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Studio in Amsterdam since 1979

Teacher at the Gerrit Rietveld Academie, Amsterdam 1994-2013

**EDUCATION**

1974-1979 Gerrit Rietveld Academie, Amsterdam

**AWARDS/GRANTS**

2020 Van Achterbergh Prize

2005 Nominated for the Dutch Ceramic Prize 2005

1991 Inax Design Prize for Europeans, Japan

2012 Mondriaan Fund, Visual Arts and Cultural Heritage 2003/1990

Fonds BKVB, the Netherlands Foundation for Visual Arts, Design and Architecture

**EXHIBITIONS (\*catalogue)****One Person**

2024 Geneva, Taste Contemporary ‘*Crossing Paths*’  
(with Jacqui Poncelet)

2023 The Hague, Kunstmuseum ‘*Porcelain Mountains*’  
(with antique Chinese porcelain)

2022 Brussels, The Solo Project Contemporary Art,  
Taste Contemporary (with Beppe Kessler)

2021 Geneva, Taste Contemporary ‘*Pas de Deux*’  
(with Beppe Kessler)

2020 Leeuwarden, Princessehof National Museum of Ceramics  
Van Achterbergh Prize exhibition

2018 New York, Hostler Burrows Gallery \*  
Geneva, Taste Contemporary ‘*En Route*’ \*  
Amsterdam, Frozen Fountain

2017 Shanghai, Two Cities Gallery ‘*En Route*’ \*  
Purmerend, Waterland Museum ‘*The Silk Road*’  
(with Wil van Blokland)

2015 Beijing, Beijing Design Week, Ubi Gallery (with Peter Hoogeboom)

2014 Rotterdam, Gallery VIVID, series *Scholar's Rock*  
2013 Amsterdam, Peter Rommers 'IJ-Catchers'  
(with Alexander Lichtveld)  
2012 Amsterdam, Gallery vankrimpen '*En Route*'  
2008 Haarlem, De Hallen/Frans Halsmuseum,  
Haarlem, ABC- architectural centre  
2002 New York, Garth Clark Gallery \*  
Additional Years: 1999, 1995, 1992, 1989, 1987  
1998 Amsterdam, Stedelijk Museum '*The Turbulent Vessel  
Ceramics 1991-1998*' \*  
1991 Düsseldorf, Hetjens-Museum/Deutsches Keramikmuseum \*  
Leeuwarden, Princessehof National Ceramic Museum 'A decade  
of Work' \*  
1988 Amsterdam, Artoteek Zuidoost (with Ton van Gool) 1987  
Amsterdam, Gallery Inart ' Les Ambiances Méditerranée' 1985  
Vienna, Keramik Studio (with Pauline Wiertz)  
Amsterdam, Gallery de Witte Voet  
1984 Haarlem, Frans Halsmuseum  
1982 Amsterdam, Gallery de Witte Voet

## **Selected Group**

2024 Amsterdam, Rai- PAN Amsterdam , gallery Ramakers ' 30 years  
anniversary'

The Hague, Gallery Ramakers: Ien Lucas, Hieke Luik, Babs Haenen  
presentation 'Try and Treasure'- publication Babs Haenen- Jap Sam  
books/ Archivorum+M.

2023 Amsterdam, Rai- PAN Amsterdam, gallery Ramakers  
Geneva, Taste Contemporary at the Fabienne Levy Gallery  
'Transformative Boundaries'

East Hampton, Onna House '*Nature/Nurture*', Lisa Perry  
London, Cromwell place '*In Residence III*', TingYing Gallery and  
Oliver Sears Gallery.

2022 Rotterdam, Kunsthall, Women in Design '*Here we Are*'  
Chengdu, '*Blue Link*' Sino – Dutch Contemporary Ceramics  
exhibition

New York, Salon Art + Design, Hostler Burrows Gallery  
Sacramento, Mills Station Art and Culture Centre  
'*Beneath the Surface: Origin Stories*', NCECA

2021 New York, Salon Art + Design, Hostler Burrows Gallery

Oberschleißheim, Schloss Lustheim ‘*Lust auf Lustheim*’ (

Meissen inspiriert modern keramik)

Shanghai, West Bund Art and Design, TingYing Gallery London, Artifact, Design Centre Chelsea Harbour, Ting Ying Gallery New York, Metropolitan Museum of Art ‘*Shapes from Out of Nowhere*’, ceramics from the Robert A. Ellison Jr. Collection. Jingdezhen- International Ceramic Art Biennale

