

FRANS VAN HOEK

Building connection by exploring history and science in a humorous and participatory way.

Growing up in South Africa's Karoo desert, where fossils, satellite towers, and colonial musket rounds coexist casually, Frans van Hoek's practice explores the world by layering these different timescales. Drawing on a background in physics and psychology, van Hoek seeks to integrate such seemingly opposing forces, bridging large-scale currents in ecology, history and politics with the playful poetics of everyday life. His works use humour, participation, and well-known forms to make philosophical and political questions more accessible, reducing tension and making discussion and connection easier. Driven by Relational Aesthetics, his works seek to generate a collaborative understanding of our world as it moves between Finnish soldiers, Brabant primary-schoolers, Amsterdam climate-consultants, Estonian fishermen and Portuguese dock workers.

WEBSITES

fransvanhoek.com

SOCIAL MEDIA

www.instagram.com/franslucent/

OPLEIDINGEN

2024 - Master/Apprentice Program Kunstpodium T
2024

2020 - Bachelor Beeldende Kunst Den Haag,
2024 Koninklijke Academie van Beeldende
Kunsten Diploma behaald

TENTOONSTELLINGEN

2026 Salon Amsterdam Stigter van Doesburg
Amsterdam, Nederland
[Groep](#)

2026 Mad Meg Presents: Mad Meg
Amsterdam, Nederland
[Groep](#)

2026 Minor Moons: Lunar New Year De
Besturing The Hague, Nederland
[Groep](#)

2026 TROUBLEZONE Speechless Artspace
The Hague, Nederland with Anka

INTERNATIONALE UITWISSELINGEN / ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCIES

2024 Örö Residency Programme, Örö, Finland,
artist in residence Oro, Finland ORES
Residency www.ores.fi/

2024 HET RESORT Groningen, Nederland
Midseason Residency

2023 Narva Art Residency Narva, Estland
NART Venice Embassy Residency
www.nart.ee/en/artists/frans-van-hoek-%E2%8E%9Cvenice/

2023 Ponte d'Arte Residency Ponte de Mucela,

Hashin
Duo

Portugal

2026 Wound Machine Mad Meg Amsterdam,
Nederland [fransvanhoek.com/wound-
machine-\(2026\)](https://fransvanhoek.com/wound-machine-(2026))
Solo

2026 Les Fleurs du Mal Thonk Tank Antwerp,
België
Groep

2026 Earthly Delights The Balcony The
Hague, Nederland with Pippilotta Yerna
Duo

2026 So Far, So Good 38CC Delft, Nederland
Bobbi's Summer School
Groep

2026 JACKPOT Erratum Projects Marseille,
Frankrijk
Groep

2026 Ground Zero C3 Rotterdam, Nederland
Groep

2026 UNFAIR Editions UNFAIR Amsterdam,
Nederland
Groep

2025 POWERPOLYP Kunstpodium T Tilburg,
Nederland Master/Apprentice
Programme
Groep

2025 Post-Ludens TROEF Leiden, Nederland
Groep

2025 Post Pollution Vriend van Bavink
Gallery Amsterdam, Nederland
Groep

2025 't Jonge Tijgerpaard Het Resort
Groningen, Nederland
Groep

2025 Remnants II T Space Antwerp, België
Groep

2025 BIG ART Het Slotervaart Amsterdam,
Nederland
Groep

2025 Many Times, Many Ways Tin
Amsterdam, Nederland
Groep

2025	LOKI MOW Museum Bellingwolde, Nederland Groep
2025	FreshCacao 2024 Cacaofabriek Helmond, Nederland Cacaofabriek Best of Graduates Programme Groep
2025	Carts Before Horses Stigter van Doesburg Amsterdam, Nederland Groep
2025	Please RSVP the__servers The Hague, Nederland Groep
2025	Stigter van Doesburg & Martin van Zomeren (Le Plafond) ArtIsland IJmuiden, Nederland Groep
2024	In The Meantime, Kiekencentrale Antwerp, België Groep
2024	Meander Billytown The Hague, Nederland Groep
2024	De Wasstraat NAP+ Art Fair Amsterdam, Nederland Groep
2024	Between the Lanes Het Resort Groningen, Nederland Groep
2024	Frans van Hoek & Sigrid Spierenburg Maldoror Gallery The Hague, Nederland Duo
2024	Graduation Show 2024 Royal Academy of Art The Hague, Nederland Groep
2023	Nothing Happens Unless You Make It Happen NART Narva, Estland123 NART Venice Embassy Residency Solo
2023	Hortus Conclusus Wintergarden KASK Antwerp, België Groep
2023	Everything That Grows Underground WEST The Hague, Nederland Pregraduation Show

Groep

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| 2023 | I Still Care Eurocenter Zuidas
Amsterdam, Nederland
Groep |
| 2023 | Grenzenloos Galerie Windows 47
Haarlem, Nederland
Groep |
| 2023 | Hortus Colclusus KASK Wintergarden
Antwerp, België
Groep |
| 2023 | But s/he endorsed the sheen Vrij Paleis
Amsterdam, Nederland
Groep |
| 2022 | Mmmmmmmarshmallow Cube
Exhibition Research Lab The Hague,
Nederland
Groep |
| 2022 | An Idle Escape NEST The Hague,
Nederland
Groep |
| 2022 | (Post)human Imaginaries National
Archive The Hague, Nederland
Groep |

AANKOPEN/WERKEN IN COLLECTIES

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| 2026 | NorthFace Armour (2024) Dutch
Ministry of Foreign Affairs The Hague,
Nederland |
| 2026 | Haribo Amulets (2026) LAM Museum
Lisse, Nederland |
| 2026 | Mad Meg Breastplate (2026) Private
Collection Antwerp, België |

PRIJZEN EN STIPENDIA

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| 2026 | Stroom SPOT Documentation Grant The
Hague, Nederland |
| 2025 | Mondriaan Fonds Artist Start Grant
Amsterdam, Nederland |
| 2023 | INCO Aspire Social Entrepreneurship Grant
INCO Amsterdam, Nederland |



Kid Frans Neon (Colonial Soldier), 2026
Acrylic LED Neon, 70 x 55



Crime and Punishment Jenga, 2026
48 custom-format books, wood, 23 x 23 x 115



Globe Bowling, 2025
custom bowling ball, 22cm x 22cm x 22cm



Afterlife Lobby, 2025
print on ceramic, 225cmx26cmx18cm



Shooting Gallery, 2025
steel, wood, air rifle, lead BB's, plastic stars, safety glasses, playlist, 4m x 3m x 3m



World Order Badminton, 2025
steel, badminton rackets, shuttles, net, vinyl, 6m x 3m x 1.5m



Valid Until: 100,002,024, 2024
Museumkaart, pine resin, light, 17cm x 27cm x 15cm



NorthFace Armor, 2024
steel, etching, 80cm x 45cm x 170cm



ClimaCool (Harappa), 2024
polyester, badge, 2cm x 53cm x 75cm



Clarity Active, 2024
recycled polyester, silicone, variable