

Curriculum Vitae

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Eric Van Hove (born 1975 in Guelma, Algeria) is a Cameroon raised Belgian conceptual artist, poet and traveler. He lives and works between Brussels and Tokyo. He studied at the Ecole de Recherche Graphique in Brussels and received a Master's degree in Traditional Japanese Calligraphy at the Tokyo Gakugei University in Tokyo. He obtained a PhD degree from the Tokyo University of the Arts in 2008. Having an existentialist tone, Van Hove's work is based on the artist's nomadic willing to simultaneously address local and global issues. It encompass many media ranging from installation to performance, video, photography and writing. At times insubstantial and subversive, Van Hove's conceptually poetic interventions often ponder and cross-refer to sociological, political and ecological issues. Van Hove methodology of work includes wanderlust, defamiliarization, psychogeography and *dérive*, a concept first theorized by French writer and Situationist Guy Debord, whereas he early on acknowledged transcendentalist influences in trying to oppose a more spiritual and decentralized approach to the Eurocentric intellectualism of the contemporary art world.

Selection of recent exhibits and commissions: (full list on: www.transcri.be/travauxAN.html)

Solo shows:

2009

- *Vacilar* - Adhoc gallery, Vigo, Galicia, Spain
- *Metragram Series* – Rossicontemporary gallery, Brussels, Belgium

2008

- *Freer trade* - :::: :::: :::: :::: :::: art space, Barrio Amon, San José, Costa Rica
- *Dan liever de lucht in #1* - Royal Belgium embassy, Yotsuya, Tokyo, Japan

Group shows (selection - last three years):

2009

- *Toute cruauté est-elle bonne à dire?* - La Centrale électrique, Brussels, Belgium
- *4^{ème} Scénographie Urbaine* - The Joubert Park Project, Johannesburg, South Africa
- *The borders* - Amelie A. Wallace Gallery, College of Old Westbury, New York, USA
- *Into the Atomic Sunshine* - Okinawa Prefectural Museum of Art, Japan
- *Casablanca: International Video Art Festival* - Casablanca, Morocco
- *Cul-de-sac* - exposition collective satellite (fluxnews), 53^{ème} Venice Biennial, Italy
- *Last Day of Magic* - satellite group exhibit, ScalaMata Gallery, 53rd Venice Biennial, Italy
- *Us* - Johannesburg Art Gallery, Johannesburg, South-Africa

2008

- *Into the Atomic Sunshine* - The Puffin Room, Soho, New York, USA
- *Localisms* - De Paviljoens Museum, Almere, The Netherlands
- *Chinese Character Biennial* - Ku Art Center, Huan Tie Museum, Beijing, China
- *Into the Atomic Sunshine* - Hillside Forum, Daikanyama, Tokyo, Japan
- *Boom-Boom* - Kyrgyz National Museum of Fine Arts, Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan
- *CamouFlashed Mediation* - Meditations Biennial, Poznan, Poland
- *Camp Hiroshima: Migration* - Hiroshima Art Project, Hiroshima, Japan
- *I have been to Japan* - Fordham University's Center Gallery, New York, USA

2007

- *Scriptures* - Toride Art Museum, Ibaraki, Japan
- *Resonances* - STUK, Museum of Contemporary Art, Leuven, Belgium
- *Fenenin el-Rahhal* - working artists' summit, Western Desert and Townhouse gallery, Cairo, Egypt
- *Horizon* - Bloomberg headquarters, with Art in General, New York, USA
- *Ecumenopolis* - Location One gallery, Soho, New York, USA
- *Memory in Motion* - public art project with Director's Lounge, Munich City Library, Bavaria, Germany
- *30 et presque songes* - zone zital ankorondrano, Antananarivo, Republic of Madagascar
- *Dan liever de lucht in #2* - Lokaal01 gallery, Breda, The Netherlands
- *Be(com)ing Dutch Causus* - Van Abbemuseum, Eindhoven, The Netherlands
- *Water, ink: world of monochrome* - Ueno City Art Museum, Taito-ku, Tokyo, Japan

Recent Awards (bursaries, prizes and subsidies selection):

- Centre International des Récollets artist Residency and grant, Paris, France
- [Pilot:3 selection](#), 52nd Venice Biennial / Frieze Art Fair / 101 Tokyo Art Fair, London/Italy
- UNESCO-Aschberg artist Residency and grant, Darat Al-Funun, Jordan
- Icehotel commission, Kilpisjärvi, Swedish Lapland
- Location One artist residency, New York [Belgium Government funded]
- Lijiang Studio artist residency, Yunnan, China
- Paradise Art Center artist residency, Tehran, Iran
- European Media Plus award, Munich/Germany
- Monbusho research scholarship, Japan ministry of culture, Tokyo

Selection of artists talks, workshop and seminars for 2006 & 2007:

2007

- Arts en Liberté gallery, Kouba, Algiers, Algeria
- Green Papaya Art Space, Teacher's Village, Quezon city, Metro-Manila, The Philippines
- Tokyo National University of Fine Arts and Music, Ueno, Tokyo, Japan
- Alliance Française, Sanchaung Township, Yangon, Union of Myanmar
- New York Studio Program, New York, USA
- The Khalid Shoman Foundation / Darat al Funun, Amman, Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan
- Academy of Humanities and Economics, Łódź, Łódź Voivodeship, Republic of Poland
- *Be(com)ing Dutch Causus*, Van Abbemuseum, Eindhoven, The Netherlands
- University of Sarajevo, Sarajevo, Bosnia & Herzegovina
- Academy for fine Arts, Cetinje, Montenegro
- La Cambre Visual Art College, Brussels, Belgium
- [AIT] Art Initiative Tokyo, Daikanyama, Tokyo, Japan

2006

- Ryllega Gallery, Hanoi, Socialist Republic of Vietnam
- Total Art gallery, Dubai, United Arab Emirates
- Shahed university and various sites in and around Tehran, Islamic Republic of Iran
- Tehran Museum of Contemporary Art, Tehran, Islamic Republic of Iran
- P-10 curatorial team, project SpaceB, Singapore
- Loop Project Art Space, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia
- ICPA / Lokaal 01, Antwerp, Belgium
- Enough Room for Space, Rotterdam, Holland
- Sinopale - 1st Biennial of contemporary art of Sinop, Turkey
- HIAP - International Artists Program, Helsinki, Finland
- [PACA] Palestinian Association for Contemporary Art, Ramallah, West Bank

Education:

2005-2008 Doctor és Arts (Ph.D. / D.A.) - Tokyo University of the Arts (Geidai), Japan

2003-2005 Master of the Art (M.A.) - in Traditional Japanese Calligraphy, Tokyo Gakudei University, Japan

2001-2003 Tokyo Gakugei University - Proficiency degree in Japanese language, Tokyo, Japan