GABEY TJON A THAM

As an installation artist my artistic practice revolves around the question: How natural is nature in our current time? In my work I'm researching the complex systems that occur both in nature and in our digital world and how they affect each other through ever evolving processes. These principles are explored through audiovisual installations that are balancing between virtual and analog realities. By acquiring cross-disciplinary knowledge in the natural sciences and computer science I find connections between the natural and artificial in our anthropocentric environment. In my current practice I'm focusing on working from location-specific experiences to reflect directly on environments where agents function with their own time cycles and behaviour, influencing a living system in becoming.

WEBSITES

www.gabeytjonatham.com

SOCIAL MEDIA

www.instagram.com/gabeytjonatham/

MEMBER OF A PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION/ARTISTS' ASSOCIATION

iii (Instrument Inventors Initiative)

EDUCATION

2010 - 2012	ArtScience Den Haag, Koninklijke Academie van Beeldende Kunsten diploma
2007 - 2010	Fine Arts / Painting Den Haag, Koninklijke Academie van Beeldende Kunsten diploma
2006 - 2007	Propedeuse Zwolle, CABK/ARTEZ Academie voor Beeldende Kunst diploma

EXHIBITIONS

2025	Still Processing NXT Museum Amsterdam, Netherlands nxtmuseum.com/ Group
2025	NOPA Festival for Sound Art Botanical Garden Yerevan, Armenia nopa.art/ Group
2024	Vec4(red,green,blue,alpha) Small Museum - Paradiso Amsterdam, Netherlands www.paradiso.nl/en/landing/small-museum/689906 Solo
2023	Uit het donker V De Warande De Hoge Rielen - Kasterlee, Belgium www.warande.be/programma/6689/UIT_HET_DONKER_V/een_wandeling_in_het_licht Group
2023	Superluminal Light Art Museum Budapest Budapest, Hungary lam.xyz/ Group
2022	Luchtruim Schemerlicht Nijmegen, Netherlands schemerlichtfestival.nl/ Group
2022	Flowing Grounds Galleri Frihamsntorget Stockholm, Sweden curated by Sona Stepanyan Solo
2021	Sound Art in Public Spaces Wilde Westen Kortrijk, Belgium www.sounds-now.eu/media/sound-art-in-public-spaces-at-wilde-westen/

INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGES/RESIDENCIES

2024	Witte Rook Hybride - Online / Breda, Netherlands Digital Explorers - Residency witterook.nl/en/project/digital-explorers/
2021	Bibliotek-A Stockholm, Sweden Artist in Residency with Sona Stepanyan bibliotek-a.net/Gabey-Tjon-a-Tham
2016	Timelab Ghent, Belgium How do we save time? - Artist in Residency timelab.org/project/how-do-we-save-time
2016	STEIM Amsterdam, Netherlands Artist in Residency
2015	DordtYart Dordrecht, Netherlands Artist in Residency dordtyart.nl/artist_in_residence-1/gabey_tjon_a_tham_nl
2014	Museum of Transitory Arts Ljubljana, Slovenia Artist in Residency motamuseum.com/
2008	Iceland Academy of Arts, Reykjavik Reykjavik Exchange Student

Group

2020 Red Horizon & the Monads Bierumer School Bierum, Netherlands
Solo

2020 Confined.work TAC Eindhoven Virtual Group Exhibition confined.work
Group

2019 Respons Bellamy Kabinet Amsterdam, Netherlands bellamykabinet.nl/
Group

2019)))))) repetition at my distance Red Ger Creative Space Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia www.artscouncil.mn
Solo

2018 The Monads Tetem Enschede, Netherlands www.tetem.nl/portfolio/the-monads/
Solo

2018 Another Dimension Nest Den Haag, Netherlands nestruimte.nl/en/exhibition/another-dimension/
Group

2017 Gabey Tjon a Tham Stereolux - Platforme Intermedia Nantes, France www.stereolux.org/agenda/gabey-tjon-tham
Solo

COMMISSIONS

2021 Hexasynth Cinekid / MU Amsterdam / Eindhoven, Netherlands in collaboration with Max Frimout mu.nl/en/play-and-learn/activities/hexasynth-mu-x-cinekid finished

