

BIOGRAPHY

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Karin Borghouts is a professional Belgian art and documentary photographer. She photographs places, preferably architectural environments and interiors. She also photographs still lifes, either on location or in her studio. Recently she has also started photographing people in special places. She also makes videos to document places and people.

Her personal work occupies a position between photography and visual art, and is rich in references to painting. Her photographs can be found in the collections of the Photographic Museums of Antwerp and Charleroi (Belgium), the KMSKA, the University of Antwerp, the Proximus Art Collection in Brussels, etc. Her work has been shown in many individual and group exhibitions in Belgium and abroad. Karin Borghouts works on her own projects (art and documentary photography). She likes to work in site-specific projects and has extensive experience in printing, publishing and exhibiting. She also works on commissions for art, cultural and heritage organisations, museums, publishers, architects and city councils. Karin Borghouts studied painting, sculpture and photography and has also worked as a graphic designer. Starting with a Linhof large format camera, she now works with the latest digital equipment.

Karin Borghouts has had several solo exhibitions in museums, such as the Musée de la Photographie in Charleroi Belgium and Museum De Lakenhal in Leiden The Netherlands. Karin has been supported by Gallery [Ronny Van de Velde](#) and regularly participates in group exhibitions at Gallery [De Mijlpaal](#).

Most of the photographs are available as high quality archival pigment prints in a limited edition with a signed certificate.

The personal series THE HOUSE, VINCENT WAS HERE, INTERLUDIUM, PARIS IMPASSE and AU BORINAGE are framed and available for exhibition. New series are in progress.

Clients in the last 20 years:

KMSKA, KU Leuven, MAS Antwerp, STAM Ghent, Museum Dr. Guislain, Cities of Antwerp, Ghent, Mechelen, Brugge, Sint-Pieters-Leeuw, Gallery Ronny Van de Velde, Museum De Lakenhal Leiden, Van Gogh Brabant, Stedelijk Museum Alkmaar, Proximus, Delen Private Bank, Royal Palace Belgium, BAI publishers, Vooruit Kunstencentrum, CCHA Hasselt, Spectra, Initia, Die Plek, Middelheim Museum, KMSKB, Zoo Antwerp, EU-Japan Fest Tokyo, Vlaams Architectuur Instituut, AR-TUR, Vlaamse Bouwmeester, Antwerps Bouwmeester Borret, HCVA Architecten, Sergison Bates Architects, Korteknie-Stuhlmacher Architecten, DRDH Architects, Kaan Architecten, HAMA Architecten, noA architecten, Bovenbouw, Bedaux de Brouwer Architecten, Pieter Bedaux, Studio Linse, Houben/Van Mierlo, Dedrie Architecten, Fugzia, several visual artists.

Karin Borghouts works alone and in recent years with her assistant Wouter Bollaerts.

Karin and is married with [Dirk Veulemans](#), composer electroacoustic music.

PERSONAL EXHIBITIONS Karin Borghouts

2024 AU BORINAGE, Maison Van Gogh Petit-Wasmès and Cuesmes BE (June 22 - October 13, 2024)

2023 VINCENT WAS HERE, Van Gogh Village Museum, Nuenen, (NL) (April, 2023 - February, 2024)

2022-2023 THE MAKING OF (with KAAAN Architects), KMSKA Antwerp (BE) (Sept. 24, 2022 - Sept. 3, 2023)

2022 PARIS IMPASSE, Musée de la Photographie, Charleroi (BE) (May 22 - September 18, 2022)

2021-2022 VINCENT WAS HERE, Citadelle Namur, Namur (BE) (December 17, 2021 - March 6, 2022)

