BLANKA DE BRUYNE

With expressive use of colour and dynamic shapes, Blanka De Bruyne creates her own visual language and symbolic world
Blanka De Bruyne (Bruges,1975) studied cultural and social history at the university of Gent en Groningen. During her study she focused on artistic and cultural movements. She studied painting at the Académie des Beaux Arts Jean-Jacques Gaillard in Brussels. People and the human emotion are central in her work, it reflects what's behind reality rather than reality itself, the mythical thinking. She paints portraits, mostly inspired by images in the media, transcending and translating them. It are decompositions reforming existing images in colours and particles. Expressive colours an dynamic forms characterize her work.

WEBSITES

blankadebruyne.com

www.stichting-ruimtevaart.nl/ruimtevaart.htm

SOCIAL MEDIA

www.instagram.com/blankadbruyne/
pixelfed.social/BlankaDeBruyne

MEMBER OF ARTISTS' INITIATIVE/COLLECTIVE/INCUBATOR

Ruimtevaart

EDUCATION

2020 - 2020	Launching an Independent Art Space: Conceptual and Practical Skills Node Center - Berlin, Germany
2020 - 2020	Riso Printing Grafische Werkplaats Den Haag
2012 - 2012	Troni workshop Anuli Croon De Vrije Academie Den Haag
2011 - 2014	autonoom schilderen en diverse workshops De Vrije Academie Den Haag
2001 - 2004	pluridisciplinaire/ autonoom Academie des Beaux Arts Jean Jacques Gaillard diploma
2000 - 2001	Docent geschiedenis Rijksuniversiteit Groningen diploma
1996 - 1999	culturele en sociale geschiedenis Rijksuniversiteit Groningen diploma
1993 - 1996	geschiedenis, kunst/cultuur en filosofie vakken Rijksuniversiteit Gent diploma

EXHIBITIONS

2026	Ruimtevaart Den Haag, Netherlands group exhibition, Tribe to Remember, central is the mythic river the Lethe Hoogtij 27,28,29 november Group
2026	Etalage 74 The Hague, Netherlands exhibition in gallery 8 november-4 december www.instagram.com/etalage74/ Solo
2025	riso print publication 'a story' Stroom bookshop Den Haag, Netherlands print booklet in Dutch ' Een verhaal' text and drawings, available in bookshop of Stroom www.blankadebruyne.com/projects/

PROJECTS

2026	TTR DCR Den Haag Netherlands www.tribetoremember.com Tribe To Remember Multidisciplinary artist collective Blanka De Bruyne, Leonie Bos, Sarina Missot and Tawhida Engelenburg presentations of artwork, video work. Exhibition en presentation is coming
2023	riso werk 'een verhaal' Grafische Werkplaats Den Haag Nederland, Netherlands www.blankadebruyne.com/projects/ een verhaal geschreven met tekeningen, Riso publicatie, kleine oplage

2025 Toasted quartair Den Haag, Netherlands Participating a group exhibition, with new work, straight from my studio! www.quartair.nl/toasted/
Group

2024 het onbewaakte moment Quartair Den Haag, Netherlands drie schilderijen en twee tekeningen www.quartair.nl/events/
Group

2024 Inter-esse de Vishal Haarlem, Netherlands tentoonstelling thema portretten in 27 juli-1 september 2024 www.devishal.nl
Group

2023 Schilderijen Maldoror galerie/ het sterhuis Den Haag, Netherlands etalage tentoonstelling www.instagram.com/maldoror_galerie/?hl=en
Duo

2023 Bermuda Open studio Den Haag, Netherlands Open atelierroute bermudaopen.studio
Solo

2022 Open Quartair Den Haag, Netherlands drie schilderijen tentoongesteld www.quartair.nl/upcoming-hoogtij-68-open/
Group

2020 Artist Support Fair Quartair Den Haag, Netherlands drie werken tentoongesteld (en allen verkocht) www.quartair.nl/geen_bloem-art_fair/
Group

2020 Sarajevo Winter Festival 2020 Collegium Artisticum, National Theater BiH, Bosnian Culture Center 36th International Festival Sarajevo Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina expositie en performance www.quartair.nl/quartair-in-sarajevo/
Group

2019 Duo expositie kunststukken101 Kunststukken101 Den Haag, Netherlands expositie in galerie www.kunststukken101.nl/agenda/opening-duo-expositie-blanka-de-bruyne-en-chrystel-rijkeboer
Duo

COMMISSIONS

2024 illustration of poem Johan de Witt scholengroep The Hague, Netherlands commission illustration of poems schoolproject finished

SALES/WORKS IN COLLECTIONS

2025 Within private purchaise Nederland oil and oil pencil on canvas board, 18/25 cm

2025 Music notes in landscapes private purchaise Nederland oil and oil pencil on canvas board, 18/25 cm

2024 Lady private purchaise Nederland acrylic on canvas, 30/40 cm

2020 wonder private purchaise Nederland, Nederland acrylic on canvas, 25/30 cm

2020 wonder (2) private purchaise Nederland acrylic on canvas

2019 the poet private purchaise Nederland, Nederland acrylic on canvas, 30/40 cm

2019 From the sun private purchaise Nederland acryl op doek, 70/100 cm

2018 portrait commission Nederland, Nederland portrait

commission

2018 two sisters private purchaise Nederland acrylic on paper, 50/65 cm

2016 Nooit Meer! (Nunca Mas) private purchaise Nederland, Nederland acrylic on canvas, 70/100 cm

2015 portrait private purchaise Belgium commission portrait

2014 Decomposition private purchaise Nederland, Nederland acrylic on paper, 30/40 cm

PUBLICATIONS

2024 Het onbewaakte moment Quartair Nederland www.quartair.nl/events/ publicatie doosje met beeldmateriaal bij groepsexpositie

2021 Artguide Artists fransatic Pieter de Groot Amsterdam, Netherlands www.fransastic.eu The art guide is an annual publication by the Dutch publisher Fransastic. In this publication you can find an overview of art of offer in the Netherlands. A full color 176 pages guide containing information about musea, art galleries, artists, art events and more.

SECONDARY ART-RELATED ACTIVITIES

2024 - -- policy advisor visual arts and art in public space city of Delft On-going

2019 - -- board member art organization B141/Quartair On-going

2017 - 2020 advisor/board member art organization Extrapool

2015 - 2020 councilor Rotterdam Council for art and culture, visual arts advice

2009 - 2023 policy advisor visual arts and art in public space city of Haarlem



l'esprit, 2026
acrylic on paper, 42 x 60 cm



unity, 2026
oil on canvas, 30 x 40



construction in perspective, 2026
acrylic and pastel on paper, 42 x 60 cm



Become the water, become the fish, 2025
acrylic on canvas, 25 x 30



En-Theos, 2025
acrylic on canvas, 50/70 cm



Sublime, 2025
acrylic on canvas, 25/30 cm



Light, 2025
acrylic on canvas, 25/30 cm



Léthé et le monde éternel, 2025
acrylic and oil pastel on paper, 42 x 60 cm



unfiltered, 2025
watercolor on paper, 70/100 cm



Transparent, 2024
oil pastel on paper, 42 x 60 cm