2020 Soundhouse Parl Productions Dordrecht, Netherlands Audio Contribution soundhouse.org/ finished

2019 Symbiotic Spaces Bellamy Kabinet Amsterdam, Netherlands Installation bellamykabinet.nl/ finished

2018 If/Then Stichting FIBER Amsterdam, Netherlands Installation www.fiber-space.nl/ finished

PUBLICATIONS

2025 Wat is de natuur van de online omgeving? Witte Rook Nele Brökelmann Breda, Netherlands witterook.nl/publicatie/wat-is-de-natuur-van-de-online-omgeving-gabey-tjon-a-thams-online-werkperiode-bij-witte-rook/ Article

2024 Superluminal Catalog Light Art Museum Budapest Budapest, Hungary lam.xyz Exhibition Catalogue 'Superluminal'

2024 Small Museum Talk - Gabey Tjon a Tham Small Museum - Paradiso Rosa Cherim Amsterdam, Netherlands www.paradiso.nl/en/news/podcast-small-museum-talk/2479253 Podcast

2024 Cross Pollination: Gabey Tjon a Tham & Jeanine Verloop iii (Instrument Inventors Initiative) Chetana Pai Den Haag, Netherlands creators.spotify.com/pod/show/instrumentinventors/episodes/Ga Tjon-a-Tham--Jeanine-Verloop---Alternate-Realities--Tool-Building---the-More-than-Human-e2li7pj/a-abdei4l Podcast

2022 #4 Nachtmakers - Gabey Tjon a Tham Small Museum Rosa Cherim Amsterdam, Netherlands www.paradiso.nl/nl/landing/small-museum/75303/nachtmakers-podcast/83413/ Podcast

2021 Kunst is Lang Mister Motley Luuk Heezen Netherlands soundcloud.com/user-271647321/aflevering-158-gabey-tjon-a-tham Podcast

2021 De gelaagde realiteiten van Gabey Tjon a Tham de Lage Landen Maarten Buser www.de-lage-landen.com/article/de-gelaagde-realiteiten-van-gabey-tjon-a-tham Article

2020 Lichtjesdans Dagblad van het Noorden Illand Pietersma Groningen / Drenthe, Netherlands Review

2020 Stroom Invest Interviews / Gabey Tjon a Tham Jegens & Tevens Cathleen Owens The Hague, Netherlands

jegensentevens.nl/2020/06/stroom-invest-interviews-artist-gabey-tjon-a-tham/ Interview

2018 De suggestie van iets menselijks, Tendens 12: Onze Technische Natuur Mister Motley Yasmijn Yarram Amsterdam, Netherlands www.mistermotley.nl/tendens/de-suggestie-van-iets-menselijks Interview

2018 Op zoek naar een nieuwe natuur De Ingenieur Fabian Takx Amsterdam, Netherlands www.tetem.nl/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/De_ingenieur_Okt_2018_the_monads. Article

2018 Aparte Vogels Gonzo (circus), landelijks Benelux Maarten Buser Amsterdam www.gonzocircus.com/expositiebespreking-the-monads/ Gonzo #147, bindwerk lang

2017 Below The Radar Special Edition: SHAPE Platform 2017 WIRE magazine, UK London, United Kingdom www.thewire.co.uk/audio/btr/below-the-radar-special-edition-shape-platform-2017 CD compilation (contribution audiotrack the Monads)

2017 Gabey Tjon a Tham talks about exploring the natural side of technology SHAPE Platform Lucia Udvardyova EU shapeplatform.eu/2017/gabey-tjon-a-tham-talks-about-exploring-the-natural-side-of-technology/ Interview

2017 Two days TodaysArt Festival ArchiNed Eric Vreedenburgh Rotterdam, Netherlands www.archined.nl/2017/10/two-days-todaysart-festival

2016 Audio DH - Sonic Manifestations by 250 artists from the Hague iii editions Francisco Lopez The Hague, Netherlands audiodh.nl/ Audio contribution 'the Monads'

2014 Mota editions 2#: T.R.I.B.E.- Exercises in Transitory Art / Vaje iz tranzitorne umetnosti Museum of Transitory Arts, Ljubljana Ljubljana, Slovenia motamuseum.com/2014/09/03/slovenscina-predstavitev-nase-druge-publikacije-t-r-i-b-e-vaje-iz-tranzitorne-umetnosti/ Book publication / Interview