2021 VINCENT WAS HERE, Galerie De Vuyst, Lokeren (BE)

2021 VINCENT WAS HERE, Rossaert, Antwerpen (BE)

2021 HET HUIS (THE HOUSE), Behind Bars - ruimte voor kunst- ANTWERPEN (BE)

2020 VINCENT WAS HERE, with Hans de Kort, Vincent van Gogh Huis - Zundert (NL)

2019 VINCENT WAS HERE, Het Noordbrabants Museum, 's-Hertogenbosch (NL)
 2019 THE HOUSE Cons Arc Galleria, Chiasso, (CH) as part of Bi Biennale dell'immagine
 2019 INTERLUDIUM cultuurcentrum Hasselt, (BE)
2019 MUSEUM IN TRANSITIE Museum De Lakenhal, Leiden (NL)
 2018 TRACES OF MEMORY, with Mieke Teirlinck, Gallery De Mijlpaal (pop-up), Knokke (BE)
 2017 GEVANGEN IN BESCHERMD LANDSCHAP, Kapel van de Kolonie, MERKSPLAS (BE) .
 2016 ANTWERPEN STAD VERBEELD (with Edmond Fierlants), Rossaert, ANTWERP (BE)
2015 HET HUIS Museum Dr. Guislain, GENT (BE)
 2014 HET HUIS Galerie Ecker, BREDA (NL), BredaPhoto
 2014 A PRINCIPLE OF SYMMETRY, Galerie Van De Weghe, ANTWERP (BE)
2014 STAD VAN MORGEN, 46 kerken in Gent, STAM city museum, GENT (BE)
 2014 KANTJE BOORD, Volkskundemuseum BRUGES (BE)
 2013 HET HUIS Villa De Olmen, WIEZE (BE)
 2012 NO SHOW CypresGalerie, LEUVEN (BE)
 2012 L'ESPRIT DE L'ESPACE - Galerie Zwart Huis, KNOKKE (BE)
 2011 AANWEZIG-AFWEZIG (Present-Absent) - Kades-Kaden, Catapult, ANTWERP (BE)
 2010 SANS VIE Natura Artis Magistra, Les Brasseurs/l'Annexe - 4000 LUIK/LIEGE (BE)
 2010 SHOWROOM 44 Gallery, BRUGES (BE)
 2009 ELIMart, Elim psychotherapeutic center KAPELLEN (BE)
 2009 VIEW IN A JAPANESE GARDEN crox 321 - Croxhapox GHENT (BE)
2009 STUDIESTUKKEN (STUDY ITEMS) Art and science. University Ghent (Boekentoren) (BE)
 2008 THE SHOW - Ruimte Morguen - Waalse Kaai 21-22, ANTWERP (BE)
2007 VERBEELD VERLEDEN (PORTRAYED PAST) MAS / Volkskundemuseum ANTWERP (BE)
2006 SAGA (EUROPEAN EYES ON JAPAN) Flanders Center, OSAKA (JP)
 2006 EUROPEAN EYES ON JAPAN a.antonopoulou.art, ATHENS (GR)
 2006 LIVING De Markten - Flemish Community Center 1000 BRUSSELS (BE)
 2005 VOOR WAARGENOMEN Cultureel Centrum Hasselt - 3500 HASSELT (BE)
 2005 ROOILIJN Galerie Mercator - 2018 ANTWERP (BE)
 2004 THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS #2 Ruimte Morguen, ANTWERP (BE)
 2003 THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS Ruimte Morguen, ANTWERP (BE)

