

BAS ZOONTJENS

Bas Zoontjens is one such artist who creates spectacular effects on the canvas without using a lot of technology. The simplicity of his techniques is contrasted with the images and ideas that go with his painting. A look at his paintings takes the viewer on a journey through space, time and a dimension that humans still have to learn of. Bas is a Dutch artist who shuttles between The Hague and Berlin. After having graduated from the Royal Academy of Art & Design and the Grafic Lyceum Eindhoven, he received several stipends and grants from many Dutch institutions. In a pensive mood, one can see an image of an alien invasion, or an intergalactic war taking place. Most of the paintings seem to be connected with each other, bringing a sort of synthesis in a state of defragmentation. Bas uses bright colours in order to set the differences between time, space and the unknown third. Like in a science fiction movie, the paintings seem to reveal the story of mankind which is caught in an eternal conflict between the destroyer and the destroyed. If one continues to ponder upon the paintings even more deeply, there really isn't much in the paintings for the human race. Surprisingly many of his paintings hide a malevolence and raw energy in an unreal representation of images. Perhaps this malevolence is something unimaginable to the human mind, and indicates an uncertain future for the human race. The fate of humankind is almost impossible to know, and one of the possibilities is the extinction of species due to an unimaginable catastrophe from the outer space. Jaiyant Cavale

WEBSITES

artnews.org/baszoontjens

OPLEIDINGEN

1992 - Schilderen Den Bosch, Academie van
1996 Kunst en Vormgeving Diploma behaald

TENTOONSTELLINGEN

2016 Heartpool, Hengelo Wolvecamprijns
[Groep](#)

2014 Cokkie Snoei galerie, Rotterdam Artist's
proof
[Groep](#)

2013 Cokkie Snoei galerie, Rotterdam As tears go
by
[Groep](#)

2012 Nest, Den Haag, Nederland
[Groep](#)

2011 David B. Smith Galery , Denver U.S
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2011 Artfair, Bazel, Zwitserland
[Groep](#)

2010 PopUPSpace, Londen, Engeland You Are
Here
[Groep](#)

2009 Berenitzky galerie, Berlijn, Duitsland
Reliquaries of Empires Dust
[Groep](#)

2009 Kunstverein Wolfsburg, Wolfsburg,

Duitsland Weltraum als Fluchtlinie
Groep

2009 Kunst in Kreuzberg, Berlijn, Duitsland Das
ist einfach Schwierig
Groep

INTERNATIONALE UITWISSELINGEN / ARTIST-IN- RESIDENCIES

2009 Asteries, Marseille, Frankrijk
2007 Kunstlerhaus Bethanien, Berlijn,
Duitsland

AANKOPEN/WERKEN IN COLLECTIES

2009 Diverse particulieren Nederland schilderijen
2009 CBK Rotterdam schilderij
2008 Diverse Particulieren Nederland schilderijen
2007 Diverse Particulieren Nederland schilderijen
2006 Diverse Particulieren, CBK Nederland,
rotterdam schilderijen
2005 etc nederland schilderijen
2000 ABN AMRO Amsterdam schilderijen

PUBLICATIES

2007 Space in Between Kunstlerhaus
Bethanien, Berlijn, Duitsland Catalogus
2003 Vrije schilderkunst accenture,
nederland verzameling winnaars
koninklijke subsidie schilderkunst

PRIJZEN EN STIPENDIA

2007 werkbeurs voor Kunstlerhaus Bethanien
CBK, Rotterdam
2006 Basisstipendium Fonds BKVB

