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CISKA DE HARTOGH

As an artist I not only seek to create beautiful things but also to create beautiful lives and a better world. Ciska de Hartogh, who studied 3D monumental art in South Africa and the Netherlands, creates works of art that are more than purely aesthetic lines and streamlined forms. Her 'social sculptures' embody an idea about an underlying social issue that influences the overall quality of life. Central to her work as a visual artist is her involvement with the world. More specifically, the question of how man relates to himself and the world around him. De Hartogh's work is thematic, with the subject determining the visualization. With her artistic expressions she wants to address social problems, themes in which she is or has been personally involved, such as poverty, illness, a sustainable society and nature, but also mental resilience, trauma treatment and the question how people deal psychologically with life experiences, both positive and negative. If it is necessary to speak of your own signature or specific signature, then this is mainly determined by the content or theme, in which Ciska looks for the most suitable visual expression. As a result, there is a great diversity of visual expressions in her artworks. De Hartogh's work as an "art activist" initiated the Love Life festival in The Hague and received much media attention. In 2013, De Hartogh launched an interactive social sculpture project in the field of nature conservation in the Museon in The Hague, in which she encouraged children to make "Art Goodie Bags" from beach and other plastic waste. This project is continued annually with the latest edition of Nature Goodie Bags. In 2018, Ciska's paintings, photos and films were officially part of the 22nd International AIDS Conference in Amsterdam, based on her years of humanitarian aid in Africa, where she helped set up pioneering AIDS control programs in Cape Town. In 2020, Ciska was invited to exhibit her artwork on AIDS at the 23rd International AIDS Conference in San Francisco, USA. In 2010, Ciska received the Green Apple Award from the University of California for an "Outstanding Contribution to a Sustainable Lifestyle". Because of her involvement in humanitarian and social issues through the Visual Arts, she received the second Humanist prize from the Humanist Association on March 30, 2019. She is currently preparing new projects and artworks for upcoming exhibitions in 2020 and 2021.

WEBSITES

Personal Website

www.ciskadehartogh.com

SOCIAL MEDIA

www.facebook.com/Ciska-de-Hartogh-Art-1676647169251503/

www.instagram.com/ciska_de_hartogh/

www.humanityhouse.org/agenda/splinter-in-gesprek-met-ciska-de-hartogh/

haagsekunstkring.nl/activiteiten/thuis-in-verandering/

www.webstagram.me/media/BI5mUQFh49Y

www.youtube.com/watch?v=VAh07tGIWDc

MEMBER OF A PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION/ARTISTS' ASSOCIATION

Arti et Amicitiae Amsterdam Kunstenaarslid

Vereniging Haagse Kunstkring

EDUCATION

2025 - Interview of Ciska by Paul de Mol HKK

2025

2021 - Webinar Asset of Art AFK Amsterdams Fonds voor de Kunst, ING, Stroom Den Haag, CBK R'dam,

2000 - Film Documentary filming & editing Open Studio

2000 - 2005 Fine Art 3D Autonome Beeldende Kunst 3D Royal Academy The Hague/ Koninklijke Academie van Beeldende Kunsten, Den Haag diploma

2000 - 2002 Sound and Image Central Interfaculty Sound and Image The Hague

2000 - 2005 Fine Art 3D Autonome 3D Beeldende Kunst Den Haag, Koninklijke Academie van Beeldende Kunsten diploma

1998 - 1999 Drawing, Painting, Sculpting Free Academy Sassenheim

1995 - 1998 Drawing, Painting, Sculpting Ruth Prowse School of Fine Art, Kaapstad. diploma

EXHIBITIONS

2025 "De Kunstenaar wordt gezien" Vereniging Haagse Kunstkring Den Haag, Netherlands Paul de Mol leads presentation and elaboration of the work of Ciska de Hartogh as an artist with public haagsekunstkring.nl/activiteiten/de-kunstenaar-wordt-gezien/ Solo

2025 Exclusive exhibition " Thuis in Verandering" Vereniging Haagse Kunstkring Den Haag, Netherlands Exclusive exhibition by curator Tamara Traxel who invited Ciska as 1 of 6 female artists to participate haagsekunstkring.nl/activiteiten/thuis-in-verandering/ Group

2025 To Constantijn To Christian Museum Hofwijck Voorburg, Netherlands Permanent solo contribution To

PROJECTS

2020 Webinar The Asset of Art The Asset of Art Den Haag, Netherlands Participating in webinar on the empowerment of the position of artists

2019 The Hague a diverse artistic metropolitan Zeeheldentheater Den Haag Den Haag, Netherlands Initiator and organiser Art and Music Performance Zeeheldentheater