GROUP EXHIBITIONS Karin Borghouts

2024 - 10 jaar Behind Bars, Antwerp - September 14 - October 19, 2024
 2023 - DARK Expo, GUM, Ghent (BE) - October 21 - 29
 2023 - Galerie De Mijlpaal 30 years, Heusden-Zolder (BE) - May 28 - July 30
 2023 - Wunderkammer (Galerie Ronny Van de Velde) - INBOX, M HKA, Antwerpen, BE
2022/23 The Making Of - KMSKA Antwerpen, BE (with KAAAN architecten & KMSKA) until 3/9/23
 2022 - Museum in vraag (Galerie Ronny Van de Velde) - INBOX, M HKA, Antwerpen, BE
 2022 - Chaque photographie est un adieu - Galerie du Beffroi, Namur, BE
 2022 - Magisch zwart - Gallery De Mijlpaal, Heusden-Zolder, Belgium
 2021-2022 VANWEGE VINCENT, Stedelijk Museum Breda, Breda (NL)
 2021-2022 DANS LES YEUX DE VAN GOGH, Musée Félicien Rops, Namur (BE)
 2021 Winterblomme, Gallery De Mijlpaal, Heusden-Zolder, Belgium (BE)
 2021 U BENT HIER / YOU ARE HERE, Morbee Gallery, Knokke (BE)
 2021 BODY LANGUAGE, Gallery De Mijlpaal, Heusden-Zolder, Belgium (BE)
 2021 POES, Ypermuseum, Ieper, Belgium (BE)
 2021 CRISTAL PALACE, Rossaert, Antwerpen (BE)
 2019 D'AS BEST - Gallery De Mijlpaal, Heusden-Zolder, Belgium
 2019 Dieren op maat, Designmuseum, Ghent (BE)
 2019 KUNSTENFESTIVAL WATOU, Watou (BE)
 2019 L'heure bleu - Gallery De Mijlpaal, Knokke, Belgium
 2019 REPARATION - Maison des Arts/Huis der Kunsten, Schaarbeek Brussels, Belgium
2018 Ruysdael en Saenredam in Alkmaar, Stedelijk Museum Alkmaar (NL) (met Hans van der Meer)
 2018 Hermetisch zwart, Gallery De Mijlpaal, Heusden-Zolder (BE)
 2017 AD NOCTUM Concertgebouw Brugge as part of Brugge Foto, Brugge (BE)
 2017 NOORDERLICHT Photofestival "Nucleus" Groningen (NL)
 2017 KUNSTENFESTIVAL WATOU, Watou (BE)
 2017 CELIBATAIRE DIVA'S Refuge Herkenrode (De Mijlpaal), Hasselt (BE)
 2017 THE BEAUTY OF THE BEAST, Kasteel d'Ursel, Hingene (BE)

2017 VIVRE LE LIEU, Ozenay (FR)

2017 STADSFOTOGRAAF, MAS Antwerpen (BE)

2017 BLACK, Het Labo, C-Mine Genk (BE)

2017 MUSEUM TO SCALE, Ghisla Art Collection, Locarno (CH)

2017 XY GLAZEN HUIS, Centrum voor hedendaagse glaskunst, Lommel (BE)

2016 COLOURS OF THE SKY, De Mijlpaal Gallery Knokke - Heusden-Zolder (BE)

2015 GLASS-WORKS, De Mijlpaal Gallery Knokke - Heusden-Zolder (BE)

2015 POST-MORTEM, Rommelaere Instituut, University Ghent (BE)

2015 (RE)VIEW, cc Hasselt (BE)

2014 OUT THERE, Landscapes in Public Space, Maastricht (NL)

2014 (GE)TIJDEN[LOOS] II De Mijlpaal Gallery, Brugstraat 45, Heusden-Zolder(BE)

2014 BREDA PHOTO Songs from the heart, Galerie Ecker, The House

2014 MUSEUM TO SCALE De Kunsthall, Rotterdam (NL)

2014 (GE)TIJDEN[LOOS] De Mijlpaal pop-up gallery, Zeedijk 716, Knokke (BE)

