ghent (BE)

Dirty Art Foundation, Amsterdam (NL)

Noord Hollands Archief, Haarlem (NL)

2025

Screening: Fakeness

Videodrome: Doomscroll

Digi Detox Shopping Network

Talking Textures

Das Leben am Haverkamp, The Hague (NL)

Espacio Odeón, Bogotá (CO)

SardegnaTeatro, Cagliari (IT)

Kunsthal Kloof, Utrecht (NL)

2024

Styx and Stones

Entangled

RUMBLE: Episode 2

Reunion 24:50

Het Slotervaart, Amsterdam (NL)

Kunstliefde, Utrecht (NL)

AG, Utrecht (NL)

Sydhavn Teater, Copenhagen (DK)

2023

Everything Phuchka

Preview Show 2023 of Durga Puja Art

Durga Puja Festival, Kolkata (IN)

Town Hall, Kolkata (IN)

<i>Not All That Glitters is Pixel</i> (solo)	Exboot, Utrecht (NL)
<i>Façade</i>	Kunstliefde, Utrecht (NL)
<i>Not All That Glitters is Pixel</i> (solo)	37PK, Haarlem (NL)
<i>1000 Shape-Shifting Chocolate Chips</i>	Laak, The Hague (NL)
2022	
<i>Ticket to the Future</i>	Omstand, Arnhem (NL)
<i>Uitfeest</i>	Art Utrecht, Utrecht (NL)
<i>Graduation Show</i>	Melkweg, Amsterdam (NL)
<i>Songs by the Creek</i>	Gallery Flyvsk, Flensburg (DE)
<i>HKU Exposure</i>	Pastoe Fabriek, Utrecht (NL)

Residencies

<i>V2_ Lab for Unstable Media</i> exchange with <i>SardegnaTeatro</i> , Cagliari (IT)	Sep-Oct 2025
<i>Durga Puja Festival, Behala Nutan Dal</i> , Kolkata (IN)	Sep-Nov 2023
<i>DOC4</i> , Haarlem (NL)	Jan-Apr 2023

Press/Nominations/Awards

Kunstliefdeprijs 2023/winner	Nov 2023
" <i>Netherland's and India's artists collaborate on Durga Puja Art in Calcutta</i> ", <i>The Telegraph India</i>	Oct 2023
" <i>Durga Puja goes global: Netherlands artists team up with Kolkata Puja</i> ", <i>The Economic Times India</i>	Oct 2023
<i>Eindexamen 2022</i> , Metropolis M	Aug-Sep 2022
Jul 2022 — Travis Geertruida Research Award/nominated	

Selected Activities

Apprentice/Master, Kunstpodium T	Sep 2026—Aug 2027
<i>RADIUS CCA</i> Youth Council	Jan 2026—present
Speaker, <i>The Hmm @H&D Summer Camp</i>	July 2026
Guest Lecturer, HKU University of the Arts	Dec 2025
Guest speaker at <i>De Belofte 20, Kunstliefde</i>	Apr 2025
Workshop leader, <i>École Intuit Lab</i> , Kolkata	Nov 2023
Speaker, <i>Makers Meet & Eat, Centraal Museum</i>	Jun 2023
<i>De Belofte 18 / Kunstliefde</i> trajectory	Jan-Jun 2023
<i>Melkweg Companions</i> trajectory	Jan-Apr 2023
Internship for Anne-Jan Reijn	Jun-Aug 2021