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NIELS JANSSEN

Art is life

My artistic belief is that life in all its aspects is the subject matter of art. All experiences big and small, from the present or the past can find their way into my drawings, as long as they are persistent enough. These experiences-memories, emotions, observations and so on are the building blocks of my compositions. Psychography The word psychography consists of the Greek psyche; mind ,soul, consciousness and grafein; to write, describe, delineate. A precipitation of the mind is a psychograph. To my knowledge this term did not yet exist, but that's probably inaccurate. I thought it up -after a brainstorm- because my works are quite often associated with surrealism, but this movement is very much focused on the subconscious, while I also draw and write fully conscious. In the mind all kinds of stuff is constantly battling for priority: The (world)news, memories, associations, emotions, banalities, impulses, inspiring and intimidating examples from art history, the whims of the art world today, politics, the tension between world views, shopping lists, and so on, in arbitrary order. The mind does not have one point of view, concept or emblem, but very many, not seldomly announced in inopportune ways and sometimes grown together. All these memories and impressions stretch way back out in time making the wealth of the consciousness seem almost inexhaustible. As an artist I like to submerge myself in these riches, but also in the creation of a synthesis of all these elements. In the totality of all the elements drawn over and next to each other I try to find an esthetic that is more 'abstract'. By the multi-layering that grows after I while and by allowing coincidence to play a part -for instance by drawing up side down to lose a sense of representation- new shapes and ideas emerge, but also an 'abstract' dynamism. The choices I make to make this dynamism as compelling as possible are made by intuition and I think this is the most fascinating aspect of my work. Intuition, understood as: Acces to knowledge and ability by means unknown.

WEBSITES

personal website

www.nielsjanssen.nl

digital platform for galleries

galleryviewer.com

SOCIAL MEDIA

www.facebook.com/niels.janssen.75

www.instagram.com/niels_janssen_artist/

MEMBER OF ARTISTS' INITIATIVE/COLLECTIVE/INCUBATOR

voorheen: Stichting Het Micromecenaat

MEMBER OF A PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION/ARTISTS' ASSOCIATION

Pulchri Studio, Den Haag

Coöperatie DE VAK, Delft

EDUCATION

1992 - drawing, painting, graphics Den Haag,
1996 Koninklijke Academie van Beeldende
Kunsten diploma

EXHIBITIONS

2026 Pulchri Large Pulchri Studio The Hague,
Netherlands Large works by Pulchri members
www.pulchri.nl/nl/tentoonstellingen/pulchri-studio-in-het-groot/
Group

2026 Small works Pulchri Studio The Hague, Netherlands
Small works by members of Pulchri
[www.pulchri.nl/nl/tentoonstellingen/klein-formaat-](http://www.pulchri.nl/nl/tentoonstellingen/klein-formaat/)

INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGES/RESIDENCIES

2009 Ambassade van Maleisie

[vitrines-12/](#)