2014 KAUNAS PHOTO Museum 24/7, Ciurlionis Art Museum Kaunas, Lithuania

2014 MUSEUM TO SCALE The Baker Museum, Artis-Naples (Florida, USA)

2013 Vanitas Revisited, Galerie Ronny Van de Velde, Knokke-Zoute (BE)

2013 MUSEUM TO SCALE Royal Museum of Fine Arts Brussels (BE)

2013 Kunst op pootjes, Rasa, artcabinet travelling in Flanders (BE)

2013 100 jaar Vooruit, STAM Ghent

2013 Bindingen, co NOVA and FoMu, MoMu, Permeke, Atlas Antwerp (BE)

2012 Bones, Het Labo, CIAP Art Center, Hasselt (BE)

2012 Terra Cognita, Photofestival Noorderlicht, Heerenveen-Drachten (NL)

2012 Kunst op pootjes, Rasa, artcabinet travelling in Flanders (BE)

2012 Inside-Out, Tichelrij 15, 2800 Mechelen (BE)

2012 L'Empire des signes. Japan in tekens en symbolen, de Mijlpaal, Heusden-Zolder

2012 MUSEUM TO SCALE, BRAFA, Tour & Taxis Brussels, Stand Ronny Van de Velde

2011 ART(silence) - Library of Visual Arts, University Ghent, Ghent(BE)

2011 BEYOND THE DOCUMENT - Bozar, BRUSSELS (BE)

2011 De grens/La frontière - Brakel-Flobecq (BE) (Bozar extra muros)

2011 Antwerpen veelkleurige stad - permanent collection MAS, Antwerp (BE)

2011 Borders/No borders - Les Chiroux centre culturel de Li ge, LIEGE (BE)

2011 MOOI - Rasa, art education project, several places in Belgium starting in October

2010 BORDERS/NO BORDERS Kommunale Galerie, BERLIN (D)

2010 NATURAE - Savignano, Vicenza and Treviso, ITALY (I)

2010 MOOI - Rasa, art education project, several places in Belgium

2010 PAYSAGES FICTIONNELS - CC Jacques Franck, BRUSSELS (BE)

2010 CONFRONTATIES de grote vissen eten de kleine - Oude Werkhuizen De Vis MECHELEN (BE)

2010 CANVASCOLLECTIE/COLLECTION RTBF (3 works) - Bozar BRUSSELS

2010 SKULLS, SKELETONS & BONES, Hotel Andromeda - OSTEND (BE)

2009 THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS International Meetings of Photography, PLOVDIV (Bulgaria)

2009 WHAT LIES BENEATH: NATURE AND URBAN LANDSCAPE IN EU PHOTOGRAPHY
Embassy of Sweden, WASHINGTON DC (Photoweeek DC)

2009 SPORT: FAIT'ES DIVERS, Sportmonium Bloso-domein ZEMST-HOFSTADE (BE)

2008 ARCHITECTUUR Monumental vzw BORNEM (BE)

2008 SCREENWORLDS Contemporary photography in Flanders - Flemish Parliament BRUSSELS

2007 EUROPEAN EYES ON JAPAN Prefectural Museum of Art SAGA (Japan)

2007 JAPAN TODAY 19th International Photography Meeting THESSALONIKI (GR)

2007 VENSTERGALERIE Ruimte Morguen ANTWERP (BE)

2006 EUROPEAN EYES ON JAPAN Prefectural Museum of Art FUKUSHIMA (Japan)

2006 HEILIGE GEEST II - Voorkamer - 2500 LIER (BE)

2006 5th International Festival of Photography - LODZ (PL)

2006 VOORBIJ HET ZWART - BE-PART Platform voor actuele kunst - 8790 WAREGEM (BE)

2005 STADT / LANDSCHAFTEN / EINGRIFFE, FOTOGALERIE WIEN - VIENNA(A)

2004 FRAGMENTS / FRAMMENTI FotoMuseum Antwerp in ACADEMIA BELGICA - ROME (I)

2004 CHASSEZ LE NATUREL... 4th Int. Biennial for Photography and Visual Arts - LUIK/LIEGE (BE)

2003 VOORBIJ DE GRENS (as part of 'Breda Photo')Centrum voor Architectuur Breda - BREDA (NL)

2002 WE ARE MEAT - GENK (BE)

2002 BORDELLO - Art in closed brothels - red light district ANTWERP (BE)

BOOKS Karin Borghouts (selection of commissions and personal books)