2018 Lectures and presentation on Art and advocacy around AIDS 22nd Internationale AIDS Conferentie Amsterdam, Netherlands Art lecture and movie performance

2018 Workshops Goodie Bags Nature Conservation Bergense Kunst10daagse Bergen aan Zee, Netherlands Social Art Project

2016 Nozze in Humanity Ciska de Hartogh & Kees Coolen Humanity House The Hague Den Haag, Netherlands Life Art Performance. SEE VIDEO PERSONALWEBSITE

	Constantijn To Christian since 2018 and further Solo	2014	Catalogue The Hague 3D Artists Redactie St Kunst & kunstnijverheid Den Haag, Netherlands Crowdfunding Initiator
2024	Expositie werkende leden Arti et Amicitiae en Vereniging Haagse Kunstkring Amsterdam, Netherlands Presentation artist members Group	2011	2005-2011 Initiator Love Life Festival Atrium The Hague municipaity Townhall Den Haag, Netherlands Art Festival City Hall The Hague
2023	Expositie werkende leden Arti et Amicitiae en Vereniging Haagse Kunstkring Den Haag, Netherlands Presentation new artist members Group		
2022	Zomer en Winter salons 2022 Arti et Amicitiae Amsterdam, Netherlands Presentation artist members Group		
2021	Zomer en Winter salons 2021 Arti et Amicitiae Amsterdam, Netherlands Presentation artist members Group		
2020	Zomer en Winter salons 2018-2020 Arti et Amicitiae Amsterdam, Netherlands Exhibition of new Oil Graphic Drawings and ceramic sculptures Group		
2019	Nature Goodies at Zeehelden Theatre Zeeheldentheater Den Haag, Netherlands Solo Stage Set Construction and Exhibition at Zeehelden Theater The Hague Solo		
2018	Nature Goodie Bags Julianaduin Bergen aan Zee Bergen aan Zee, Netherlands Solo exhibition in Zuid Nature Goodie Bags Solo		
2018	Kayelitsha art contribution AIDS Conference 2018 Art Project Space and Front Gallery Arti et Amicitiae Amsterdam Amsterdam, Netherlands Solo Exhibition Kayelitsha Paintings, films and photo's as official part of Amsterdam AIDS Conference 2018 Solo		
2017	Healer drawings by Ciska de Hartogh Industriele Groote Club Amsterdam		

Amsterdam, Netherlands Solo
exhibition drawings Industriele Grote
Club
[Solo](#)

2017 Update New Artist Members. Arti et
Amicitiae Amsterdam Amsterdam,
Netherlands Group Exhibition Update
New Artist Members.
[Group](#)

2016 Nozze in Humanity Humanity House
Den Haag, Netherlands Solo exhibition
Splinter and life audience performance
in co production with stage actor Kees
Coolen
[Solo](#)

2016 Burningman at Amsterdam Burningman
Radion Amsterdam, Netherlands Art
Contribution and performance
Decompression Burning Man
[Solo](#)

2016 Plastic Madonna Fab City Amsterdam,
Netherlands Co Production Artwork
Plastic Madonna Klean Fab City
[Group](#)

2016 Pamina Fransje Humanity House Den
Haag, Netherlands Mini installation
posterbed and video
[Solo](#)

2016 Kunstwerk Splinter in Den Haag
Humanity House Den Haag,
Netherlands Solo exhibition Humanity
House The Hague
whichmuseum.nl/tentoonstelling/kunstwerk-splinter-in-den-haag-ciska-de-hartogh-humanity-house-5114
[Solo](#)

2016 Bubbles Art Project Hilton Hotel
Rotterdam, Netherlands Drawings in
expo
[Solo](#)

2015 To Constantine To Christian Museum
Hofwyck Voorburg, Netherlands 3D
sculptures and drawings inspired on
Constantijn and Christiaan Huygens
[Solo](#)

2014 90 3D Haagse Kunstenaars Pulchri
Studio Den Haag, Netherlands Splinter
installatie in groeps expo 90 3D Haagse

Kunstenaars
Group

2013 To Constantine To Christian Museum
Hermitage aan de Amstel
Amsterdam/Den Haag, Netherlands 3D
sculptures and drawings inspired by
Constantijn and Christiaan Huygens in
museumshop
[Solo](#)

2013 Nature Goodie Bags Museum Museon
Den Haag, Netherlands Creative bags
made of garbage waste from beach
clean up and workshop
[Solo](#)