‘*the Spirit of Porcelain*’- New Art Museum of Jingdezhen Ceramic University

2020 London, Eye Viewing Room, Eye of the Collector, TingYing Gallery Los Angeles, Hostler Burrows Gallery ‘*Forest Primeval*’, inaugural group exhibition

London, V&A Museum, *Blanc de Chine, a continuous conversation*

2019 London, V&A Museum, *Blanc de Chine, a continuous conversation* Sacramento, Crocker Art Museum,

‘*Cool Clay: Recent Acquisitions of Contemporary Ceramics*’ Paris, Helene Aziza ‘*Entre eau et ciel: Amsterdam*’ \* New York, Alfred Ceramic Art

Museum ‘*Materiality: Masterworks from The Miller Ceramic Art Collection*’

2018 Miami, Design Miami, Hostler Burrows Gallery

Shenzhen, China, Rich-Z Gallery

2017 Rotterdam, Museum Boijmans van Beuningen

‘*Change the System*’ \*

Monaco, Artmonte-carlo, Taste Contemporary Craft LiLing, China,

‘*Classics Revived, International Ceramics Design Invitational*

exhibition, Liling Ceramics Valley Museum Shigaraki- Japan, the

Museum of Contemporary Art

the Shigaraki Ceramic Cultural Park- *the Dramatic Vessel* \* 2016

Monaco, Artmonte-carlo, Taste Contemporary

Liling, China, *the Mode-International Ceramics Arts Invitational* exhibiton Liling Ceramics Valley Museum\*

Leeuwarden, Princessehof National Museum of Ceramics

‘*Sexy Ceramics*’ \*

2015 Beijing, Chinese National Treasure Museum of Arts,

*World Tour Art Exhibition*, Simon Ma, Julian Lennon,

Robert Zucherman, Babs Haenen, Zheng Juke Basel,

Design Miami Basel, Gallery VIVID

San Francisco, Fog Design+Art, Hostler Burrows Gallery 2014 The Hague, Gemeentemuseum (Municipal Museum), ‘*Clay! A century*

*ceramics at the Gerrit Rietveld Academie*’ \* New York, Hostler

Burrows Gallery ‘*Six Women* Haarlem, Architectural Centre

‘*Architectuur en Bouwen in het Centrum*’, 25 jaar ABC

2013 Pecs, Hungary, 'Muzeum LeSecet Magyarorszag'  
Leeuwarden, Princessehof National Museum of Ceramics  
'*Salah-ad-Din- Mysterious Green*'  
teachers and students Gerrit Rietveld Academie 2012  
Haarlem, Frans Halsmuseum/ De Hallen '*Maskerade*' \*  
Houston, The Museum of Fine Arts  
'*Shifting Paradigms in Contemporary Ceramics*' \* 2011  
Amsterdam, Rai- Art Amsterdam, Gallery vankrimpen 2010  
Leuven, Cypres Gallery '*de kom*'  
Amsterdam, Rinus Beukema, private home presentation Art  
and Jewellery  
2009 Leeuwarden, Princessehof National Museum of Ceramics  
'*nieuwe liefdes*' \*  
The Hague, Ministry of Finance '*Form and Sculpture*' students  
and teachers of the Ceramic department of the Gerrit  
Rietveld Academie  
2008 London, Barrett Marsden Gallery  
'*Well-meaning cultural commodities*'  
2007 Leeuwarden, Princessehof National Museum of Ceramics  
'*Pretty Dutch*' \*  
2006 Claremont, CA, Ruth Chandler Williamson Gallery.  
2005 New York, Garth Clark Gallery '*Organic Abstraction*'  
Part 2 Homage to Ruth Duckworth  
2004 Amsterdam, Nederlandsche Bank '*Goudomrand-*  
*the future handmade*', students and teachers of  
the Ceramic department Gerrit Rietveld Academie \* 2003  
Haarlem, Frans Halsmuseum/De Hallen Pavilion-  
presentation '*Ceramics Babs Haenen/ Geert Lap*' 2002  
Gifu, Japan, Museum of Modern Ceramic Art,  
New Collection \*  
Charlotte, NC, Mint Museum of Craft+ Design  
'*Allan Chasanoff Ceramic Collection*' \*  
2001 Sydney, Gallery Janet Mansfield '*Dutch Contemporary Ceramics*'  
1999 Toronto, The George R. Gardiner Museum of Ceramic Art  
'*Collects*'  
1998 Germany, München, Kunst/ Bayerischer Kunstgewerbe Verein  
'*Ceramics from the Netherlands*'  
Amsterdam, Gallery Binnen '*Premsela Present -Designers Design for a Designer*' \* 1997  
Paderborn, Schloss Neuhaus, Städtische Galerie in der Reithalle  
'*Keramik des 20 Jahrhunderts. Sammlung Welle*' \* 1996 Denmark,  
Middlefart, Museum of Ceramic Art, Grimmerhus '*New Dutch*