2025 KU LEUVEN Een universiteit in beeld - Images of a university, 150 photos, Hannibal books
2022 KMSKA Het Schoonste Museum - The Finest Museum - La Musée Merveilleuse (NL, FR, E), 150 photos, Hannibal books
2022 A PAINTER'S HOUSE, 94 p, 57 photos Karin Borghouts, Snoeck publishers
2021 THE HOUSE, 94 p, 57 photos Karin Borghouts, Snoeck publishers
2020 PARIS IMPASSE, 304 p, 225 photos Karin Borghouts, Snoeck publishers
2019 Museum De Lakenhal, a portrait, 130 p., 71 photos Karin Borghouts, Ed. HCVArchitecten- NAI010
2019 VINCENT WAS HERE, 208 p., 130 photos Karin Borghouts, Ed. Ronny Van de Velde
2019 Architectuur en telefonie, FR/NL, 224 p., Karin Borghouts, Filip Dujardin e.o., Proximus, CIVA, AAM ed.
2019 The Royal Greenhouses of Laeken (4 languages), 148 p, 85 photos Karin Borghouts, Ed BAI
2016 ANTWERPEN STAD VERBEELD, 336 p., 215 photos Karin Borghouts, Ronny Van de Velde/Ludion
2015 MIJN HUIS DAT WAS, 72 p., 24 photos Karin Borghouts, story by Paul de Moor, Ludion
2014 THE HOUSE, 40 p., photos Karin Borghouts, graphic design Rob van Hoesel, The Eriskay Connection,
2014 Kerken in Gent, 146 photos, text in Dutch by Ludo Collin and Koen Van Synghel, Snoeck (BE),
2013 "Bindingen", portraits, objects and stories, 58 photographs, vzw Stedelijk Ondersteuningscentrum (BE)
2012 VOORBIJ DE SCENE Karin Borghouts, 2012, 54 photographs, cultuurcentrum Hasselt (BE)
2009 VIEW IN A JAPANESE GARDEN, 16 p., photos Karin Borghouts - Tomoki Imai 2009, Ed. Alver,
2008 THE SHOW, 24 p., 21 photos Karin Borghouts, text English 2008, Ed. Alver
2007 Zoo Beeldig, 100 photos Karin Borghouts + portfolio ZOO GEZIEN Ed. MAS Erfgoedcel/KMDA
2006 EUROPEAN EYES ON JAPAN / JAPAN TODAY vol. 8, 122 p., 16 photographs Karin Borghouts, E-JP
2006 LIVING, 148 p. 48 photographs Karin Borghouts with Initia and Yota! ed. Mens & Cultuur Uitgevers,
2005 ROOILIJN, 20 p., 19 photos Karin Borghouts, NL/E 2005, Ed. Alver, Galerie Mercator
2004 THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS, 48 p., 24 photos Karin Borghouts, essay Steven Humblet, NL/E

COMMISSIONS (selection)

2023-2025 KU Leuven 600 years, photography of buildings, interiors and university collections
2023 Van Gogh Brabant, photography of Van Gogh monuments
2023 Vlaamse Bouwmeester, photography of churches
2017-2024 Architectural projects for Happel Cornelisse Verhoeven Architecten, Sergison Bates Architects, DRDH Architects, Korteknie-Stuhlmacher Architecten, KAAAN, noA and many others
2011-2022 Photography renovation Royal Museum of Fine Arts Antwerp (BE)
2021-2022 Interiors and buildings of Delen Private Bank
2020 De laatste reis - private commission
2019 Photography of RTT buildings in Belgium (with Filip Dujardin) - Proximus Art Collection (BE)
2019 Museum De Lakenhal Leiden (NL) Happel Cornelisse Verhoeven Architecten
2019 Predikherenklooster Library, Mechelen (BE), Korteknie-Stuhlmacher Architecten
2019 GruuthuseMuseum Brugge (BE), noAarchitecten
2019 Museum Dr. Guislain Gent (BE), photography of the building
2016-2019 Photography renovation Museum De Lakenhal Leiden (NL)
2017-2018 Stedelijk Museum Alkmaar, 'Ruysdael en Saenredam in Alkmaar'
2017-2018 Stad Mechelen, historic buildings
2017 Prison in protected landscape (Merksplas, Hoogstraten), Ar-Tur, center for architecture
2015-2016 Antwerpen Stad Verbeeld, Ronny Van de Velde
2015-2019 Royal Greenhouses of Laeken and Royal Palace of Brussels, BAIpublishers
2014 Snapshot 9, Kantje boord, lace, Musea Brugge
2013-2014 Stad van morgen, 46 churches in Ghent, STAM city museum Ghent
2013 City Architect - Stadsbouwmeester Antwerp (BE), construction sites
2012-2015 Cityphotographer of Antwerp (BE)
2012-2013 Photography 'Vooruit' Artcenter Ghent (BE)
2012-2013 Museum to scale, Gallery Ronny Van de Velde
2012 Photography for Architectural Review Flanders, Vlaams Architectuur Instituut (VAI)
2011-2012 Book and photographs cultuurcentrum Hasselt (BE) 40 year
2011-2012 Photography communication Middelheimmuseum Antwerp (BE)
2011 'Veelkleurige Stad', permanent exhibition MAS, Museum aan de Stroom, Antwerp (BE)
2011 Book 'The Royal Palace', Brussels (BE), Ludion
2010 Catalogue 'New monument/Nieuwe Monumenten' Middelheimmuseum, Ludion Publishers
2009 Book Middelheimmuseum Collection, Ludion Publishers
2009 Photography Roger Raveelmuseum, book 'Kunstenaarsmusea', Ludion Publishers

