

MARUANI MERCIER

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Born in London, UK, 1982

Lives and works in Amsterdam, The Netherlands

EDUCATION

2007 - 2009 Post-graduate Institute, De Ateliers, Amsterdam, NL

2004 - 2006 MA (with merit) Fine Art, University of East London, London, UK

2001 - 2004 BA (Hons) Media Studies, University of East London, London, UK

2000 - 2001 (foundation) Camberwell College of Art, London, UK

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2023 Mother Tongue, MARUANI MERCIER Gallery, Brussels, Belgium

2022 Nino Mier Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

2021 The Future Isn't What It Used to Be, MARUANI MERCIER, Knokke, Belgium

2021 I am here because you were there, Galerie Ron Mandos, Amsterdam, NL

2018 The dogs bark, but the caravan goes on, Galerie Ron Mandos, Amsterdam, NL

2015 The Usual Suspects, Galerie Ron Mandos, Amsterdam, NL

2014 Don't Support the Greedy, Museum Arnhem, Arnhem, NL

2011 PERFORMANCE, Galerie Ron Mandos, Amsterdam, NL

2009 I Don't Like Nostalgia Unless it's Mine, Galerie Ron Mandos, Rotterdam, NL

2008 Test, De Ateliers, Amsterdam, NL

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2023 Filling in the Pieces in Black, Curated by June Sarpong, MARUANI MERCIER, Brussels, Belgium & Saatchi Gallery, London, UK

2021 Roaring 20's, Museum Kranenburgh, Bergen, The Netherlands
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2020 The Pearl, Ramp Gallery, London, UK
The Armory Show, Galerie Ron Mandos booth, New York, NY, USA
Realism Nu, Stedelijk Museum Schiedam, Schiedam, NL

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- ME: An Exhibition of Contemporary Self-Portraiture, High Line Nine, Chelsea, New York City,
Empathy I No human is an island, Museum Ijsselstein, Ijsselstein, NL
- 2019 Prix de Rome 2019, The Stedelijk Museum Amsterdam, Amsterdam, NL
Your Voice Matters, Museum Arnhem (De Kerk), Arnhem, NL
- 2018 De Kersentuin (4), KunstRAI, Amsterdam, NL
Common Ground, AkzoNobel Art Foundation, Amsterdam, NL
- 2017 ZOALS JIJ EN IK (LIKE YOU AND ME), Art Chapel, Amsterdam, NL
What's New, Acquisitions, Museum Arnhem, Arnhem, NL
- 2016 What We Have Overlooked, Framer Framed, Amsterdam, NL
ROEMERS DRIELING (III), De Nieuwe Bibliotheek Almere, Almere, NL
ROEMERS DRIELING (II), Bibliotheek Den Haag, The Hague, NL
Roemers Drieling in Nieuwspoot, International Press Centre Nieuwspoot, The Hague, NL
- 2015 Museumnacht 2015 - "Parallel Stories - The Whistleblower and the Dreamcatcher", Arti et Amicitiae, Amsterdam, NL
ROEMERS DRIELING, Centrum voor Beeldende Kunst, Amsterdam, NL
Art Amsterdam 2015, Ron Mandos booth, Amsterdam, NL
'Levenslang', het criminele brein ontleed, museum Het Dolhuys, Haarlem, NL
ZIJ WAS EENS... TETEM Kunstruimte, Enschede, NL
- 2014 'Levenslang', het criminele brein ontleed, museum Het Dolhuys, Haarlem, NL
- 2013 Open Studio, Nordisk Kunstnarsenter Dalsåsen, Dale i Sunnfjord, Norway
Amsterdam Drawing 2013, Stichting Nieuwe Dakota, Amsterdam, NL
Jättekatastrof, Mitt Möllan, Malmö, Sweden
- 2012 Open Studio, Nordisk Kunstnarsenter Dalsåsen, Dale, Norway
Big Show 7, Silas Marder Gallery, Bridgehampton, NY, USA
- 2011 De Volkskrant Beeldende Kunst Prijs 2011, Stedelijk Museum Schiedam, NL
What's New 2, Acquisitions, Museum Arnhem, Arnhem, NL
- 2010 VOLTA6, Ron Mandos booth, Basel, Switzerland
What's New, Acquisitions, Museum Arnhem, Arnhem, NL
Art Rotterdam, Ron Mandos booth, Rotterdam, NL

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- 2009 Offspring, De Ateliers, Amsterdam, NL
Koninklijke Prijs voor de Vrije Schilderkunst (Royal Awards for Painting) (1st Prize),
Koninklijk Paleis, Amsterdam, NL
- 2007 Art In Mind, The Brick Lane Gallery, London, England
Disposable Fetish, Bow Arts Trust, London, England
- 2006 Memory & the Stream of Time, APT Gallery, London, England
Final Exhibition, UEL MA Fine Art, London, England
Student Show, UEL AVA, London, England
- 2005 Works On Paper, RK Burk Gallery, London, England
End of year show, UEL AVA, London, England

RESIDENCES & AWARDS

- 2019 (Nominee) for Prix de Rome 2019, The Netherlands
- 2017 Development Budget, Amsterdams Fonds voor de Kunst, The Netherlands
- 2016 Werkbijdrage Bewezen Talent, Mondriaan Fonds, The Netherlands
- 2013 Mondriaan Fonds, (Investment project Artist) The Netherlands
- 2013 Nordic Kunstnarsenter Dalsåsen, Dale, Norway (residency)
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- 2012 Fonds BKVB, (Work Budget), The Netherlands
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- 2011 (Nominee) De Volkskrant Beeldende Kunst Prijs 2011, The Netherlands
- 2010 Starter Stipendium, Fonds BKVB, NL
- 2009 Koninklijke Prijs voor Vrije Schilderkunst, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

COLLECTIONS

Stedelijk Museum Amsterdam, Amsterdam, NL
Ministry of the Interior and Kingdom Relations of The Netherlands, Den Haag, NL
Stedelijk Museum Schiedam, Schiedam, NL
21C Museum Hotels, USA
The Collection of Beth Rudin DeWoody, USA
Mana Contemporary, Chicago, USA
AkzoNobel Art Foundation, Amsterdam, NL
Fries Museum, Leeuwarden, NL
Museum Arnhem, Arnhem, NL
Robert & Renee Drake Collection, Wassenaar, NL
Private collections in the United Kingdom, the Netherlands, Sweden, Norway, Germany, Iceland,
the United States, Belgium, South Africa and Switzerland

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OTHER

- 2020 - 2021 Artist tutor, Painting and Printmaking department, Royal Academy of Art, The Hague, NL
- 2019 Artist talk/guest tutor, De Ateliers, Amsterdam, NL
Artist tutor, Painting and Printmaking department, Royal Academy of Art, The Hague, NL
- 2018 Artist talk, The dogs bark, but the caravan goes on, Galerie Ron Mandos, Amsterdam, The Netherland
- Individual mentoring/tutoring 2nd year Fine Art Students from Minerva and Gerrit Rietveld Academies
- 2017 Artist lecture, Read My World Festival 2017 "Black USA, Literature of the Resistance", Tolhuistuin Amsterdam/Framer Framed, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
- 2016 Artist talk, 'Event: Farewell to the hermetic monoculture', Framer Framed, Amsterdam, The Netherlands.
- 2015 Artist lecture/teaching, Leeds Beckett University, Leeds, UK
- 2014 Artist lecture, 'Marlene Dumas: The Power of Photography & The Power of Painting', 23 Nov 2014, Teijin Auditorium, Stedelijk Museum, Amsterdam, The Netherlands