Group

- 2025 EXI Show The Crypt Gallery Londen, United Kingdom Existentialistische expositie/evenement
[www.exi.show/](#)
Group
- 2025 L'Age D'Or Hoxton Arches Londen, United Kingdom Surrealistische expositie/evenement
[lagedorevent.com/london-hoxton-arches/](#)
Group
- 2025 Voorjaarssalon Pulchri Studio Den Haag, Netherlands Ledententoonstelling waarbij ik de Jacob Hartogprijs heb gewonnen
[www.pulchri.nl/nl/tentoonstellingen/voorjaarssalon-jacob-hartog-prijs-2025/](#)
Group
- 2025 Tekenkabinet Gallery ArtSingel 100 Amsterdam, Netherlands groepsexpositie tekenkunst
[www.tekenkabinet.nl/](#)
Group
- 2025 The Big Draw ACEC (Apeldoorn Centre for Contemporary Culture) Apeldoorn, NL, Netherlands Retrospective in the context of the international drawing festival "the Big Draw", also with works by Danielle Lemaire, Wilma Stegeman, Patricia Paludanus, Diederik Gerlach, Martyn F. Overweel and Marc Fabels [acec.nl/agenda/the-big-draw-2025/](#)
Solo
- 2025 Jacob Hartog Prize 2025 Pulchri Studio The Hague, Netherlands Trio-exhibition after winning the Jacob Hartog Prize 2025 [www.jacobhartog.nl/](#)
Group
- 2025 Drawing Cabinet POP UP Dapperstraat 143 Amsterdam, Netherlands group exhibition
[www.tekenkabinet.nl/publiciteit/](#)
Group
- 2024 Tekenkabinet Gallery Artsingel100 Amsterdam, Netherlands Groepsexpositie tekenkunst
[www.tekenkabinet.nl/tekenkabinet-2024/](#)
Group
- 2024 Tekenkabinet BMB Projectruimte Amsterdam, Netherlands Groepsexpositie tekenkunst
[www.tekenkabinet.nl/tekenkabinet-2024/](#)
Group
- 2024 L'Age D'Or Valid World Hall Barcelona, Spain Surrealistische expositie/evenement
[lagedorevent.com/barcelona/](#)
Group
- 2024 Atelierpresentatie en verkoopexpositie Atelier Den Haag, Netherlands expositie van en toelichting op recent werk in mijn atelier [www.nielsjanssen.nl](#)
Solo
- 2023 Pars et Totum KV 02 (ANNA vastgoed beheer) Den Haag, Netherlands solo expositie van recent werk
[www.nielsjanssen.nl](#)
Solo
- 2023 1000.060 e verjaardag van de kunst -in navolging van Fluxus HOK Gallery Den Haag, Netherlands

- Groepsexpositie ter viering van de 1000.060 e verjaardag van de kunst www.hokgallery.com/
Group
- 2023 Tekenkabinet Gallery ArtSingel100 Amsterdam, Netherlands groepsexpositie tekenkunst www.tekenkabinet.nl/tekenkabinet-2023/
Group
- 2023 Tekenkabinet BMB Projectruimte Amsterdam, Netherlands Groepsexpositie tekenkunst www.tekenkabinet.nl/tekenkabinet-2023/
Group
- 2023 L'Age D'Or The Crypt Gallery Londen, United Kingdom Surrealistische groepsexpositie/evenement lagedorevent.com/london/
Group
- 2022 Tekenkabinet Galerie Artsingel 100 Amsterdam, Netherlands groepsexpositie van tekeningen
Group
- 2022 L'Age D'Or Kunst is leuk Almere, Netherlands Surrealistische groepsexpositie/event lagedorevent.com/exhibition-almere/
Group
- 2022 Drawing Cabinet Gallery with Tsjalling Groningen, Netherlands Groupshow of drawings www.tekenkabinet.nl/tekenkabinet-2022/
Group
- 2021 psychografie 2012-2021 KV 02 (ANNA Vastgoed) Den Haag, Netherlands solo expositie, overzicht van reeks 'psychogrammen' 2012-2021 www.nielsjanssen.nl
Solo
- 2021 Tekenkabinet, 2 exposities Tekenkabinet ,2 lokaties Amsterdam, Netherlands Groepsexposities van tekeningen, Amstelparkpaviljoen en bij particulier www.tekenkabinet.nl
Group
- 2021 Adventures Underground Quartair Den Haag, Netherlands Expositie en publicatie rond het thema 'down the rabbit hole', Lula Valetta en Stencilwerck
Group
- 2021 First show (2020-2021) M-M-Art Space, (Monika Dahlberg , André Smits) Kattendijkje, Netherlands Group show with 52 artists, initiated by Monika Dahlberg and André Smits www.artistintheworld.com/html-mm/mm-003.htm#niels
Group
- 2020 Tekenkabinet XS Het tekenkabinet Amsterdam, Netherlands Goup show of Extra Small works by 100 artists www.tekenkabinet.nl/tekenkabinet-xs-2020/
Group
- 2020 Things you need to know before having a threesome DAK Utrecht, Netherlands Trio-exhibition with Martyn F. Overweel and Niek Peters, curated by Chantal Breukers and Jans Muskee www.facebook.com/DAK-722166741196150/
Group