VERTEGENWOORDIGING

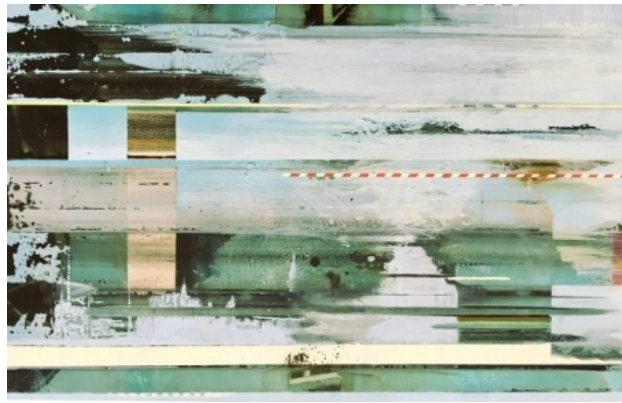
-- Cokkie Snoei Galerie Rotterdam
-- David B Smith Galery Denver, V.S

ARTISTIEKE NEVENACTIVITEITEN

2010 - Docentschap, Artez Fine Art, Arnhem
2011
2006 - Docentschap, Willem de Kooning academy,
2007 Rotterdam



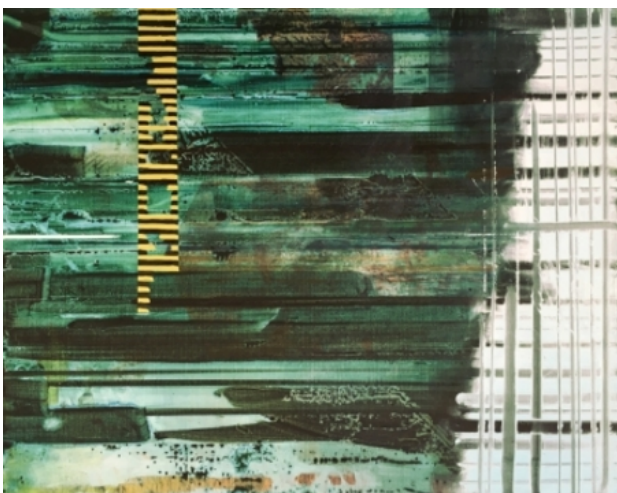
Defect, 2016
acryl & olieverf op paneel, 130 x 140 cm



Config_block, 2016
acryl & olieverf op paneel, 140 x 160 cm



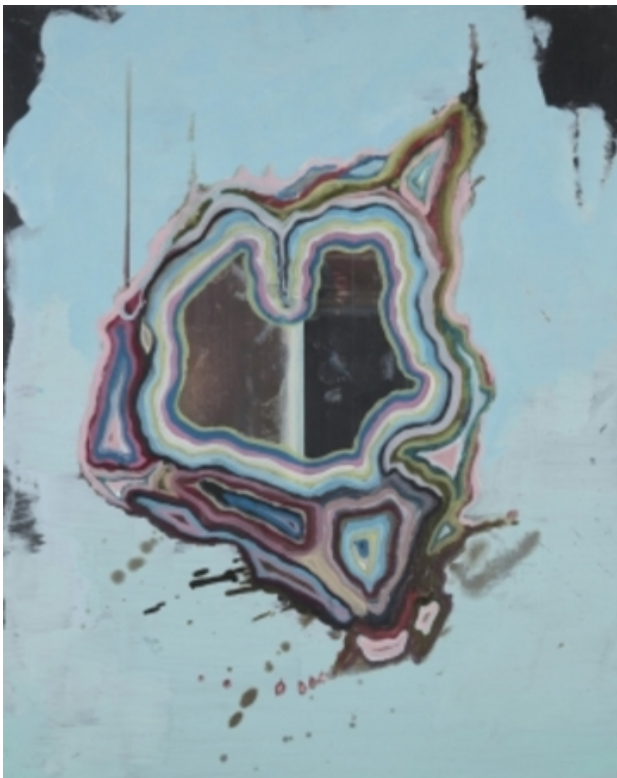
Shorewall, 2016
acryl & olieverf op paneel, 120 x 100 cm



Error, 2016
acryl & olieverf op paneel, 130 x 140 cm



Unité, 2013
olieverf op paneel, 61 x 40 cm



Psyche, 2013
olieverf op paneel, 50 x 40 cm



Under Pressure, 2013
olieverf op doek, 190 x 140 cm



Terranean, 2012
acryl & olieverf, 100 x 80 cm