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## ELLEN VAN TOOR

My family ran a distillery and as a child I used to play within the premises. It was in the labelling department where I created my first collages, perusing all the residual material I came across. To this day I still use whatever material I can lay my hands on, e.g. wallpaper, feathers, score sheets, flowers, all kind of cloth, I am fishing for rusted material with my magnet. I use all these in my paintings, etchings, jewellery and objects. I use weatherworn materials because they contain a 'story', which helps me develop my own story. During the past 4 years I have visited India several times to enrich my art. The colours and beautiful fabrics overwhelmed me and inspired me. I experimented with new materials and print structures using a mixture with mud and glue. One of my favourite shapes is that of the mirror; within depictions of a mirror I will position images of boats, fish, floats and all kind of secrets of the sea, often a combination of underwater with above-water imagery, and usually in strict side-on views. For such works, and most of my work, the title is important as a guideline for whoever is looking at the piece. For example, the title 'The Side of the Sea', will nudge the viewer to consider a wholly unexpected point of view.

## COLLABORATION

atelier het Vermogen

## WEBSITES

personal website

[www.ellenvantoor.nl](http://www.ellenvantoor.nl)

## SOCIAL MEDIA

[www.facebook.com/ellen.vantoor](https://www.facebook.com/ellen.vantoor)

## MEMBER OF ARTISTS' INITIATIVE/COLLECTIVE/INCUBATOR

Kunstgreep 95

## MEMBER OF A PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION/ARTISTS' ASSOCIATION

Pulchri Studio, Wassenaarse kunstenaarsvereniging, Nederlandse Vereniging van Zeeschilders, Artishock, BOK..

## EDUCATION

1976 - painting and drawing Den Haag, Koninklijke  
1981 Academie van Beeldende Kunsten diploma

1981 painting and drawing De Vrije Academie  
Den Haag

## EXHIBITIONS

- 2023 Samaya Werkhoven, Netherlands  
exhibition in old cloister which is now a  
conference center  
[Solo](#)
- 2023 Zandvoorts Museum Zandvoort,  
Netherlands exhibition with the Dutch  
Sea Painters [www.zeeschilders.com/  
zandvoortsmuseum.nl](http://www.zeeschilders.com/zandvoortsmuseum.nl)  
<https://zandvoortsmuseum.nl>  
[Group](#)
- 2023 Pulchri Studio Den Haag, Netherlands  
ledententoonstelling voor en najaar  
[Group](#)
- 2023 Artishock Rijswijk, Netherlands  
ledententoonstellingen en cadeau  
exposities, winnaars artishockprijs [arti-  
shock-rijswijk.nl](http://arti-shock-rijswijk.nl) [https://arti-shock-  
rijswijk.nl](https://arti-shock-rijswijk.nl)  
[Group](#)
- 2023 Galerie Oker Amsterdam, Netherlands  
voorjaars en zomer tentoonstellingen  
[info@galerieoker.nl](mailto:info@galerieoker.nl)  
[Group](#)
- 2022 Kunstuitleen Voorburg Voorburg,  
Netherlands de tuin van de kunstenaar  
[sbkvoorburg.nl](http://sbkvoorburg.nl)  
<https://www.sbkvoorburg.nl>  
[Solo](#)
- 2022 Kunstuitleen Den Helder Den Helder,  
Netherlands tentoonstelling met  
objecten en schilderijen [kunstuitleen-  
denhelder.nl](http://kunstuitleen-denhelder.nl) [https://kunstuitleen-  
denhelder.nl](https://kunstuitleen-denhelder.nl)  
[Solo](#)
- 2022 gallery Maritime Colijnsplaat,  
Netherlands Samen met Geer Huybers  
[Duo](#)
- 2022 tentoonstelling in Hoorn met de  
zeeschilders Hoorn, Netherlands  
exhibition with the sea painters in Hoorn  
[Group](#)
- 2021 Kunstuitleen Gouda Gouda,  
Netherlands exhibition with collages and  
objects [www.kunstuitleengouda.nl/](http://www.kunstuitleengouda.nl/)  
[Solo](#)

## PROJECTS

- 2022 synergie Pulchri Studio Netherlands  
samenwerk8ing met Geer Huybers, die  
gedichten maakt bij mijn werk
- 2021 open ateliers Kunstgreep Den Haag,  
Netherlands [www.openateliersdenhaag.nl/](http://www.openateliersdenhaag.nl/)  
open ateliers

## INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGES/RESIDENCIES

- 2014 Art in Project, India. werk periode 10 dagen India in 2011, 2012, 2013 en 2014 Ben ik in Udaipur geweest om te werken
- 2011 Art in Project , India, werk periode 10 dagen bij Peter Wilms India

## SALES/WORKS IN COLLECTIONS

- 2019 Diverse particulieren Nederland, Nederland Collages/etsen/sieraden/objecten

## AWARDS AND GRANTS

- 2013 1e prijs Artishockprijs. Galerie Artishock Rijswijk, Netherlands
- 2012 Genomineerd voor de jaarlijkse Artishock prijs Galerie Artishock Rijswijk, Netherlands

## COMMISSIONS

- 2017 durven, doen, over de angst heen stappen Rotary Hoofddorp, Netherlands present ( art work) for the guest speakers at Rotary evenings finished
- 2016 present for Rotary presentations Rotary Hoofddorp, Netherlands Present for Rotary presentations finished
- 2015 duits bedrijf Duitsland serie objecten in lijst finished
- 2014 particulier Den Haag Afscheidscadeau arts finished
- 2013 Juliana Kinderziekenhuis Den Haag, Nederland Afscheidscadeau kinder arts finished

## PUBLICATIONS

- 2023 nog onbekend Book De Nederlandse vereniging van Zeeschilders Netherlands Kunstenaarsboek
- 2015 kunstdoos van 20 jaar kunstgreep Kunstgreep doos in oplage van 60 met werk van alle kunstgreep kunstenaars
- 2014 Dutch light sails to New York Nederlandse vereniging van Zeeschilders Catalogus bij expositie
- 2013 Ellen van Toor Klokhuis Gebruik van waardeloze materialen

## SECONDARY ART-RELATED ACTIVITIES

- 2021 - -- voorzitter Stichting Kunstgreep 95 On-going
- 2018 - selectie commissie galerie Artishock On-going  
2021
- 1999 - Selectie commissie kunstuitleen Voorburg  
2021 On-going



storm, 2023  
collage, 80x80



3 sisters, 2023  
gemengd, 80x80



door de nacht, 2023  
gemengd, 38x38



ondiepten, 2023  
collage, 43x43



de zeemaderlief, 2023  
mixed, 25x25



tocht, 2023  
mixed, 35x80



handgrepen, 2023  
assemblage, divers



ketting met sneeuwklokjes, 2023  
laminated flowers, 80 cm



de 10000 dingen, 2022  
gemengd/collage, 50x150



zeespiegel, 2022  
assemblage, 42x60