

Tijmen Steenvoorden, NL 1999



"Tijmen Steenvoorden focuses on the metamorphic nature of images. An image may be static, but it anchors the viewer to the shifting and complex layers of reality beyond what is visually presented. The images Tijmen wants to create are in constant flux, reflecting a mobile, oscillating, cloudlike quality. Rather than only being records, these images should awaken a version of reality that is constantly in motion. To depict them through painting, means to visualize their process rather than just their appearance. This involves filling gaps, layering, and creating palimpsest textures that allow surfaces to melt into transparency. By overpainting on a single surface, Tijmen defines the image not as stable, still, or finished, but as open and responsive, mirroring the dynamic nature of reality itself."

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Education

2025 - Present
Project Atelier
KASKA DKO
Antwerpen, BE

2019 - 2023
Bachelor of Fine Arts in Art and Design
Gerrit Rietveld Academie
Amsterdam, NL

2021 - 2022
Exchange program, Chelsea College of Art and Design
London, UK

2016 - 2018
Grafisch Lyceum Rotterdam ART&DESIGN
Rotterdam, NL

2018 - 2018
Preparatory Courses XXL at Willem de Kooning Academie
Rotterdam, NL

Internship

2019
Atelier Anne Wenzel en Eric Jan van de Geer
Rotterdam, NL

2018
Studio Renate Boere
Den Haag, NL

Exhibitions

2025
KunstRAI 2025
Art fair Exhibition
Amsterdam, NL

2025
"I like the idea of me"
Group exhibition at Kunstruimte de Melkfabriek
s-Hertogenbosch, NL

2023
Galerij Intussen
Group exhibition
Amsterdam, NL

2023
BA Fine Arts graduation show Gerrit Rietveld Academie
Amsterdam, NL

2023
"Sometimes I Think I'm Thinking but I'm Actually Thinking of Thinking"
Residency at M4gastatelier
Amsterdam, NL

2022
"As if they know"
Residency at When Site Lost the Plot
Amsterdam, NL

2020
"Stranded still searching"
Installation with Shai Datauker
Amsterdam, NL