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 - 2025 Interview of Ciska by Paul de Mol HKK

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

2000 - 2002 Film Documentary filming & editing Open Studio

2000 - 2005 Fine Art 3D Automome 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 exhibtion 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 enpowerment 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 advocay 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

2024 Expositie werkende leden Arti et Amicitae en Vereniging Haagse Kunstkring Amsterdam, Netherlands Presentation artist members
Group

2023 Expositie werkende leden Arti et Amicitae en Vereniging Haagse Kunstkring Den Haag, Netherlands Presentation new artist members
Group

2022 Zomer en Winter salons 2022 Arti et Amicitae Amsterdam, Netherlands Presentation artist members
Group

2021 Zomer en Winter salons 2021 Arti et Amicitae Amsterdam, Netherlands Presentation artist members
Group

2020 Zomer en Winter salons 2018-2020 Arti et Amicitae 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 Exhibion 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

2014 Catalogue The Hague 3D Artists Redactie St Kunst & kunstnijverheid Den Haag, Netherlands Crowdfunding Initiator

2011 2005-2011 Initiator Love Life Festival Atrium The Hague municipaity Townhall Den Haag, Netherlands Art Festival City Hall The Hague

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 Ministery of Social Affaires 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 Ministery 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 Offcial 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 Intiator of Love Life Festival Atrium finished

2006 GEM/ Gemak/ Vrij Academie Gemak The Hague, Netherlands Intiator 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 scultpures

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 Kunstinzicht 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 Ontdekkingsreis 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 Humanistich 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

SECONDARY ART-RELATED ACTIVITIES

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

2018 - 2020 Art consultancy and exhibition AIDS Conferences

2016 - 2019 Burning Man The Netherlands Member Thinktank

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

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

2007 - Artworkshops Arms Around You

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/

2014

2006 - 2020 Interactive Artprojects Nature Conservation On-going

2005 - 2021 Board of Oleanworld Foundation On-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 acryclic 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



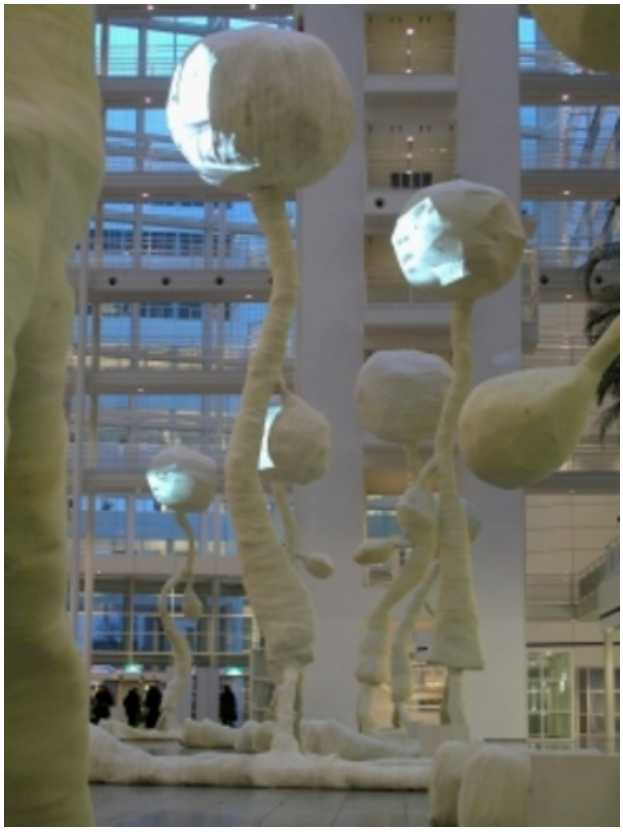
Not about You, 2016
Ink, 0,6 x 0,8 m



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