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# TAMARA TRAXEL

The work as a union between cultures in my life.

I play to find. The making process is playful and discovering. It is not (only) about the result, but about the process, which is intuitive. There is a lot of potential in this approach for play, discovery, research, criticism and questioning. By asking questions like 'Who are we?', 'Why do we behave the way we do?' I look for different dimensions and layers in my own history. This is reinforced by my multicultural background. I carefully build up my works to emphasize that everything and everyone is layered. It is inevitable for me to use techniques that emphasize different dimensions and layers, such as (canvas) collage and photomontage, sometimes even installations. Taking an image out of its original context and linking it to others gives it a new meaning. The resulting image can have an alienating effect, but can also be familiar. I want to offer the viewer space to pause and look beyond the first impression. Color is like music or poetry to me, it resonates with who I really am. Color gives my work meaning and perspective, but above all it can be interpreted in its own way by the viewer. A background with many faces. The work as a union between cultures in my life.

#### WEBSITES

Website of visual artist

www.tamaratraxel.com

SOCIAL MEDIA

www.instagram.com/tamara\_traxel/

www.youtube.com/channel/UC7f7hCyq8j73CB46Tn9--\_Q

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bio.site/YfSbe2

tamaratraxel.myportfolio.com/work

MEMBER OF ARTISTS' INITIATIVE/COLLECTIVE/INCUBATOR

Oudenaller & Traxel

# MEMBER OF A PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION/ARTISTS' ASSOCIATION

Haagse Kunstkring

KunstOpScheveningen (IKopS) Artery KC Art & Jazz

### **FDUCATION**

1985 - 1990	Den Haag, Koninklijke Academie van Beeldende Kunsten diploma
2023	CVP2023 Art2Life
2022	Broedplaats Storing AUB

2002 workshop schilderen Vrije Academie

2004 creeëren vanuit de bron Vrije Academie
2005 ideeën en concepten Vrije Academie
2009 Art philosophy Vrije Academie

### **EXHIBITIONS**

# 2023 members exhibition Museum Muzee Scheveningen presentation of artist of KopS Group

- 2023 Open Studio route Open Studio Scheveningen Open studio route in and about Scheveningen Group
- 2023 Pop Up Art Artspace NE36 Den Haag A pop up art shop in the centre of The Hague
  Duo
- 2022 Unravel Artspace TV05 The Hague, Netherlands The works are inspired by unraveling, loosening, untangling but also covering and disguising our lives. By asking questions like 'Who are we?', 'Why do we behave the way we do?' I look for different dimensions and layers in my own history. This is reinforced by my multicultural background. I carefully build up my works to emphasize that everything and everyone is layered. But also that we cannot be reduced to one layer or one identity. We all have a legacy that we engage with; each of us is the recipient of an emotional legacy, largely unknown, but hugely influential on our day-to-day behavior. Little by little the stories come out...

Unravel the sequel Artspace KV02 The Hague, Netherlands The works are a follow-up to the 'Unravel' exhibition earlier this year. Inspired by untangling, undoing, unraveling, covering up or disguising our own lives. The unraveling continues in this research. In search of the inner core, new layers keep appearing. Stories that intertwine with the world.

Solo

### **PROJECTS**

2016 (Green) Moments Haagse Kunstkring kunstdiner

2013 Message in a bottle De zaag kunstproject met basisscholieren van groep 6 t/m 8

#### Solo

2019	Nola Hatterman Gallery Amsterdam, Netherlands Group
2016	Haagse Kunstkring tentoonstelling Solo
2015	Haagse Kunstkring, Den Haag tentoonstelling Group
2014	De Boterhal, Hoorn installatie Group
2014	White Garden Sustainability centre Weizigt Dortdrecht installation Solo
2013	Gallery De Zaag Krimpen aan de Lek Space specific art installations Solo
2013	Haagse Kunstkring, Den Haag ledententoonstelling Group
2012	Verhaal halen, Scheveningen tentoonstelling tijdens festival Group
2012	Galerie De Zaag, Krimpen a/d Lek tentoonstelling "Kunststroming" Group
2012	Galerie De Pieter, Leiden tentoonstelling "eten" Group

# INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGES/RESIDENCIES

2021 Stroom Den Haag Den Haag /
Paramaribo, Netherlands Digital
Dialogues, in which artists from The
Hague enter in an online discussion
with an interesting artist, writer or
curator. With artist Marcel Pinas
stroom.nl

# **COMMISSIONS**

2014	woonzorgcentrum De Mantel Voorburg groot formaat fotocollages finished
2013	Woonzorgcentrum Oostduin Den Haag groot formaat fotocollages finished

# SALES/WORKS IN COLLECTIONS

2016	particulier Den Haag collage
2016	particulier Den Haag fotowerk
2016	particulier Den Haag fotowerk
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# **PUBLICATIONS**

2016 Green Moments Blurb uitgave tbv tentoonstelling Moments en kunstdiner

### **REVIEWS**

2022 Pick of the day Website BBA Gallery
Berlin, Germany <u>bba-galley.com</u>
selected by the gallery

2021 Pic(k) of the day Website BBA Gallery Berlin, Germany <u>bba-gallery.com</u> selected by the gallery

# **AWARDS AND GRANTS**

2020 Exposure awards Lens Culture Amsterdam, Netherlands 2020 LensCulture Exposure Awards Finalist

# SECONDARY ART-RELATED ACTIVITIES

2012 - vormgevingsactiviteiten2016



Moving to the light, 2023 mixed media on canvas board, 50 x 50 cm



On a clear day, 2023 oil on linnen, 95 x 150 cm



Green Note spinning, 2023 mixed media on canvas board, 50 x 50 cm



Parts and pieces and bits and loose ends, 2022 mixed media on canvas,  $90 \times 90 \text{ cm}$ 



Parts and pieces and bits and loose ends, 2022 mixed media on canvas,  $90 \times 90 \text{ cm}$ 



Parts and pieces and bits and loose ends, 2022 mixed media on canvas, 90 x 90 cm



Parts and pieces and bits and loose ends, 2022 mixed media on canvas,  $90 \times 90 \text{ cm}$ 



Long story, 2022 installation,  $100 \times 70 \times 130$  cm



Tori telling, 2022 installation, 200 x 60 x 80 cm



The past has a house, 2021 collage/ print on paper, 32 x 42 cm