

Ruud van Empel

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Education

Academy of Fine Arts Sint Joost Breda 1976-1981

Awards

1981 St. Joost prize
1993 Charlotte Köhlerprize
2001 H.N. Werkmanprize
2013 Municipality of Breda Oeuvre-prize
2017 Artist of the Year/American Friends of Museums in Israel-NYC

Solo Exhibitions (selection)

2023 STEDELIJK MUSEUM BREDA Breda, The Netherlands
2022 VB PHOTOGRAPHY CENTRE Kuopio, Finland
2021 VAN GOGH HOUSE Zundert, The Netherlands
2020 HANGAR ART CENTRE Brussels, Belgium
2019 MUSEUM BELVEDERE Heerenveen, The Netherlands
2017 JACKSON FINE ART Atlanta, U.S.A.
2017 BEETLES + HUXLEY London, United Kingdom
2016 FLATLAND GALLERY Amsterdam, The Netherlands
2015 FOTO ART FESTIVAL Bielsko-Biala, Poland
2015 BEETLES + HUXLEY London, United Kingdom
2015 PHOTO PHNOM PENH Cambodia 2015
2014 STUX GALLERY New York, U.S.A.
2014 JACKSON FINE ART Atlanta, U.S.A.
2014 FLATLAND GALLERY Amsterdam, The Netherlands
2014 NOORDBRABANTS MUSEUM 's-Hertogenbosch, The Netherlands
2013 FOTOGRAFISKA Stockholm, Sweden
2013 FoMu, FOTOMUSEUM Antwerpen, Belgium
2012 MoPA-MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS San Diego, USA
2011 GRONINGER MUSEUM Groningen, The Netherlands
2011 STUX GALLERY New York, USA
2011 FLATLAND GALLERY Utrecht, The Netherlands
2010 NOORDBRABANTS MUSEUM 's-Hertogenbosch, The Netherlands
2010 ART+ ART GALLERY Moscow, Russia
2010 STUX GALLERY New York, USA
2009 GALLERY TERRA TOKYO Tokyo, Japan
2009 FLATLAND PARIS Paris, France
2009 STUX GALLERY New York, USA
2009 LEICA GALERIE LGP, PRAGUE Prague, Czech Republic
2008 CB COLLECTION ROPPOINGI Tokyo, Japan
2008 KUNSTVEREIN "TALSTRASSE" e.V. Halle (Saale), Germany
2007 MUSEUM HET VALKHOF Nijmegen, The Netherlands
2007 STUX GALLERY New York, USA
2007 GALERIE RABOUAN-MOUSSION Paris, France
2006 FLATLAND GALLERY Utecht, The Netherlands
2006 JACKSON FINE ART Atlanta, USA
2006 STUX GALLERY New York, USA
2005 NOORD BRABANTS MUSEUM 's-Hertogenbosch, The Netherlands
2005 DSM HOOFDKANTOOR Heerlen, The Netherlands
2004 TZR GALERIE FÜR BILDENDE KUNST Bochum, Germany
2001 GALERIA BERINI Barcelona, Spain
2000 CARTAGENA GALERIA Murcia, Spain
2000 ENCONTROS DA IMAGEM Braga, Portugal
1999 CARMEN OBERST KUNSTRAUM Hamburg, Germany
1999 FOTOFORUM-ARMANDO MUSEUM Amersfoort, The Netherlands
1999 GRONINGER MUSEUM Groningen, The Netherlands
1998 TORCH GALLERY Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Group Exhibitions (selection)