COMMISSIONS

2009 Brushwork odyssey in Malaysia : a Dutch retelling. Ambassade van Maleisie The Hague, Netherlands
Inspirational journey, exhibition (Pulchri Studio, The Hague) and publication finished

SALES/WORKS IN COLLECTIONS

2025 private collection The Hague, Nederland
Drawing

2025 private collection The Hague, Nederland
Drawing

2024 particuliere collectie Amersfoort, Nederland
Tekening

2024 particuliere collectie Den Haag, Nederland
Tekening

2024 particuliere collectie Den Haag, Nederland
Tekening

2023 particuliere collectie Keulen, Duitsland
Tekening

2023 particuliere collectie Den Haag, Nederland
Tekening

2023 particuliere collectie Deventer, Nederland
Tekening

2023 particuliere collectie Helmond, Nederland
Tekening

2023 particuliere collectie Amsterdam, Nederland
Tekening

2022 Particuliere collectie Den Haag, Nederland

2022 Particuliere collectie Utrecht, Nederland

2022 particuliere collectie Amersfoort, Nederland
tekening

2022 particuliere collectie Delft, Nederland
Tekening

2022 particuliere collectie Deventer, Nederland
Tekening

2021 Private collection Amsterdam, Nederland
drawing

2020 Private collection Utrecht, Nederland
drawings

2019 Private collection Berg en Dal, Nederland
drawing

PUBLICATIONS

2025 Tekenkabinet 2025 Catalog
Tekenkabinet, Amsterdam Manja vd
Storm Amsterdam, Netherlands
www.tekenkabinet.nl/ Catalogus
groepsexpositie en online uitingen

2024 <https://www.tekenkabinet.nl/tekenkabinet-2024/> Catalog Tekenkabinet,
Amsterdam Manja vd Storm
Amsterdam, Netherlands
www.tekenkabinet.nl/tekenkabinet-2024/ Catalogus groepsexpositie en

REVIEWS

2023 Niels Janssen :Pars et Totum Blog/Vlog
Bertus Pieters The Hague, Netherlands
villanextdoor3.wordpress.com/2023/11/17/niels-janssen-pars-et-totum-korte-vijverberg-2-the-hague/ Blog about art, mainly in and around The Hague, in this instance about a solo exhibition I held in November 2023

2023 was getekend Blog/Vlog Sandra Mackus
Weert, Netherlands sandramackus.nl/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/Was-getekend.pdf PDF; collection of blogs the

