

ERWIN OLAF

**Born in 1959 in Hilversum, The Netherlands.
Past away in 2023 in Leiden, The Netherlands.**

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2024** Erwin Olaf: In Motion, In Stillness, Baró Galeria, Palma, Spain
Erwin Olaf, KONG Gallery, Seoul, South Korea
Erwin Olaf: Stages, Houk Gallery, New York, USA
Erwin Olaf: Narratives of Emancipation, Desire and Intimacy, Centro Cultural De La Villa, Madrid, Spain
- 2023** Erwin Olaf: A Vanishing World, Centro Niemeyer, Avilés, Spain
- 2022** Dance in Close-Up: Hans van Manen seen by Erwin Olaf, Galerie Ron Mandos, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
Dance in Close-Up, Galerie Rabouan Moussion, Paris, France
Erwin Olaf: Perfect Moment — Incomplete World, National Taiwan Museum of Fine Arts, Taichung City, Taiwan
Im Wald, Hamiltons Gallery, London, United Kingdom
Dance in Close-Up & Im Wald, Izzy Gallery, Toronto, Canada
The Black Diamond (Royal Danish Library), Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2021** Kunsthalle München, Munich, Germany
Suwon Museum of Art, Suwon, South Korea
April Fool 2020 & Im Wald, 2020, Edwynn Houk Gallery, New York, USA
Patricia Conde Galería, Mexico City, Mexico
First solo exhibition at Ron Mandos Gallery, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
- 2020** Trilogy, Izzy Gallery, Toronto, Canada
Post Covid 19, part 2 - Erwin Olaf, April Fool, Gallery Kong, Seoul, South Korea
Paci Contemporary, Brescia, Italy
April Fool, Galerie Rabouan Moussion, Paris, France, Erwin Olaf
- 2019** 12x Erwin Olaf, Exhibition with a selection of the acquired works at Rijksmuseum, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
Xie Zilong Photography Museum (XPM), Changsha, China

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Parallel, Shanghai Center of Photography (SCoP), Shanghai, China
Anniversary Solo Show, Gemeente Museum The Hague & The Hague Museum of
Photography, The Hague, The Netherlands
Edwynn Houk Gallery, New York, USA

- 2018** MIS - Museu da Imagem e do Som de São Paulo, São Paulo, Brazil, Large multimedia retrospective
Erwin Olaf retrospective, Izzy Gallery, Toronto, Canada
- 2016** Erwin Olaf - Four Series, National Gallery, Sofia, Bulgaria
Cell of Emotions, Centro de Arte Contemporáneo de Málaga , Malaga, Spain
Homage Louis Gallait, The Pushkin State Museum of Fine Arts, Moscow, Russia
- 2014** Erwin Olaf: The Empire of Illusion, Museo de Arte Contemporáneo de Rosario, Rosario, Argentina
Retrospective, Fundação Oriente Museu, Macau, China
Erwin Olaf: Breakfast in America, The Museum of New Art, Detroit, USA
Erwin Olaf: Karussell, MODEM, Debrecen, Hungary
Empire of Illusion, Museo de Arte Contemporáneo, Santiago, Chile
Choreography of Emotions, Muzeum Narodowe w Gdańsku, Gdańsk, Poland
- 2013** Emotions, Installations by Erwin Olaf till 2012, La Sucrière, Lyon, France
- 2012** Regressive, MMKA, Arnhem, The Netherlands
Exquisite Corpses, Gaasbeek Castle, Gaasbeek, Belgium
- 2011** Erwin Olaf: Captured Senses, CerModern, Ankara, Turkey
- 2010** Dusk / Dawn, Hermitage Amsterdam , Amsterdam, The Netherlands
Vite Private, Fondazione FORMA, Milan, Italy
A Journey to Excellence, Rijksmuseum, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
- 2009** Moving Targets, Haifa Museum of Art, Haifa, Israel
Darts of Pleasure, Erwin Olaf 1984 - 2009, Domus Artium 2002 (DA02), Salamanca, Spain
Photographie & Video: Rain, Hope, Grief, Fall et d'autres Oeuvres, Institut Néerlandais, Paris, France
Erwin Olaf - EyeCandy 1984 - 2009, Fotomuseum, Antwerp, Belgium
- 2008** Selected Works, Australian Centre for Photography, Sydney, Australia
Still Living: Structure, Surface and Expression, Southeastern Center of Contemporary Art, Salem, USA
Rain, Hope, Grief & Fall, Fotomuseum Den Haag, The Hague, The Netherlands
Space E6, Shenzhen, China