2012 Arms Around You Atrium Stadhuis Den
Haag 2004-2012 Den Haag,
Netherlands Solo exhibition Arms
Around You City Hall of The Hague
yearly attended by the Mayor of The
Hague, politicians and press.
[Solo](#)

2007 Splinter in bib Den Haag Openbare
Bibliotheek Den Haag Den Haag,
Netherlands Solo exhibition Splinter
installation
[Solo](#)

2006 Kayeltisha Ministry of Social Affairs
Den Haag, Netherlands Paintings on
plastic construction canvasses inspired
by the poverty in the townships around
Cape Town SA
[Solo](#)

2006 Splinter in Gemak Gemak (Vrije
Academie) Den Haag, Netherlands
Splinter installation in Gemak and
lecture about Splinter by art critic Daan
van Spybroeck
[Solo](#)

2006 Rwanda Drawings Ministry of Traffic
Den Haag, Netherlands Drawings and
video installation inspired on personal
experiences in pre-genocide period in
Rwanda
[Solo](#)

2005 Kayelitsha in Arti et Industriae Expo De
Sigarenfabriek Delft, Netherlands
Painting Kayelitsha awarded wit Arti et
Industriae award "Estafette stokje"
[Group](#)

2005 Splinter at Academy Royal Academy of Art Den Haag, Netherlands Splinter Video installation in shape of four poster pillar bed
[Group](#)

2004 Please Hug me foto's South Africa Hogeschool Den Haag Den Haag, Netherlands Foto's poor slum areas and red Cross Childrens Hospital Cape Town
[Solo](#)

2004 Rwanda Gemak (Vrije Academie) Den Haag, Netherlands Sepia tekeningen op kussens
[Solo](#)

2004 Please Hug Me The Hague Central Station Den Haag, Netherlands Huge drawings on plastic canvasses
[Solo](#)

INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGES/RESIDENCIES

2017 Burning Man The Netherlands and Nevada USA Internationaal

2010 Green Life Style Film Festival Los Angeles USA Los Angeles, United States

2010 Green Life Style Film Festival Los Angeles USA

COMMISSIONS

2024 Netherlands

2018 Arti et Amicitiae Amsterdam, Netherlands Artcontribution and lectures as Official Affiliated event 22nd Int AIDS Conference Amsterdam finished

2018 Artist aan Zee Kunst10daagse Bergen aan Zee, The Netherlands, Netherlands Workshop natureconservation Nature Goodie Bags finished

2014 Pulchri Studio/ Stichting Haagse Beeldende Kunst & Kunstnijverheid (HBKK) The Hague, Netherlands Jubilee group exhibition selected 3D Artists finished

2013 Museum shop Hermitage Amstel Amsterdam, Netherlands Museumshop commission collection To Constantijn To Christian from Ciska de Hartogh finished

2013 Museon Museum The Hague, Netherlands Nature Goodie Bags workshops finished

2013 Seafirst Foundation Noordwijk, Netherlands Artproject Beach Clean Up finished

2010 University of California USA, UCLA Los

		Angeles USA, United States Selected and awarded in Green Life Style filmdocumentary Festival finished
2009		2005-2012 Stichting Atrium/Municipality of The Hague Atrium The Hague, Netherlands Initiator of Love Life Festival Atrium finished
2006		GEM/ Gemak/ Vrij Academie Gemak The Hague, Netherlands Initiator of Art & AIDS Festival finished
2004		2004 Hans op den Beek GEM The Hague, Netherlands Contribution to exhibition Hans op den Beek GEM finished

SALES/WORKS IN COLLECTIONS

2018	Beautywaste 2 Bergen aan Zee Graphic oil drawing on polyester
2017	Industriele Groote Club Amsterdam The Netherlands Ink Drawings Healers
2016	Bubbles Art Project Paris (France) Ink Drawings Noble Thinker, Golden Thinker, Golden Navigator
2015	2015-2020 To Constantijn To Christiaan The Netherlands Permanent Publicsale at Museum Hofwijck of sculptures and drawings To Constantijn
2014	To Constantijn To Christiaan The Netherlands Public sales Hermitage ad Amstel of 3D printed portrait sculptures
2014	Pulchri The Netherlands Private sale Inspiration Ink Drawing
2013	To Constantijn To Christiaan The Netherlands/Italie Public sales at Grote Kerk The Hague sales of drawings postcards and 3D print sculputres
2010	Arms Around You Triptech Documentaries United States of America Documentary Please Hug Me, Arms Around You, Thandeka Zulu
2010	2010-2016 Sculpture and drawingcommissions Italy Ink drawings
2009	2004-2016 Portrait, sculpture and