**Ceramics'**

Amsterdam, Stedelijk Museum '541 vazen, potten, plastieken en serviezen'

1995 Köln, Museum für Angewandte Kunst 'Abgedreht und Aufgebaut Europäische Keramik seit 1950 Sammlung Adolf Egner' \* 1994  
Maastricht, the European Fine Art Fair, Gallery Marijke Raaijmakers  
Haarlem, Frans Hals Museum 'Tulipvases from the Netherlands and Turkey (Tulip Mania Indoors and Out)'

1993 Baltimore, National Museum of Ceramic Art 'Facets of the same Nature'- A survey of contemporary Dutch ceramists \* Tokoname, Museum Tokoname 'The Inax Design Prize for Europeans 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup>' \*

1992 Paris, Institut Néerlandais 'Beyond Tradition,  
Contemporary Ceramics in the collection of the  
Museum Boijmans-van Beuningen Rotterdam' \*

1991 Tokyo, INAX Corporation 'Inax Design Prize III' \*

1990 Amsterdam, Stedelijk Museum, DECORATIO

1989 Haarlem, Frans Hals Museum, Vishal, *Hedendaagse Nederlandse keramiek*

1988 Roanne, Musée Joseph Déchelette 'Vice Versa' \*

Darmstadt, Hessischen Landesmuseum, *Keramik '88 TON IN TON*

1987 Syracuse, Everson Museum of Art

1986 Hamburg, Gallery L

London, Garth Clark Gallery 'International Ceramics Salon' 1985

Krefeld-Uerdingen, Gallery Klärwerk, Gerrit Rietveld Academie  
'Begegnung mit de Niederlanden'

Vienna, Keramik Studio

1984 Philadelphia, Helen Drutt Gallery

1983 Schiedam, Stedelijk Museum Schiedam

1982 Amsterdam, Gallery de Witte Voet

Hamburg, Museum für Kunst und Gewerbe, B.R.D.

1981 Groningen, Gallery de Glène Riepe

Amersfoort, Gallery Het Kapelhuis

1980 Düsseldorf, Hetjens-Museum, Europäische Keramik seit 1950,  
Sammlung Thiemann (Hamburg)

1979 Amsterdam, Gallery De Proen

**COMMISSIONS**

2021 Megève, private estate Rigo Saitta collection,  
Wallpaper 'Other Cosmologies' - Jacqui Poncelet and Babs Haenen  
Megève, private estate Rigo Saitta collection,  
Fireplace 'Frozen Light', porcelain tiles ,

production Royal Tichelaar Makkum  
2020 Megève, private estate Rigo Saitta collection,  
artwork 'Aqua Marine', porcelain tiles,  
production Royal Tichelaar Makkum  
2011 Rotterdam, Eye Clinic Focus '*Piece de Milieu*'  
2008 Haarlem, City theatre, porcelain ornament and tiles,  
designs and models for the architect Erick van Egeraat,  
production Royal Tichelaar Makkum  
2005 Kats, Molenaar-Adriaanse, design and production fireplace  
2003 Dordrecht, council-hall, Artwork- wall piece  
1998 Amsterdam, Stichting Het Woningbedrijf Amsterdam,  
later Building company Ymere '*WAd tile*', production  
Royal Tichelaar Makkum  
1995 The Hague, Ministry of Foreign Affairs '*Le retour éternel du ciel*'  
1994 Schiphol, Amsterdam Schiphol Airport '*Tulipière III*' 1996