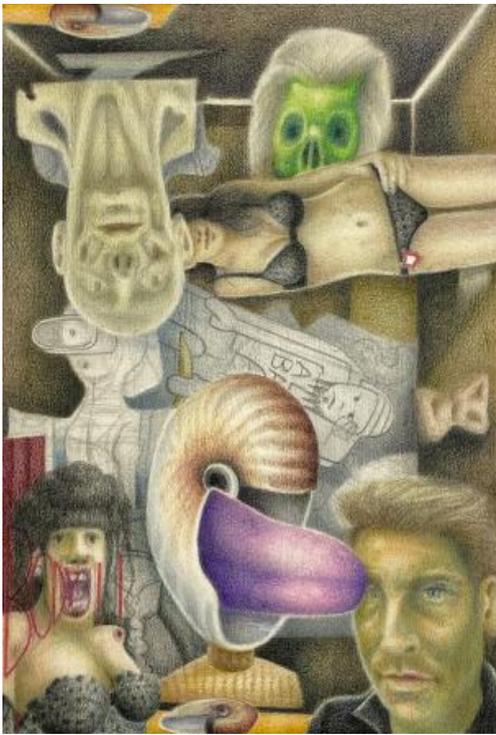
	online uitingen		author wrote on the art of drawing in the course of several years. My work is being reviewed in the frame work of Drawing Cabinet 2023 and a solo exhibition in The Hague in te same year.
2023	Tekenkabinet 2023 Catalog Tekenkabinet, Amsterdam Manja vd Storm Amsterdam, Netherlands www.tekenkabinet.nl/tekenkabinet-2023/ Catalogus groepsexpositie en online uitingen	2021	Kunst Struck- coming through the COVID 19 pandemic Magazine Rich Fog Publishing, BC, Canada Vernon, BC, Canada www.richfog.com/ Magazine about the authors' cultural trip to Europe after the CVID 19 pandemic
2022	Tekenkabinet 2022 Catalog Tekenkabinet, Amsterdam Manja vd Storm Amsterdam, Netherlands www.tekenkabinet.nl/tekenkabinet-2022/ Catalogus groepsexpositie en online uitingen	2020	Monika Dahlberg on my work Blog/Vlog Monika Dahlberg en André Smits Kattendijke, Netherlands www.facebook.com/Absolutely.Monika.Dahlberg/videos/131! videoreport on the progress of the first exhibition in M M Art Space
2022	Graphite-The H to B of contemporary pencil art & drawings Book Viction workshop Ltd o.m. Jono Dry Hong Kong, Hong Kong www.victionary.com Book on international drawing	2020	Plenty of wonder in Kattendijke Newspaper Nico Out Middelburg, Netherlands review
2021	Tekenkabinet 2021 Catalog Tekenkabinet, Amsterdam Manja vd Storm Amsterdam, Netherlands www.tekenkabinet.nl/tekenkabinet-2021/ Catalogus bij groepsexpositie en online uitingen	2020	"Kunstkabinet' will take place in modified form Newspaper Kunstkrant Amsterdam, Netherlands www.kunstkrant.nl/nieuws/tekenkabinet-xs-gaat-aangepast-door Announcement
2020	Tekenkabinet xs Catalog Tekenkabinet, Amsterdam Manja vd Storm Amsterdam, Netherlands www.tekenkabinet.nl/tekenkabinet-xs-2020/ Catalogus bij groepsexpositie en online uitingen	2020	Trio Blog/Vlog Chantal Breukers Utrecht, Netherlands www.facebook.com/DAK-722166741196150/ Announcement
2016	Porsche Academie Book Vleeschhal, Middelburg Nick Terra (voor wat betreft het gedeelte dat over mij gaat) Middelburg, Netherlands vleeshal.nl/nl/shop/porsche-academie Magazine about the Porsche Academy (concept: Marinus Boezem), in response to a conversation I had with Lex ter Braak	2017	Gallery of the art of drawing Blog/Vlog Wim Kranendonk Arnhem, Netherlands wimkranendonk.nl/deelnemende-tekenaars/ Online platform for drafts people based in the Netherlands, also blogs by the author

AWARDS AND GRANTS

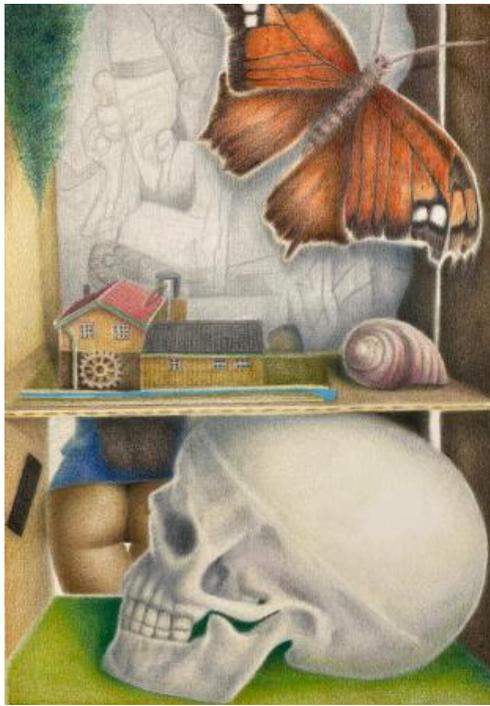
2025	Jacob Hartog Prijs Den Haag, Netherlands Prijs die sinds 1952 jaarlijks wordt uitgereikt aan een deelnemer aan de Voorjaarssalon van Pulchri Studio, bestaande uit € 2.500, en een expositie met de andere genomineerden
2014	Nomination for Jacob Hartogprize, with Paul Nassenstein and winner Peter Zwaan Pulchri Studio, Den Haag The Hague, Netherlands nomination

