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Jan

De Vliegheer

b. 1964, Bruges, Belgium

Jan de Vliegheer is known for his paintings in which color and composition take precedent over subject matter. De Vliegheer captures his subjects with vigorous yet controlled brushwork; working 'alla prima', wet paint on wet paint to achieve a sense of vitalized reality. Often using large brushes, even a broom can double as a painter's brush, he applies the paint with skillful accuracy, limiting each and every stroke to match his intentions. The compilation of paint, forms, light, and shadows result in a perfect harmony of movement. The resulting effect is that his works appear to capture a moment in transition, a brief and fleeting moment in time.

De Vliegheer uses the photographic imagery as a starting point in his work. However, the paintings do not imitate, or mimic reality. De Vliegheer attaches no importance to the narrative or anecdotic aspect but is constantly searching for universal situations. Ordinary objects and events from his own environment are captured on film, compositionally reorganized and transformed into a painting in surprisingly strong colors. He knows exactly how to convincingly paint an effect of light or darkness with a particular brush technique, or how to suggest a specific material. The thick paint texture gives his work a sensual touch.

Education

1968 MA Fine Art, Hoger Instituut voor Beeldende Kunsten Sint-Lucas, Ghent, Belgium

Solo Exhibitions

2025 Ebba Bozorgnia, Torekov, Sweden
Thomas Fuchs, Versailles, France
Pleasure Gardens, Zwart Huis, Brussels, Belgium

2024 Aqualex, Knokke, Knokke-Heist, Belgium

2023 Mudel, Deinze Museum van Deinze en de Leiestreek, Deinze, Belgium
Myriad Pursuits, Museum van Deinze en de Leiestreek, Deinze, Belgium
Splendor Blossoms, Brandt Gallery, Amsterdam, Netherlands

2022 Apothicairerie et autre trésor, Galerie Zwart Huis, Belgium

2021 People, Thomas Fuch Gallery, Germany
Thomas Fuch Gallery, Germany
Rarity Summer Contemporary Exhibition, Rarity Gallery, Mykonos

2020 Rarity Summer Contemporary Exhibition, Rarity Gallery, Mykonos

2019 During All The Year 2019, Rarity Gallery, Mykonos, Greece
What you see is what you see, Städtische galerie Neunkirchen, Neunkirchen, Germany
Plush, Galerie Zwart Huis, Brussel, Belgium
Jan de Vliegheer, Kunstverein Münsterland, Germany