PUBLICATIONS

2018	Ciska de Hartogh maakt Goodie Bags Bergense Kunst10 daagse in Kunstinricht Free Publicity articles
2018	Stichting Stokroos; Ciska de Hartogh - Kayelitsha Bonteheuvel 2018 Sponsor publication
2014	Haagse 3D Beeldende Kunstenaars Stichting Haagse Beeldende Kunst & Kunstnijverheid (HBKK) Selected for double page contribution artworks of Ciska de Hartogh
2011	Activistische Kunst en Levenskunst, schokkende schoonheid Sociëteit De Witte Interview with Ciska de Hartogh in De Witte blad
2009	2007/2008/2009 Gewoon Anders Vandaag is het Wereld AIDS dag/2009 Kunst in de Wijk Cobra Museum FunX Radio/ Radio TV West Review expositions Ciska de Hartogh
2007	Ciska in Felderhof - De Stille Kracht van Ciska de Hartogh Rik Felderhof Portrait interview (6 pages)
2006	Ontdekingsreis 167 kunststudenten AD/Haagse Courant Newspaper article
2005	TV Special Ciska de Hartogh, Een bewogen avonturier TV Current affairs Program Een Vandaag Television Special on Ciska de

drawing commisions The Netherlands/
South Africa Oilpaint portraits Brons
sculptures and ink drawings

Hartogh (10 min)

AWARDS AND GRANTS

2019 Second Humanistische Prijs Nederland Humanistisch Verbond Nederland Den Haag, Netherlands 2019 March Second Price (honourable mentioning) by Humanistisch Verbond Haaglanden, The Netherlands. Because of her focus on and involvement with social and humanitarian issues through Fine Art.

2010 Green Apple Award, University of California (UCLA) USA, Los Angeles, United States Green Apple Award for an Outstanding Contribution to a sustainable Lifestyle

2006 Art essay on Ciska de Hartogh by Daan van Speybroeck Gemak/Vrije Academie The Hague Den Haag, Netherlands An art essay on Splinter by Art critic Daan van Speybroeck

2005 Art Award Estafettestokje Arti et Industriae Den Haag Den Haag, Netherlands

REPRESENTATION

-- Arti et Amicitiae Amsterdam, Netherlands
<https://www.arti.nl/leden/kunstenaars/>

-- RKD Registratie 309687 Rijksdienst Kunsthistorische Documentatie., Netherlands
<https://rkd.nl/nl/explore/artists/record?query=ciska+de+hartogh&start=0>

-- Vereniging De Haagse Kunstkring Den Haag, Netherlands
<https://www.haagsekunstkring.nl/>

SECONDARY ART-RELATED ACTIVITIES

2020 - Webinar on the empowernent of the position of Artists On-going

2020 Art consultancy and exhibition AIDS Conferences

2016 - Burning Man The Netherlands Member
2019 Thinktank

2014 - Sea First Foundation advise and
2018 execution artprojects nature conservation

2010 - Contributor Green Life Style
2010 Filmfestival UCLA, Los Angeles, USA

2007 - Artworkshops Arms Around You

2014

2006 - Interactive Artprojects Nature

2020 Conservation On-going

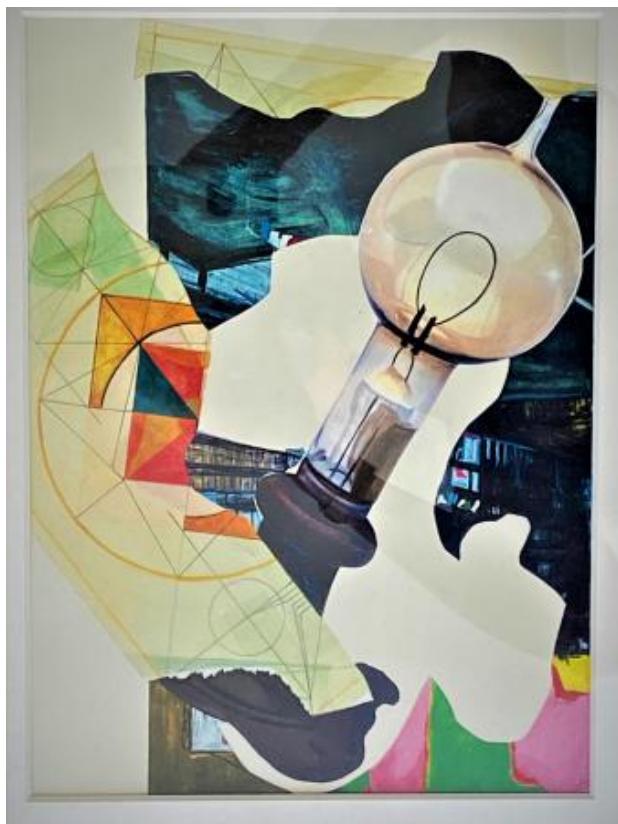
2005 - Board of Oleanworld Foundation On-