2014 ПРОСТРАНСТВО LUCIDA National Centre of Contemporary Arts, Moscow Moscow, Russian Federation ncca.ru/en/events.text?filial=2&id=1171 Exhibition Catalogue 'Lucida Space'

AWARDS AND GRANTS

2024 Experiment Stimuleringsfonds Creatieve Industrie Netherlands

2022 Experiment Stimuleringsfonds Creatieve Industrie

2022 Pro Onderzoek Stroom Den Haag

2021 Werkbijdrage Bewezen Talent mondriaan fonds

2019 Pro Premium Stroom Den Haag The Hague

2019 Open Oproep Professionalisering Ontwerppraktijk Stimuleringsfonds Creatieve Industrie

2018 Pro Onderzoek Stroom Den Haag

2016 Kunstschouw Kunstschouw Award (nomination)

2015 Talent development stipendium Stimuleringsfonds Creatieve Industrie

2015 Pro Invest Stroom Den Haag

REPRESENTATION

-- SHAPE platform Europe http://shapeplatform.eu/

2014 Pro Onderzoek Stroom Den Haag

2012 Gogbot Festival Youngblood Award 2012 (nomination)

SECONDARY ART-RELATED ACTIVITIES

2025 - 2025 Artist Talk - Sound Studies Centre, Leiden University, Leiden

2024 - 2024 Jury - Competitie categorie VR, Kaboom Animation Festival

2023 - 2023 Artist Talk - ArtCoDe, Fontys school of the Arts, Tilburg

2023 - 2023 Artist Talk - Haute Ecole de Musique, Geneve

2020 - 2024 Jury - Generators Fonds for underground creative makers in Twente

2019 - 2019 Workshop - making a Visual Score, IMC Weekendschool, the Hague

2019 - 2019 Jury - Stroom Encouragement Award, the Hague

2018 - 2018 Artist Talk - Tetem, Enschede

2018 - 2018 Jury - Youngblood Award, Gogbot, Enschede

2018 - 2018 Mentoring - students Royal Academy of Arts the Hague, for exhibition 'One Nest Stand, Outermost Corner', Nest, the Hague

2017 - 2017 Panel discussion - Urban Books #48 Leven in Media , Pakhuis de Zwijger, Amsterdam



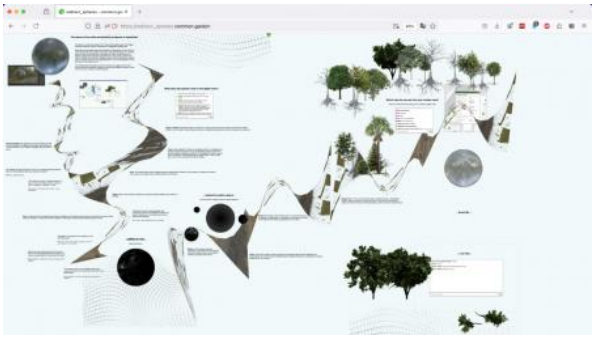
Red Horizon, 2025
kinetic, sound, light installation



The Monads, 2025
kinetic, sound installation



Vec4(red,green,blue,alpha), 2024
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Redirect_Spheres, 2024
Website



Vec4(red,green,blue,alpha), 2024
Generatieve virtuele 3D omgeving op scherm, 41 x 33 x 4 cm



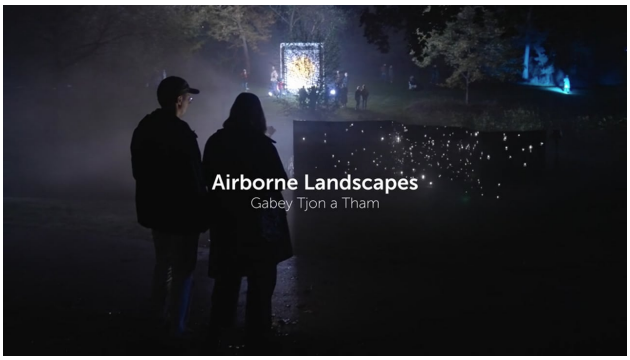
Airborne Landscapes, 2022



Flowing Grounds | Stockholm, 2022
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Flowing Grounds | Stockholm, 2022
Installation - 2 channel video, multichannel audio, tactile transducers, signal lights



Airborne Landscapes, 2022
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Symbiotic Spaces | Stockholm, 2021