2021 PHOTO OOSTENDE Oostende, Belgium
2020 GRONINGER MUSEUM Groningen, The Netherlands
2020 NRW-FORUM Düsseldorf, Germany
2019 NORTON MUSEUM OF ART, W.Palm Beach Florida, USA
2019 MUSEO DEL PAESAGGIO Venice, Italy
2018 MoCP Museum of Contemporary Photography Chicago, USA
2018 PHOTOBUSSELS FESTIVAL Brussels, Belgium
2017 NASSAU COUNTY MUSEUM OF ART New York, USA
2017 RIJKSMUSEUM VAN OUDHEDEN Leiden, The Netherlands
2017 KUNSTHAL KaDe Amersfoort, The Netherlands
2017 VICKI MYHREN GALLERY Denver, USA
2017 JOODS HISTORISCH MUSEUM Amsterdam, The Netherlands
2016 COLLECTORS VIEW Amsterdam, The Netherlands
2016 NRW FORUM Düsseldorf, Germany
2016 PHOTOFESTIVAL BELA HORIZANTE Brazil
2016 PHOTOFESTIVAL ISTANBUL Istanbul, Turkey
2016 MoPA-MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS San Diego, USA
2016 FESTIVAL PORTRAIT(S) Vichy, France
2016 DE VISHAL Haarlem, The Netherlands
2015 UCONN, UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT Connecticut, USA
2015 MUNSTERLAND FESTIVAL Lüdinghausen, Germany
2014 MUSEUM DR.GUISLAIN Gent, Belgium
2014 YELLOWSTONE ARTMUSEUM Billings Montana, USA
2013 MUSEUM HET VALKHOF Nijmegen, The Netherlands
2012 MOTI MUSEUM Breda, The Netherlands
2011 SEOUL ARTS CENTER Seoul, Korea
2011 FUNDACAO BIENAL Sao Paulo, Brazil
2011 DANZIGER PROJECTS New York, USA
2011 MUSEUM DR.GUISLAIN Gent, Belgium
2011 MUSEUM HET VALKHOF Nijmegen, The Netherlands
2010 LUMC Leiden, The Netherlands
2010 SHAY ARYE GALLERY Tel Aviv, Israel
2010 KUNSTHALLE DARMSTADT Darmstadt, Germany
2010 THE PORTSMOUTH MUSEUM OF FINE ART Portsmouth, USA
2010 GORCUMS MUSEUM Gorinchem, The Netherlands
2010 MUSEUM HET VALKHOF Nijmegen, The Netherlands
2009 ANTI-CRISES AHA-KUNSTPROJEKT Hasselt, Belgium
2009 21C MUSEUM Louisville Kentucky, USA
2009 ULSAN CULTURE AND ARTS CENTER Ulsan, Korea
2009 HANGARAM DESIGN MUSEUM Seoul Arts Center, Seoul, Korea
2009 THE JOHN AND MABLE RINGLING MUSEUM OF ART Sarasota, Florida, USA
2009 DARMSTÄDTER TAGE DER FOTOGRAFIE Darmstadt, Germany
2008 MUSEUM KUNST PALAST Düsseldorf, Germany
2008 ARTI ET AMICITIAE Amsterdam, The Netherlands
2008 DES MOINES ART CENTRE Des Moines, Iowa, USA
2008 NORTH CAROLINA MUSEUM OF ART Raleigh, North Carolina, USA
2008 SCHERINGA MUSEUM VOOR REALISME Spanbroek, The Netherlands
2007 THE DAVID WINTON BELL GALLERY Brown University, Rhode Island, USA
2007 MoPA-MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS San Diego, CA, USA
2007 BELLEZZA PERICOLOSA Pan, Naples, Italy
2007 STUX GALLERY New York, USA
2007 PINCHUK ART CENTER Kiev, Ukraine
2007 PHOTOFESTIVAL NAARDEN Naarden Vesting, The Netherlands
2007 GALERIE 4, GALERIE FOTOGRAFIE Cheb, Czech Republic
2007 UNIVERSITY OF IOWA MUSEUM OF ART Iowa City, Iowa, USA
2007 DES MOINES ART CENTER Des Moines, Iowa, USA
2007 CHELSEA ART MUSEUM New York, USA
2007 CATHERINE CLARK GALLERY San Francisco, USA
2006 STUX GALLERY New York, USA
2006 THE ART OMI INTERNATIONAL ARTS CENTER The Fields Sculpture Park, NY, USA
2006 HOUSE OF PHOTOGRAPY MOSCOW Russia
2006 GEORGE EASTMAN HOUSE Rochester New York, USA
2005 FOTO ANTWERPEN 2005 Galerie Baudelaire Antwerp, Belgium
2005 GEM GEMEENTEMUSEUM Den Haag, The Netherlands
2003 PHOTOBINNALE LIEGE Liege, Belgium
2003 SCHERINGA MUSEUM VOOR REALISME Spanbroek, The Netherlands
2003 FOTOFESTIVAL NAARDEN The Netherlands
2003 FOTOBINNALE ROTTERDAM The Netherlands
2002 UNIVERSITEIT VAN TILBURG, FAXX Tilburg, The Netherlands
2002 KUNSTHAL DE REMISE, SBK Amsterdam, The Netherlands
2001 ART-TWENTE Enschedé, The Netherlands
2000 PRIMAVERA FOTOGRAFICA Barcelona, Spain
1999 FOTOMANIFESTATIE NOORDERLICHT Groningen, The Netherlands
1998 ARTI ET AMICITIAE Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Exhibition Catalogues and books