## **COLLECTIONS**

### **Europe:**

Amsterdam Nederlandsche Bank  
ABN AMRO- Art & Heritage  
House Corporation Ymere  
Stedelijk Museum  
AkzoNobel Art Foundation  
Schiphol NV Airport Schiphol  
Dordrecht Council-hall Municipal Dordrecht  
Arnhem Museum for Modern Art  
Leeuwarden Princessehof National Museum of Ceramics  
Rotterdam Museum Boijmans van Beuningen Eye Clinic  
Focus  
Den Bosch Design Museum Den Bosch  
Den Haag Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
The Hague Municipal Museum  
Koninklijke PTT Nederland. NV  
Düsseldorf Hetjens Museum / Deutsches Keramikmuseum  
Haarlem Frans Halsmuseum  
Hamburg Museum für Kunst und Gewerbe  
Heino Hannema – De Stuers Fundatie  
Schiedam Stedelijk Museum  
Otterloo Nederlands Tegelmuseum  
Berlin Kunstgewerbe Museum  
Düsseldorf Hetjens-Museum  
London Victoria and Albert Museum

Lyon Lyon Museum of Modern Art

**USA:**

New York Metropolitan Museum of Art  
Cooper Hewitt National Design Museum Pittsburgh  
Carnegie Institute Museum of Art Syracuse Everson  
Museum of Art  
Charlotte Mint Museum of Craft and Design  
Houston Museum of Fine Art  
Boise Boise Art Museum  
Philadelphia Philadelphia Museum of Art  
Sacramento Crocker Art Museum

**Canada:**

Toronto The George R. Gardener Museum of Ceramic Art

**Japan:**

Shigaraki The Museum of Contemporary Ceramic Art  
Tokoname Inax Corporation,  
Gifu Museum of Modern Ceramics Art

**China:** Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, Beijing  
Consulate of the Netherlands, Guangzhou LiLing Ceramics  
Valley Museum, LiLing  
Tongchuan Master Creative Park Art Gallery

**VARIOUS ACTIVITIES**

- 2015 Workshop in Jingdezhen, Babs showing how she develops an object
- Congress 2002, The Position of the Ceramicists with the European Ceramic Work Centre and Academy of Art and Design den Bosch, one of the lectures done by Babs Haenen
- Lecture at the seminar Nederlandse Keramiekopleiding, 30 year anniversary
- Coöpus porcelain workshop Netty van den Heuvel and Babs Haenen, Maastricht
- The Brainbox, Dance performance between David Groot (memory) and Babs Haenen (she is the boss), Zaak Foundation, Groningen, 1990 - Visiting lecturer at the Royal College of Art, London Institute, England - Dutch board Ceramic Millenium '99, Rai Amsterdam
- Design committee, advising the Ministry of OCW for the Premsela Foundation

- Judith Leyster Foundation 1987-1994
- Stichting Beeldrecht (Pictoright) 1997-1994
- Stichting Fonds voor de Beeldende Kunsten  
Vormgeving en Bouwkunst, Commissie Basis Stipendia  
1993/1994-1995/1996-2000/2003
- Organizing exhibitions:  
 ‘Ceramics in Architecture’ with Gallery Binnen, Amsterdam  
 ‘Goudomrand- the future handmade’, Nederlandsche Bank,  
 Amsterdam  
 ‘Form and Sculpture’, Nederlandsche Bank, Amsterdam/  
 Ministry of Finance, the Hague  
 ‘Made in China’, Nederlandsche Bank/ Ministry of Finance  
 ‘Salah-ad-Din’, Princessehof National Museum of Ceramics, Leeuwarden  
 2013
- lecture Slow Craft -BNO, free designers - 2008
- lecture ‘How I shaped a wall’, Jingdezhen- 2011
- quest curator ‘Clay! A Century Ceramics at the Gerrit Rietveld Academie’  
2014
- workshop ‘Ceramics for Ever’, International Academy of Ceramic Arts,  
Alden Biezen-Bilzen
- audio tour Rijksmuseum, explaining the Chaplet vase, 2015

## **SELECTED BIBLIOGRAPHY**

### **Books and catalogues**

Asscher , Maarten *Try and Treasure*, Jap Sam Books /Archivorum+M  
2024

Guillaume, Lamia *Par le Feu, la couleur Céramiques contemporaines*  
Musée des Beaux-Arts- Lyon 2021

Ellison Jr Robert A *Shapes from Out of Nowhere*, August Editions USA  
2021

Gasparian, Maria *More than Bricks!*, tradition and zukunft der  
Architekturkeramik- Porzellanikon, Staatliches Museum fur Porzellan- Selb  
2020

Aziza, Helene *Entre eau et ciel: Amsterdam-* Paris mai 2019 Luo, Jian  
*The Mode – International Ceramics Art Invitational Exhibition Liling*  
Ceramic Valley Museum, Hunan, China- 2016-2017

Auch, Monika Talking Ceramics- Sunday morning@ekwc, Stichting  
Europees Keramisch Werkcentrum- 2016 Unique, N *Masterly-The*  
*Dutch in Milano* – exhibition in Palazzo Francesco Turati – Salone del  
Mobile 2016- Milan Barnas, Maria. *Object under/Object below* -Sanders

## Collection 2015

Heslenfeld, M *Clay! A century ceramics at the Gerrit Rietveld Academie*

Exhibition Municipal Museum The Hague, 2014 Waanders Uitgevers.