- 2007** Elegance and Perversity, City Arts Centre, Shoalhaven, Australia
- 2005** Elegance and Perversity, Australian Centre for Photography, Sydney, Australia
Fashion & Style in Photography, Moscow Museum of Modern Art, Moscow, Russia
Imitation of Life, Museo d'Arte Moderna di Bologna, Bologna, Italy
Moving Targets, MonteVideo, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
- 2003** Silver, Groninger Museum, Groningen, The Netherlands
- 1998** Chessmen, Museum Ludwig, Cologne, Germany
- 1993** Joy, Kunsthal, Rotterdam, The Netherlands
Erwin Olaf, Frankfurter Kunstverein, Frankfurt, Germany

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2025** Deep Beauty, Mudec Museo Delle Culture Milano, Milan, Italy
Flowers Forever, The Chioistro del Bramante, Rome, Italy
- 2024** Man - Portraits from the Collection, Fotomuseum Den Haag, The Hague, The Netherlands
Point of View, Rijksmuseum, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
- 2022** Erwin Olaf & Hans Op de Beeck: Inspired by Steichen, Musée national d'histoire et d'art,
Luxembourg City, Luxembourg
FLASH | BACK, Mauritshuis, The Hague, The Netherlands
The Circus We Are, Le Delta House of Culture, Namurs, Belgium
- 2021** FUCK YOU!, Kunstenhuis Harelbeke, Belgium, Belgium
Daegu Photo Biennale, South Korea
- 2020** True Fictions, Palazzo Magnani, Reggio Emilia, Italy
Futuro, Gallerie d'Italia in Vicenza, Vicenza, Italy
Groninger Museum, Groningen, The Netherlands
What will the neighbours say? Museum Morsbroich, Leverkusen, Germany
Il Futuro è ora. Arte e società dagli anni Sessanta a oggi, Gallerie d'Italia Venice, Vicenza, Italy
Museum Morsbroich, Leverkusen, Germany
- 2019** Conciergerie, Paris, France, Marie-Antoinette, Metamorphoses of an Image

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Story Smuggler, Danysz Gallery, Shanghai, China
Photo Brussels Festival, Hangar Art Centre, Brussels, Belgium

- 2018** Cairns Art Gallery, Cairns, Australia
Vogue Like a Painting, Kunstforeningen GL Strand, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2017** Museum Jan Cunen, Oss, The Netherlands
Villa Rot, Rot, Germany
Fabian & Claude Walter Galerie, Zurich, Switzerland
Hangaram Art Museum, Seoul, South Korea
- 2016** After Rodin — Groninger Museum, Groninger Museum, Groningen, The Netherlands
Women's Independence, K11 Art Foundation, Hong Kong, China
Telling Tales: Contemporary Narrative Photography, McNay Art Museum, San Antonio, USA
In Search of the Present, Espoo Museum of Modern Art, Espoo, Finland
Dutch Identity — Dutch Portrait Photography Now, Museum De Fundatie, Zwolle, The Netherlands
Catwalk, Rijksmuseum, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
- 2015** Hendrik Kerstens + Erwin Olaf, Whangarei Art Museum, Whangarei, New Zealand
Vogue: Like A Painting, Museo Thyssen-Bornemisza, Madrid, Spain
Jukebox, Fondation Francès, Senlis, France
Memory Lab: Photography Challenges History, MUDAM, Luxembourg, Luxembourg
Sweet 18, Kasteel D'Ursel, Hingene, Belgium
- 2014** Memory Lab: The Sentimental Turn. Photography Challenges History, Martin-Gropius-Bau, Berlin, Germany
- 2013** Studio Portretten, Amsterdam City Archives, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
WHITE!, Nederlands Fotomuseum, Rotterdam, The Netherlands
- 2012** GuatePhoto 2012, GuatePhoto, Guatemala City, Guatemala
Vanitas Contemporary Reflections, Moscow Museum of Modern Art, Moscow, Russia
Basic Instincts, OCT Art & Design Gallery, Shenzhen, China
MEGACOOOL 4.0, Jugend und Kunst, Künstlerhaus, Vienna, Austria
Only You Only Me — Images of Love, Love of the Image, BIP 2012, Liege, Belgium
- 2011** No Fashion, Please!, Kunsthalle Wien, Vienna, Austria
The Siege of Leiden, Museum De Lakenhal, Leiden, The Netherlands
Kunst Macht Schule, Kunsthalle Darmstadt, Darmstadt, Germany
- 2010** Alexander The Great, Hermitage Amsterdam, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
Decadence Now! Visions of Excess, Galerie Rudolfinum, Prague, Czech Republic