2020 25 YEARS OF PHOTOWORKS, Hangar/Book Hangar Photo Art Center, Brussels
2019 MAKING NATURE, Museum Belvedere/Book Museum Belvedere, Heerenveen
2016 ARCHIVE-1980-2000, Ruud van Empel/Book PhotoWorks International BV
2016 SOUVENIR D'ITIME Gallery Catalogue PhotoWorks International BV
2015 RUUD VAN EMPEL Gallery Catalogue Beetles + Huxley, London
2012 SUNDAY CHAPTER/Cahier Flatland Gallery, Special limited edition
2011 PHOTOWORKS 1995-2010/Book Groninger Museum - MoPA San Diego
2011 WONDER/Catalogue Stefan Stux Gallery
2009 PHOTOWORKS 2006-2008/Catalogue PhotoWorks International BV
2008 RUUD VAN EMPEL FOTOGRAFIE/Catalogue Kunstverein Talstrasse e.V. Halle/Saale
2007 PHOTO SKETCH/Book PhotoWorks International BV
2007 PHOTO-ARCHIVE/Book PhotoWorks International BV
2007 WORLD, MOON & VENUS/Book Museum Het Valkhof, Nijmegen
2006 WORLD MOON/Catalogue Galerie Kai Bruckner
2005 STUDY IN GREEN/Book TZR Galerie Kai Bruckner
2001 PHOTO-ALBUM#1 PhotoSeries 1996 - 2001/Book BiS Publishers
1999 AFFICHE-ONTWERPEN/Catalogue Groninger Museum
1998 THE OFFICE/Catalogue Torch Books
1996 PHOTOGRAPHICS/Book PhotoWorks International BV

Group Exhibition Catalogues & Books (selection)