Strengers, A *In Sight, Vision and Focus, Collection in perspective* De Nederlandsche Bank, Art Committee, Kamermans, J *Verglaasde Charme, De schoonheid van de Nederlandsche tegel* SPA uitgevers Zwolle, 2013 Clark, Garth

Strauss, Cindy *Shifting Paradigms in Contemporary Ceramics*, Collection Garth Clark and Mark Del Vecchio Yale University Press with the Museum of Fine Art, Houston, 2012

de Waal, Edmund *The pot book*, the Phaidon Press Limited 2011

Brouwer, Marcel J.W.N.van Achterbergh, *Een gedreven verzamelaar*, Stichting van Achterbergh-Domhof, 2011 Schouwenberg , L Prins Claus Fund Journal #10 a

*'The Future is Handmade: The Survival and Innovation of Crafts*, 2003, design Irma Boom

De Vries, Mariette *Present*, Koninklijke Tichelaar Makkum Uitgeverij 010, Rotterdam 2010

van Winden, W *Fusion, Sun* 2010 *Bedrijfscollecties Nederland*, NAI uitgevers Rotterdam 2009

de Wagt, Wim *Het Geschenk*, Stadsschouwburg Haarlem, 1918-2009 HDC Media 2009

de Jong, Koos *Keramiek & Architectuur* , EKWC, 's-Hertogenbosch 2009

Augustijn, Piet *Hedendaagse Keramiek in Nederland* ,Nederlandse Vakgroep Keramiek-NVK,2008 Amsterdam Janssen, Hans XXste Eeuw, Waanders uitgevers Zwolle, Gemeentemuseum den Haag, 2008

Auch, Monica *Vrije Vormgeving*, mapping Dutch conceptual crafts, BNO 2008 Amsterdam

Leclercq, Anne *Triennale Européenne*, céramique, Verre, WCC.BF, Mons 2007

Strengers, A. *Eigenlijk Eigentijds*, Art Collection Nederlandsche Bank'1982-2007

Trumpie, Ank *Pretty Dutch*, 18de-eeuws Hollands Porselein, Princessehof National Museum of Ceramics Leeuwarden, 010 Publishers, Rotterdam, 2009 Clark, Garth Shards, Garth Clark on Ceramic Art,

DAP 2004, USA

Dietz, Ulysses G. *Great Pots*, Contemporary Ceramics from function to

fantasy, The Newark Museum, New Ark, New Jersey 2003

-*The legacy of Modern Ceramic Art*, The Museum of Modern Ceramic Art, Gifu, Japan, 2003

Rijk, Thimo de *Designers in Nederland*, Ludio Amsterdam, Gent, 2003

Cooper, E *Ten thousand years of pottery*, the British Museum Press, 2002

Boot, M *The Turbulent Vessel. Babs Haenen – Keramiek/Ceramics 1991-1998* Amsterdam: Stedelijk Museum 1998

Crommelin, L *Keramiek in het Stedelijk/Ceramics*, Amsterdam: Stedelijk Museum 1998

-*Verborgen collectie*, KPN, Koninklijke PTT Nederland NV 's Gravenhage 1995

-*Catalogue of the Collection 1992*. Shigaraki, Contemporary Ceramic Art 1993

Del Vecchio, Mark *Postmodern Ceramics*. London: Thames&Hudson 2001

Dormer, Peter *The New Ceramics - Trends and Traditions*. London: Revisited edition 1994

Douglas, Mary F *Allan Chassanoff Ceramic Collection*. Charlotte, N.C.: Mint- Museum of Craft+Design 2000

Clark, Garth *Babs Haenen. tien jaar werk/a decade of work*, Leeuwarden: Princessehof National Museum of Ceramics 1991

Spruit-Ledeboer *Nederlandse Keramiek 1975-1985*. Amsterdam

*Staal, G. Holland in Vorm, Vormgeving in Nederland 1945-1987*. 's-Gravenhage:

-*Inax Design Prize III*- Tokyo: Inax Corporation 1992