2018 Garden, Galerie Zwart Huis, Knokke, Belgium
Beach, Thomas Fuch Gallery, Germany

2017 Plates II, Galerie Zwart Huis, Brussels, Belgium

2016 Recent Paintings, Gow langsford Gallery, Auckland City, New Zealand
SILK, Galerie Zwart Huis, Knokke, Belgium

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- 2015 Malerei, Munsterlandfestival, galerie Hovestadt, Nottuln, Germany
2014 Jan De Vlieghe Interiors, Galerie Zwart Huis, Knokke (B)
Recent Paintings, Gow Langsford Gallery, Auckland City, New Zealand
SPRING, Recent Paintings, Lars Bohman Gallery, Stockholm, Sweden
2013 Koi, Mike Weiss Gallery, New York, NY
2013 Cherubs, Galerie Zwart Huis, Knokke, Belgium
Collections, Roberto Polo Gallery, Brussels, Belgium
2012 Treasury, Mike Weiss Gallery, New York, NY
Treasury, Galerie Zwart Huis, Knokke, Belgium
2011 Pleasure Gardens, Galerie Zwart Huis, Knokke, Belgium
Schatzkammer, Kasteel van Gaasbeek, Brussels, Belgium (Cat.)
Recent Paintings, Venice Projects, Venice, Italy
Recent Paintings, Angelika Knapper Gallery, Stockholm, Sweden
2010 Cinque Terre, Galerie Zwart Huis, Knokke, Belgium (Catalogue)
Still Life, Galerie Ruth Leuchter, Dusseldorf, Germany
2009 Capitoli, Galerie Zwart Huis, Knokke, Belgium
Facades and Statues, Angelika Knapper Gallery, Stockholm, Sweden
2008 Schatzkammer, Galerie Zwart Huis, Knokke, Belgium
2007 Still Life, Galerie Zwart Huis, Knokke, Belgium
Nature, Galerie Knäpper+Baumgarten, Stockholm, Sweden
2006 Recent paintings, Galerie Brennecke, Berlin, Germany
2005 People, Galerie Knäpper+Baumgarten, Stockholm, Sweden
Recent paintings, Galerie Brennecke, Berlin, Germany
2004 Reflections, Galerie Zwart Huis, Knokke, Belgium
Recent paintings, Galerie Knäpper+Baumgarten, Stockholm, Sweden
Cultuurcentrum, Bruges, Belgium (Catalogue)
2003 Recent paintings, Galerie Brennecke, Berlin, Germany
2002 Fruits, Galerie Zwart Huis, Knokke, Belgium
2001 What you see is what you see, Galerie Zwart Huis, Knokke, Belgium
Back to basics, Galerie Mercator, Antwerp, Belgium (Catalogue)
2000 Galerie William Wauters, Oosteklo, Belgium
1999 W139, Amsterdam, Netherlands
1998 Vereniging Museum Hedendaagse Kunst, Ghent, Belgium

Group Exhibitions

- 2026 Rarity Gallery, Mykonos, Greece
Celebrating 10 Years, Brandt Gallery, Amsterdam, Netherlands
Het bewoonde huis, Maison des Arts, Brussels, Belgium
Salon D'hiver, Laurent Van Middellem Gallery, Knokke, Belgium
2025 Art Luxembourg, Zwart Huis Gallery, Luxembourg
Antica Namur, with Laurent Van Middellem Gallery, Knokke, Belgium
Parreyt Gallery, Knokke, Belgium
Guest Artist, Gallery van Middellem, Knokke, Belgium
POLYCHROOM, Stad Brugge, Brussels, Belgium
2024 Kasteel De Cellen (human/nature), Oostkamp, Belgium
Art Luxembourg, Zwart Huis Gallery Luxembourg
Volta Art Basel, Thomas Fuchs Gallery Basel, Switzerland
Licked by the waves, Museum More, Gorssel, Netherlands