2020 MASTERS OF PHOTOGRAPHY 134 pages, Text by Michael Mulino and Arpad Kovacs, Published by San Diego Museum of Art P. 129
2016 BLING BLING BABY 192 pages, Text by Nadine Barth, Published by Hatje Cantz Verlag, Berlin P. 100-101&190
2015 HYPERGRAPHIA 636 pages, The writing of David Sylvian 1980-2014, Published by Samadhisound P. 518-523
2015 FROM DARKROOM TO DAYLIGHTLIGHT 175 pages, Text by Harvey Wang, Published by Daylight Community Arts Foundation P. 38-39 & 76-78 & 162
2014 100 MIRADAS EL ARTE CONTEMPORANEO Arte Al Limite 300 pages, Text by Kristell Pfeiffer P. 150-156
2014 DROOMKUNST 1900 & 2000 W Books & Singer Laren 192 pages, Text by Gerard van Wezel & Mariette Haveman P. 29-31&176
2014 AL LIMITE, 10 YEARS OF TRAYECTORY Arte Al Limite 532 pages, Text by Kristell Pfeiffer P. 219-227
2011 PHOTOGRAPHY EXTENDED Museum Het Valkhof 64 pages, Text by Frank van de Schoor, Deborah Klochko, Antoon Melissen P. 8 & 52-55
2012 COLLECT CONTEMPORARY PHOTOGRAPHY Thames & Hudson 208 pages, Text by Jocelyn Phillips P. 182-183
2012 ZOET & ZOÛT Nai Uitgevers 296 pages, Text by Tracey Metz & Maartje van den Heuvel P. 276-277
2011 GEVAARLIJK JONG, Museum Dr Guislain/Lannoo 292 pages, Text by Ralf de Rycke & eight different writers P. 110-111
2011 FOTO(=)KUNST Museum Het Valkhof 64 pages, Text by Frank van de Schoor, Martin Rogge and Ruud van Empel P. 13 & P 32-35
2010 APRES LA PHOTOGRAPHIE? Gallimard 160 pages, Text by Quentin Bajac P. 121
2009 VISIONS-AUSSICHT AUFS LEBEN Darmstädter Tage der Fotografie 262 pages, Text by Albrecht Haag and others P. 102-107 & 227
2009 EMPORIO#3 La Santa& BAC! Festival 218 pages, Text by Natasha Christia P. 206-207
2010 MODERN ART FOR SALE Die bedeutendsten Kunstmessen der Welt, Deutsch. 224 pages Text by Henry Werner, Published by Fey Media P. 162-163
2008 DIANA UND ACTAEOEN Der Verbotene Blick auf die Nacktheit, Deutsch. 316 pages Text by Beat Wismer & Sandra Badelt, Published by Hanje Cantz P. 281 & P 284
2008 BOMMERT PHOTOGRAPHY, Photography & Imagination, Essays by Maartje van den Heuvel Roymerth Boonstra, Lotte Menkman & Eric Min, 280 pages, Publisher Voetnoot Publishers, Antwerp
2007 PHOTO ART The New World of Photography, English. 520 pages Text by uta Grosenick & Thomas Seelig, Published by Thames & Hudson.P 122-127 & 269
2007 PHOTO ART Fotografie im 21. Jahrhundert, Deutsch. 544 pages Text by uta Grosenick & Thomas Seelig, Published by Dumond Buchverlag, Köln.P 130-133
2007 EMOTICON, 10e EPSON FOTOFESTIVAL NAARDEN, 176 pages Text Dick Breebaart. Published by Fotofestival Naarden. P. 17
2007 AN INSTINCTIVE EYE, A selection of contemporary photographs from the Sir Elton John Collection 156 pages Text Peter Doroshenko, Foreword by Jane Jackson. Published by Pinchuk Art Centre P. 118-125
2007 KIDS, Julie Blackmon, Jill Greenberg, Ruud van Empel, 16 pages Text Jo-Ann Conklin. Published by David Winton Bell Gallery, Brown University P. 1 & 12-17
2007 Pamela Roberts - A CENTURY OF COLOUR PHOTOGRAPHY in the autochrome to the digital age, Pages: 256 Carlton Publishing Group, Publisher: Andre Deutsch Ltd. P 202-203 & 222-223 & 244
2006 C, INTERNATIONAL PHOTO MAGAZINE, Number four, 308 pages Text by David Furnish, Published by Ivory Press Ltd. Publication. P. 30-31
2007 MEET THE NEW YOU, Des Moines Art Center, 32 pages Text Laura Burkhalter. Des Moines Art Center. P. 20-23
2006 PICTURING EDEN-GEORGE EASTMAN HOUSE, International Museum of Photography and Film Rochester New York Januari 2006, 192 pages, Text by Deborah Klochko, Published by Steidl P. 11 & P 137-144
2006 SCHILDERS VAN EEN ANDERE WERKELIJKHEID, 256 pages Text Emily Ansink. Published Scheringa Museum voor Realisme P. 217
2006 PHOTOBINNALE 2006 MOSKOU, 230 pages Text Olga Svioblova. Published Maison de la Photographie de Moskou P. 84-85
2006 Ray Merrit - FULL OF GRACE, A journey through the history of childhood 400 pages Published by Damiani for UNICEF P. 289.
2006 ART IN ACTION, Natural World Museum, English, 176 pages Text by Noa Jones, Foreword by Achim Steiner, Curated by Randy Rosenberg. P 46-47
2005 UNLOCKED #2, Rabo Kunstcollectie Art Collection, 306 pages Text by Marieke van Schijndel, Foreword by Hans ten Cate. P. 136-137 & P 292
2003 COMO SI NADA, Coleccion Juan Redon, 158 pages Text Javier Gonzalez de Durana, Fundacio Foto Colectania. P. 106-107
2003 FOTO ANTWERPEN 2005, FotoMuseum Antwerpen, 96 pages Text Christoph Ruys, Isabelle Pateer. Published by FotoMuseum Provincie Antwerpen. P. 32-33
2003 BOUNDLESS, FOTOFESTIVAL NAARDEN, 174 pages Text Dick Breebaart. Published by Fotofestival Naarden. P. 10-11
2002 OOG IN OOG, Hedendaagse Nederlandse Fotografie, 248 pages Text Adriaan Monshouwer, Foreword by John Loose. Published by SBK/de Verbeelding P. 70-74
2003 FOTOCOLLECTIE HOBOKEN, Fotografie Biennale Rotterdam, 24 pages Text Joke Legerstee. Published by Erasmus MC. P. 12
2002 HET VERLIES VAN ONSCHULD, Universiteit van Tilburg, 158 pages Text Moniek IJzermans. Published by Damon/Carvel. P. 49-53
2000 PRIMAVERA FOTOGRAFICA 2000, Barcelona, 408 pages Text by Jordi Vilajoana. Published by Generalitat de Catalunya/dept. de Cultura. P. 128-129
1999 FRAMES IN 99, Noorderlicht Fotofestival, 96 pages Text Eddie Marsman. Published by Stichting Aurora Borealis P. 1 & 80-81