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- Cinema X: I Like to Watch, Museum of Contemporary Canadian Art, Toronto, Canada
Atopia, Art and the City in the 21st Century, CCCB, Barcelona, Spain
- 2009** Pequena Historia de la Fotografia, Centro Galego de Arte Contemporánea, Santiago de Compostela, Spain
The Non-Age, Kunsthalle Winterthur, Winterthur, Switzerland
Dutch Seen: New York Rediscovered, Museum of the City of New York, New York City, USA
Why Look at Animals?, Museum of Contemporary Art, Jacksonville, USA
- 2008** Short Stories in Contemporary Photography, Museum Für Gestaltung, Zurich, Switzerland
- 2007** Expressive Bodies, The Kinsey Institute Gallery, Bloomington, USA
Oog / Eye, FOAM, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
NYC Photo, Phillips, New York City, USA
Dangerous Beauty, Chelsea Art Museum, New York City, USA
- 2006** Cross-Referenced Messages — Talk with Reality in Time, Artium, Vitoria-Gasteiz, Spain
- 2005** Cross-Referenced Messages — Talk with Reality in Time, Salamanca Arts Centre, Salamanca, Spain
Going Dutch, Museum of New Art, Detroit, USA
- 2004** Foto America 2004, Cultural Centre Es Pantagruélico, Santiago, Chile
- 2002** Shock & Show. Realtra e Alternative, Mostra Internazionale D'arte Contemporánea, Trieste, Italy
- 2001** The Body of Art, Bienal de Valencia, Valencia, Spain
- 2000** Bodies, Clothing, Surfaces, Museum Für Kunst und Gewerbe, Hamburg, Germany
- 1991** Haks Was Here, Groninger Museum, Groningen, The Netherlands
- 1988** Behold the Man, The Photographers' Gallery, London, UK

COLLECTIONS

Rijksmuseum, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
Stedelijk Museum Amsterdam, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
National Taiwan Museum of Fine Arts, Taipei, Taiwan
Centro de Arte Contemporáneo de Málaga, Málaga, Spain
Museo de Arte Contemporáneo de Castilla y León, León, Spain
HBC Photo Collection, New York, USA
Neuflize Vie Collections, Paris, France
Musée National d'Histoire et d'Art Luxembourg, Luxembourg
Fotomuseo, Bogota, Colombia
Koo House, Sejong-Myeon, South Korea
Collezione Ettore Molinaro, Italy
21c Museum, USA
Susanne von Meiss Collection, Germany
Museum Arnhem, Arnhem, The Netherlands
Fnac Collection, Paris, France
Musée d'Art Moderne, Grand-Duc Jean, Luxembourg
Sir Elton John Collection, UK and USA
Kunstmuseum Den Haag, The Hague, The Netherlands
Collezione Ettore Molinaro, Milan, Italy
Banco Espirito Santo, Lisbon, Portugal
The Franks-Suss Collection, UK
George Eastman Museum, New York, USA
North Carolina Museum of Art, Raleigh, USA
West Collection, Philadelphia, USA
Museum Ludwig, Cologne, Germany
Groninger Museum, Groningen, The Netherlands
Rabobank, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
Art Progressive Collection, USA
Deutsche Leasing AG, Bad Homburg, Germany
ING Art Collection, The Netherlands
Caldic Collection, The Netherlands
Fondation Francès, Senlis, France
Orefi-Vente-Privee, Philadelphia, USA
Artium, Vitoria-Gasteiz, Spain
Randstad Collection, The Netherlands
Foto Colectania, Barcelona, Spain

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Eye Film Museum, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
Centraal Museum, Utrecht, The Netherlands
Gaasbeek Castle, Lennik, Belgium
Blue Collection, Switzerland
Arad Collection, London, UK
Inelcom Collection, Spain
Coff Collection, Spain
The Margulies Collection at the Warehouse, Miami, USA
Celio, Paris, France
Rosenblum Collection, Paris, France
Salsali Private Museum, Dubai, United Arab Emirates
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, The Hague, The Netherlands
Leslie-Lohman Museum of Gay & Lesbian Art, New York, USA
Radboud University, Medical Centre Collection Nijmegen, The Netherlands
Generali Art Collection, Diemen, The Netherlands
Ars Fundum, Madrid, Spain
Wittenstein AG, Igersheim, Germany
Museum de Lakenhal, Leiden, The Netherlands
Collezione Lanfranchi, Milan, Italy
Fonds National d'Art Contemporain, Paris, France
Van Vlissingen Collection, Switzerland
Wiyu Wahono Collection, Indonesia
The Pushkin Museum, Moscow, Russia
Erarta Museum of Contemporary Art, Saint- Petersburg, Russia
Fitchburg Art Museum, Fitchburg, Massachusetts, USA
Seavest Collection, USA
Portland Art Museum, Portland, Oregon, USA