

Margaret Lansink

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Profile

Margaret Lansink is a fine art photographer who works and lives both in Antwerp as well as in Amsterdam. Lansink received a BA from the PhotoAcademy in Amsterdam, studied for a year at LeMasterklass Paris and subsequently at Smedsby Atelier in Paris.

The works of Lansink have been awarded the Grand Prize of Hariban Award 2019, and have been shortlisted for Gomma Grant 2018. In 2018 her work was shortlisted for Fotofilmic18 and Athens Photofestival and was part of Reclaim Photography Festival in Wolverhampton UK.

Lansink participates in exhibitions, residencies and competitions in Holland and abroad. Her work has been shown in LA, Paris, Antwerp, New York, Tokyo, Kyoto, Tbilisi, Vancouver, Amsterdam etc. In 2016 she has been rewarded with an AIR with the Kaunas Gallery in Lithuania and in 2017 with Shiro Oni Studio in Japan; both for her on-going project The Kindness of One. In 2019 she has been rewarded with an AIR at Benrido Atelier Kyoto for winning the Hariban Award 2019 with her series Borders of Nothingness - On the Mend.

Margaret Lansink has published eight books (4 of them handmade by herself). 'The Kindness of One' has been awarded with Best Dutch Book Designs 2019 and is part of the collection of Stedelijk Museum Amsterdam Bookstore now. Her books 'Borders of Nothingness - On the Mend' as well as 'The Kindness on One' are part of the collection of Victoria and Albert Museum in London. A video of her series Fear no More and a podcast about her series Borders of Nothingness - On the Mend is part of the collection of Tbilisi Photography & Multimedia Museum Georgia.

Margaret is member of FemmesPHOTOgraphes Paris and member-founder of iwi_collective. Additionally, she often coaches young photographers in developing their signature and portfolio.

Artist Statement

Lansink's work is created around a strong signature of aesthetic, poetic and slightly minimalistic images yet all able to convey a powerful emotional message. This is substantiated by her usage of intuitive photography, creating imagery that presents an open and honest reflection of her emotions, doubts, reflections or struggles in life. Shot as 'self-portraits' in the broadest sense of the concept, they reveal her inner emotions at a certain time, space and interaction.

With this uniquely recognisable style, her approachable images gently invite the viewer to embark on a journey through his/her own intricate web of memories, emotions, expectations, fears and/or desires. In this way her images build an overflow from the physical to the metaphorical and vice versa.

Lansink series are often founded on human's processes of accepting life as it is. Each with its own angle of approach, but based on the beauty of imperfection and impermanence; the Japanese philosophy of Wabi Sabi.

Her series illustrate and inspire people to embrace the idea that in the concept of change, true beauty is to be found. Beauty to rekindle our thoughts, our ideas, our (human) connections, our society, our bond with Nature and most importantly our 'self'.

To capture the atmospheric variety of her/human inner emotions, Lansink uses various analogue techniques and experiments with making collages, using paint, gold leaf, charcoal as well as old darkroom technology like liquid light or platinum palladium printing.

Education

- 2019 Atelier Smedsby, Paris
- 2018 Masterclass Machiel Botman, Haarlem
- 2016 LeMasterklass of Klavdij Sluban & Nestan Nijaradze, Paris
- 2010 -2012 Photo Academy Amsterdam (BA)

Residencies

- 2019 Benrido Atelier: Grand Prize Winner Hariban Award
- 2017 Shiro Oni Studio - Onishi Japan
- 2016 Kaunas Gallery - Kaunas Lithuania for The Kindness of One

Awards - Honors - Grants

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Exhibitions from 2019-2023

- 2023 June - December
 Solo exhibition Friction at Bildhalle / Willemsparkweg Amsterdam
 Photo Basel with Galerie XII
 Solo exhibition Friction at Galerie XII Paris
 Exhibition with the Kindness of One at Embassy of Lithuania Paris (with Rene van Hulst)
 Solo exhibition Friction Deuss Gallery Antwerp
- 2023 January - June
 Photo London with Galerie XII
 Art Rotterdam with Bildhalle Amsterdam/Zürich
 Group exhibition at Deuss Gallery Antwerp
 Group exhibition Kunsthaus Kollitsch Austria
- 2022 Paris Photo with Bildhalle Amsterdam/Zürich
 Jewish Museum of Florida with the Kindness of One (with Rene van Hulst)
 Moderne Art Fair Paris with Galerie XII Paris
 Unseen Amsterdam 2022 with Bildhalle Amsterdam/Zürich
 Japan Museum Sieboldhuis Leiden
 Expolaroid Paris with Galerie XII Paris
 Group exhibition Deuss Gallery Antwerp
 Group exhibition Kunsthaus Kollitsch Austria
 Solo presentation Spark Art Fair Vienna with IBASHO Antwerp
- 2021 Galerie Caroline O'Brien duo exhibition
 Mia Milano Image Art Fair with Galerie XII
 Photo Basel with IBASHO
 Unseen Amsterdam with Galerie Caroline O'Brien
 Solo exhibition BODY MAPS at Deuss Gallery Antwerp
 Galerie Ingrid Deuss Antwerp - solo exhibition Bodymaps
 Galerie XII Los Angeles - solo exhibition Borders of Nothingness - On the Mend
 Galerie XII Paris- solo exhibition Borders of Nothingness - On the Mend
 Ibasho Gallery Antwerp - with 'The concept of Ma'
- 2020 G-Roppongi Tokyo Japan - group exhibition with collotypes Benrido
 Embassy of Lithuania The Hague | exhibition Kindness of One with poet Rene van Hulst
 Galerie Caroline O'Brien | premiere & booklaunch BODY MAPS
 Benrido & Kyotographie KG+ - Kyoto Japan - solo exhibition Hariban Award 2019 2020
 Galerie XII at Art Paris Art Fair
 L'Enfant Sauvage Brussels with Christopher Dé Bethune
 Presentation Hariban Collotypes - Gallery Caroline O'Brien Amsterdam
 Summer exhibition Wabi Sabi - IBASHO Antwerp
 Galerie Clélia Alric - Niort France
 Gallery Caroline O'Brien Amsterdam - Group Exhibition on "Nature"
- 2019 ' Antichambre with The (M) éditions & Ibasho Paris
 Haute Photography Rotterdam - with Ibasho Antwerp
 Embassy of Art with 'the Kindness of One' - Amsterdam
 LaNuu Photo Festival Barcelona
 Ibasho Gallery Antwerp