Collections (selection)

USA

The Alturas Foundation, San Antonio, Texas
Chaney Collection Houston, Texas
Des Moines Art Center Des Moines, Iowa
George Eastman House Rochester New York
Christian Louboutin Paris, New York
Jeff Morr Collection Miami, Florida
Maxine Taupin Los Angeles
MoPA Museum of Photographic Arts San Diego, CA
Nerman Museum Kansas City, Kansas
Pier 24 Photography San Francisco
RCB (Royal Canadian Bank) in America USA
Stephane Janssen Collection Arizona

The Netherlands

APG Collectie Amsterdam
Stedelijk Museum Breda Breda
Caldic Collection Rotterdam
Collectie Erasmus Universiteit, Rotterdam
Collectie Rabobank Groningen e.o. Groningen
Collectie Rabobank West-Flakkee, Stellendam
Collectie Rabobank Midden Twente Enschedé
DSM Art-Collectie Heerlen
DELA Kunstcollectie Eindhoven
Eneco Energie Rotterdam
Flatland Foundation Amsterdam
Groninger Museum Groningen
Joods Historisch Museum Amsterdam
Instituut voor Beeld en Geluid Hilversum
ING Real Estate Photography Collection Amsterdam
Isala Klinieken Zwolle
Museum Het Valkhof, Nijmegen
Museum Voorlinden Wassenaar
Noordbrabants Museum 's-Hertogenbosch
RIJKS Museum Amsterdam
The Essential Collection Rabobank Nederland Eindhoven
The Hoboken Photo-Collection Rotterdam
The Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs Den Haag
Vu MC Collection, Amsterdam

United Kingdom

Arad Collection London
C-Photo Collection London
David Roberts Collection London
The Franks-Suss Collection London
Sir Elton John Photography Collection London & Atlanta, USA

Germany

Teutloff Photo + Video Collection Bielefeld

Austria

Generali Foundation Vienna

France

FNAC Collection Paris

Switzerland

Catlin Collection Zürich

Spain

Colección Juan Redón Barcelona
Fundación N.M.A.C. Cadiz

Israel

Tel Aviv Museum of Art Tel Aviv

Japan

CB Collection Tokyo

and private collections.