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- 2023 A PRO POT, Huize St. Bonaventura, Gent, Belgium
Art Karlsruhe, Thomas Fuchs Gallery, Stuttgart, Germany
- 2022 Lille Art up, Galerie Provost-Hacker, Lille, France
Flowers, Galerie Thomas Fuchs, Stuttgart, Germany
VOLTA Basel, Galerie Thomas Fuchs, Basel, Switzerland
- 2021 19de Biennale Hedendaagse Kunst, Poeke, Belgium
- 2019 Neuerwerbungen der Sammlung Hense, Gescher, Germany
Art Miami, Miami, USA, Galerie Thomas Fuchs, Stuttgart, Germany
19de Biennale Hedendaagse Kunst, Poeke, Belgium
Positions Berlin, Galerie Thomas Fuchs, Stuttgart, Germany
Hense Collection, Gescher, Germany
Downtown painting, curated by Alex Katz, Peter Freeman Gallery, New York, USA
During all the year 2019, Rarity Gallery, Mykonos, Greece
Art Karlsruhe, with Thomas Fuchs Gallery, Karlsruhe, Germany
- 2018 "Treasures of the Home", Blaafarveværket Museum, Buskerud, Norway
Art Paris, Paris, with Rutger Brandt Gallery, Amsterdam
VOLTA, Basel's art fair for new international positions, with Rutger Brandt Gallery, Amsterdam
Positions Berlin Art Fair, with Thomas Fuchs Gallery, Germany
Art Karlsruhe, Germany with Thomas Fuch Gallery, Germany
BAD Belgium Art & Design, Gent, Belgium with Galerie Zwart Huis, Knokke, Belgium
- 2017 Volta NY, USA with Brandt Gallery, Netherlands
Un bal masqué. XVIIIe siècle & art contemporain, Le Chateau De Nyon, Switzerland
Between Earth and Heaven II, Brugge. A tribute to Willy Van den Bussche. PAK, Gistel, Belgium
Pan Amsterdam Art Fair, Amsterdam, with Rutger Brandt Gallery, Amsterdam
BAD Belgium Art & Design, Gent, Belgium with Galerie Zwart Huis, Knokke, Belgium
- 2016 Just another f***ing Artgallery, Gow Langsford Gallery, Auckland city, New Zealand
- 2015 My Blue China. La mondialisation en bleu et blanc, Musée Ariana, Ville de Genève, Switzerland
Kunst @ Rode Kruis, Klooster Sancta Maria, Ronse Belgium
Spring, Gow Langsford gallery, Oakland, New Zealand
La mondialisation en bleu et blanc, my blue China, Fondation Bernardaut, Limoges, France
Sweet 18, kasteel d'Ursel, Hingene, Belgium
Seascapes, galerie Zwart Huis, Knokke, Belgium
- 2013 Panorama, Lars Bohman Gallery, Stockholm, Sweden
B.Art Gent, Belgium with Galerie Zwart Huis, Knokke, Belgium
- 2012 Abstracte Realiteit, Jan Garemijnzaal, Brugge, Belgium
B.Art Gent, Belgium with Galerie Zwart Huis, Knokke, Belgium
- 2011 Srelacart, Galerie E105, Berlin, Germany
Art Fair Tokyo, Berengo Studio, Venice, Italy
Art Paris, Venice Projects, Venice, Italy
Art Palm Beach, Bergengo Studio, Venice, Italy
- 2010 Fine Art Fair, San Fransisco, USA with Venice Projects, , Venice, Italy
Art Chicago, USA with Venice Projects, Chicago, USA
Art Brussels, Belgium with Galerie Zwart Huis, Knokke, Belgium
Art Toronto, Canada with Venice Projects, Venice, Italy
Transparantie, De Halle, Geel, Belgium
Meer, Voorkamer, Lier, Belgium

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- 2009 Fading, Museum van Elsene, Brussels, Belgium (Catalogue)
Art Brussels, Belgium with Galerie Zwart Huis, Knokke, Belgium
- 2008 Art Brussels, Belgium with Galerie Zwart Huis, Knokke, Belgium
- 2007 En passant, Galerie Epikur, Wuppertal, Germany
Von der Schönheit des Alltäglichen, Galerie Epikur, Wuppertal, Germany
Mons-Bruges 1-1, La machine a l'eau, Mons, Belgium
Art Cologne, Germany with Knäpper+Baumgarten, Stockholm, Sweden
- 2006 Van't Swin tot Ysendyck, Le coin couleurs, IJzendijk, Netherlands
Art Cologne, Germany with Knäpper+Baumgarten, Stockholm, Sweden
- 2005 Art Cologne, Germany with Knäpper+Baumgarten, Stockholm, Sweden
- 2003 Marines in confrontatie, Beaufort 2003, Museum for Modern Art,
Ostend, Belgium (Catalogue)
Art Brussels, Belgium with Galerie Zwart Huis, Knokke, Belgium
- 2002 De Slang, Octopusproject, Bruges, Belgium (Catalogue)
Los Jardines de Granada, Museum for Modern Art, Ostend, Belgium (Catalogue)
Hofvijver in Poëzie en Beeld, The Hague, Netherlands (Catalogue)
Art Brussels, Belgium with Galerie Zwart Huis, Knokke, Belgium
- 2001 Een beeld van een beeld, De Markten, Brussels, Belgium
Laureaat Provinciale prijs West-Vlaanderen, Laureaat, Scharpoord Knokke, Belgium