SECONDARY ART-RELATED ACTIVITIES

2018 - 2019	Docent tekenen en schilderen, Ars Aemula Naturae, Leiden
2018 - --	Dcent tekenen en schilderen, Cultuurhuis de Garensponnerij, Gouda On-going
2009 - --	Docent tekenen en schilderen, CKC, Zoetermeer On-going
2009 - 2014	Initiatiefnemer van Het Micromecenaat
2007 - --	Docent tekenen en schilderen, VAK, centrum voor de kunsten, Delft On-going



time keeps on licking, 2025
drawing, 29 x 21 cms



memento mori, motherfuckers, 2025
drawing, 29 x 21 cms



psychogram 250825-Entropia, 2025



Venus and the hound of hell, 2024
drawing, 21 x 15 cms



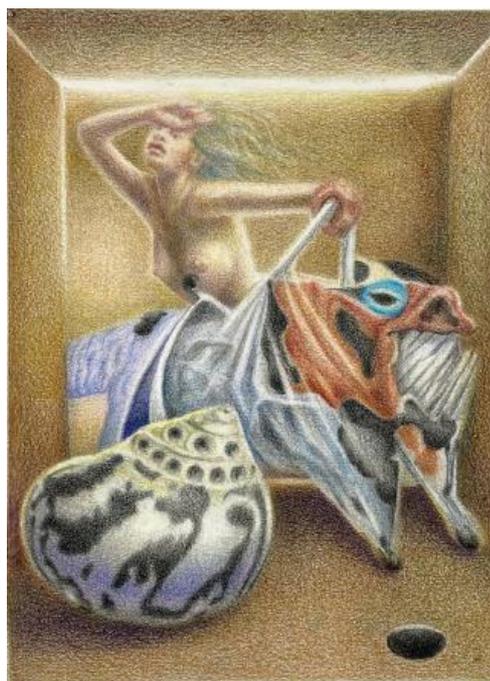
facility, 2024
drawing, 15 x 21 cms



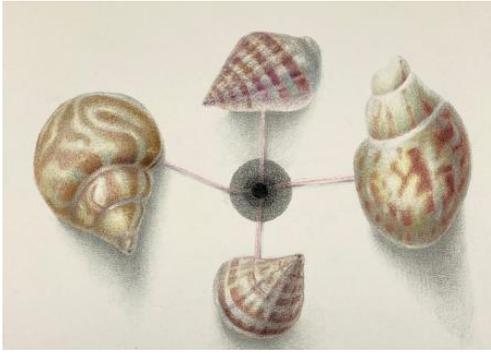
Am Waldrand, 2024
drawing, 21 x 15 cms



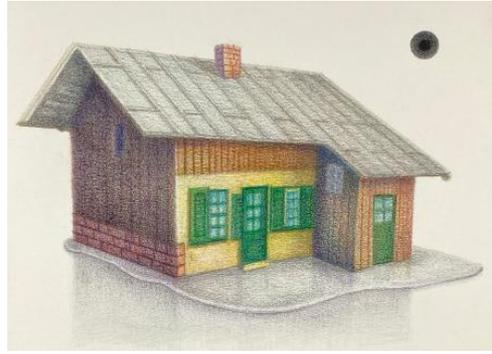
mind and matter, 2024
drawing, 21 x 15 cms



Venus and the proto poodle, 2024
drawing, 21 x 15 cms



gravitational pull, 2024
drawing, 15 x 21 cms



spilling the milk, black hole rising, 2024
drawing, 15 x 21 cms