2006 - 2007 MAS Volkskundemuseum Antwerpen ('Verbeeld verleden', book, exhibition)
2006 - 2007 Erfgoedcel Antwerpen (book 'Zoo Beeldig')
2005 Eu-Japan Fest Japan Committee 'European Eyes on Japan' (book, exhibitions)
2005 Initia vzw (photography 'Living', book, exhibition)
2003 - 2017 VAI (Vlaams Architectuur Instituut, (Centrum voor Architectuur archieven)

LECTURES

2024 - Academie voor Bouwkunst, Rotterdam NL
2023 - Lecture with visual presentation, TU Delft NL
2008 - 2019 Lectures with visual presentation - Breedbeeld - several places in Flanders
2017 Lecture with visual presentation, Zoom, Fotomuseum Antwerp
2015 Lecture with visual presentation, Slac Talk #8, M Museum, Leuven (BE)
2013 Guest lecturer, University Hasselt (BE), Architectuur en Kunst
2011, 2012, 2013, 2014 Lecture with visual presentation, Karel de Grote Hogeschool, Antwerp (BE)
2010 Lecture at the exhibition 'Paysages Fictionnels', cc Jacques Franck Brussels (BE)
2010 February 18 Visual presentation Sint-Lukas Brussels 'Imaging History'
2009 Guest professor 'master of research in art and design' Sint-Lucas Antwerp (BE)

GRANTS

2008 Project grant Flemish authorities for the book and the exhibition THE SHOW
2004 Project grant Flemish authorities for the book THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS
2003 Project grant Flemish authorities for the exhibition THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS

ARTIST IN RESIDENCE

2023-2024 La Maison Van Gogh, Petit-Wasmes, Borinage Belgium, September - April
2023 Groot begijnhof Leuven, on invitation of the KU Leuven, July
2015 Cité Internationale des Arts, Paris (F), on invitation of the Flemish Government, October - December
2013 Cité Internationale des Arts, Paris (F), on invitation of the Flemish Government, November - December
2005 "European Eyes on Japan" in Saga Japan, on invitation of EU-JAPAN FEST, Tokyo, Japan

COLLECTIONS

- FotoMuseum Antwerp (BE)
- Musée de la Photographie Charleroi (BE)
- KMSKA Royal Museum of Fine Arts Antwerp (BE)
- MAS Museum aan de Stroom (BE)
- Museum De Lakenhal, Leiden (NL)
- STAM Citymuseum Ghent (BE)
- Stedelijk Museum Alkmaar (NL)
- Museum Dr. Guislain Gent (BE)
- Het Noordbrabants Museum 's Hertogenbosch (NL)
- Koninklijke Verzameling Nederland (NL)
- GUM Gents Universiteitsmuseum (BE)
- CAP, Musée des Beaux Arts Mons (BE)
- Universiteit Antwerpen (BE)
- PROXIMUS Art Collection (BE)
- Delen Private Bank (BE)
- Prefectural Museum of Art, Saga (JP)
- CCHA, cultuurcentrum Hasselt (BE)
- Kunstencentrum VOORUIT, Gent (BE)
- Gallery Ronny Van de Velde (BE)
- Gallery De Mijlpaal (BE)
- Private collections