2021 going



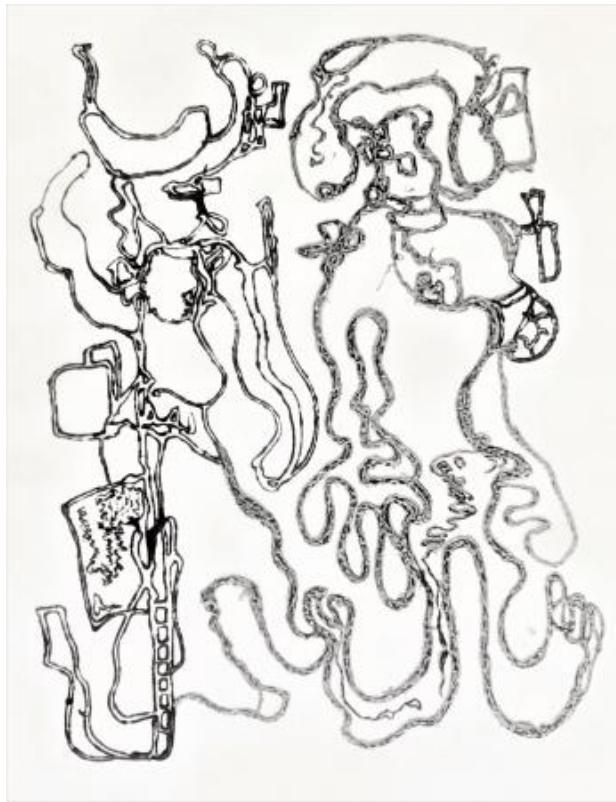
African Nuptials, 2023

Ceramic Clay, 0,4 m x 0,3 m



Wolfraam I, 2023

pencil mixed technics, 0,4 x 0,25 m



Healer I, 2022
Oilpainting on acrylic foil, 1,2 x 0,8 m



Noble Constantine, 2021
3D Print technique, 0,1 x 0,2 m



Luxury Nature Goodie Bag, 2020
Garbage material, 0,3 x 0,4 m



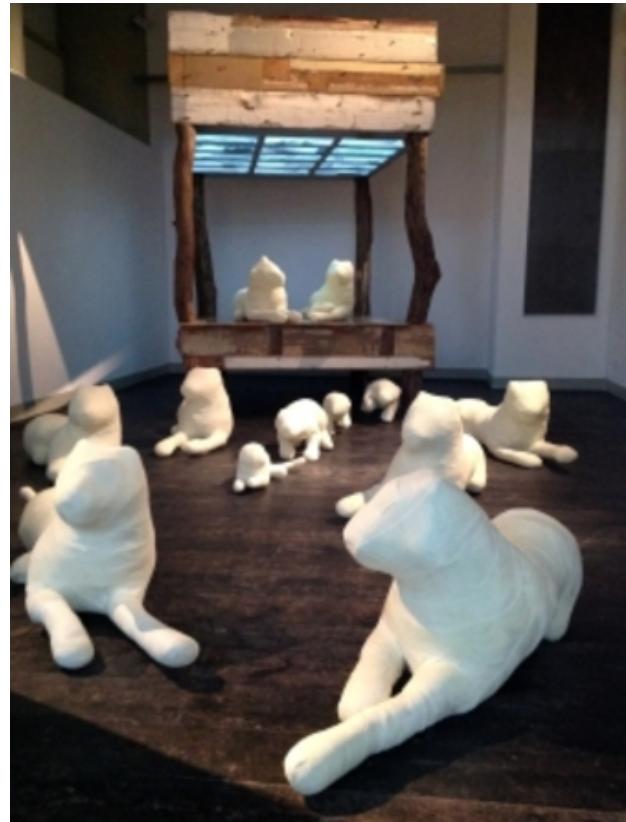
Not about You, 2016
Ink, 0,6 x 0,8 m



Not about You, 2016
Ink, 0,6 x 0,8 m



Heaven Revisited, 2016
Video Installation, 1,8 x 2,8 m



Allegory Splinter Revisited, 2016
Mixed Media, 3,2 x 6 m



Arms Around You, 2012

Mixed Media, 4 x 8 m