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This Means Tableau (2019), Laure Prouvost. Foto: Peter Cox

Van Abbemuseum presenteert bijzondere pop-up tentoonstelling over kunst en klimaat

Hoe verhouden kunstwerken zich tot klimaatverandering? In het voorjaar van 2025 sluit een deel van het Van Abbemuseum tijdelijk vanwege belangrijke klimaatwerkzaamheden. Deze verduurzamen het gebouw en zorgen voor een betere bescherming van kunstwerken. Door deze werkzaamheden moeten 120 kunstwerken – nu te zien in de collectiepresentatie *Dwarsverbanden* – tijdelijk een ander onderkomen vinden. Deze uitdaging vraagt om een innovatieve oplossing: een bijzondere pop-up tentoonstelling die de relatie tussen kunst en klimaat onderzoekt, te zien van 8 maart t/m 21 april.

Begin maart worden ongeveer 120 kunstwerken uit de collectiepresentatie *Dwarsverbanden* van het collectiegebouw naar de oudbouw verplaatst. Dat brengt een logistische uitdaging met zich mee. De 120 werken worden nu uitgestrek over vijf verdiepingen gepresenteerd terwijl er in de oudbouw maar één verdieping met drie zalen beschikbaar is. Assistant-curator Chala Itai Westerman werkte samen met het collectie- en technische team om hedendaagse kwesties aan de orde te stellen en een unieke tentoonstelling te creëren. In *Dwarsverbanden Reshuffled: materiaal en klimaat* gaan kunst en klimaat niet elkaar in gesprek. In elke zaal worden minstens 40 werken tentoongesteld in een speciale 'depotopstelling'. De presentatie van deze werken laat ons nadenken over de rol van kunst binnen duurzaamheid. Kunst oversteigt in deze tentoonstelling het alleen hebben van esthetische aantrekkracht: het dient juist katalysator om dringende hedendaagse thema's met elkaar te verbinden.

Welke werken zijn er te zien?

In *Dwarsverbanden Reshuffled* worden de werken gepresenteerd aan de hand van hoe gevoelig ze zijn voor veranderingen in het klimaat. In de eerste zaal zijn de werken te zien die het meest gevoelig zijn voor schommelingen in klimaat. Denk aan de tekeningen van El Lissitzky uit de serie *Proun*, fotografie van Rineke Dijkstra en het textielwerk *This Means Tableau* van Laure Prouvost. In zaal twee worden kunstwerken met een gemiddelde kwetsbaarheid tentoongesteld. Denk aan het bekende *Monochrome Blue, sans titre* (IKB 63) van Yves Klein, stanley brown's meetinstrumenten van metaal en Otobong Nkanga. Verrassend genoeg zijn olieverfschilderijen, waaronder kopstukken als *Buste de femme* van Pablo Picasso, *Volkslogement* van Charley Toorop en *Angela Davis #2* van Iris Kensmil minder gevoelig voor klimaatschommelingen.



Buste de femme (1943), Pablo Picasso. Foto: Peter Cox

Aanvullend programma en tickets tijdens tijdelijke sluiting

Tijdens de tijdelijke sluiting ontvangen bezoekers een voucher voor een gratis vervolgbezoek. Museumkaart en VIP-kaarthouders ontvangen een voucher om bij herhaalbezoek gratis een gast mee te nemen. De dinsdagmiddag tussen 15:00 en 17:00 blijft tijdens de sluiting gratis. Het aanvullende programma tijdens de sluiting wordt op korte termijn bekendgemaakt via de website van het Van Abbemuseum.

Waarom klimaatwerkzaamheden?

Het klimaatstelsel in het museum speelt een onmisbare rol in het beschermen van de kunstwerken tegen schommelingen in temperatuur, luchtvochtigheid en licht. Klimaatbeheersing is noodzakelijk om kunstwerken van kwetsbare materialen zoals hout, textiel, papier en verf in optimale staat te houden. Tegelijkertijd is het een enorme energieverbruik binnen de culturele sector. Met de installatie van deze nieuwe warmtepomp zet het Van Abbemuseum een belangrijke stap richting verduurzaming.

Meer over Dwarsverbanden

De presentatie *Dwarsverbanden Reshuffled* vervangt tijdelijk de collectiepresentatie *Dwarsverbanden*. De collectiepresentatie opent weer op 27 april. Meer over de collectiepresentatie *Dwarsverbanden*: Met ruim 25 multizintuiglijke tools, waaronder teksten in braille, geurinterpretaties, voeltekeningen en sound scapes, is *Dwarsverbanden* de eerste volledig multizintuiglijke collectiepresentatie van Nederland. De tentoonstelling verricht ieders kunstervaring en maakt de kunstwerken toegankelijk voor een grotere diversiteit aan bezoekers, waaronder rolstoelgebruikers en mensen met een visuele- en gehoorbeperking.

Dwarsverbanden wordt mogelijk gemaakt:

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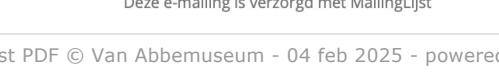
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Additional programme and tickets during temporary closure

Visitors will receive a voucher for a free return visit during the temporary closure. Museumkaart and VIP cardholders will receive a voucher allowing them to bring a guest for free on their return visits. Tuesday afternoons between 3:00 PM and 5:00 PM will remain free of charge during the closure. The additional programme during the closure will be announced shortly on the Van Abbemuseum website.

Why change the climate system?

The museum's climate system plays an essential role in protecting the artworks from fluctuations in temperature, humidity and light. Climate control is necessary to keep artworks made of fragile materials such as wood, textiles, paper and paint in optimal condition. At the same time, it is a huge energy consumer within the cultural sector. By installing this new heat pump, the Van Abbemuseum is taking an important step towards sustainability.

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