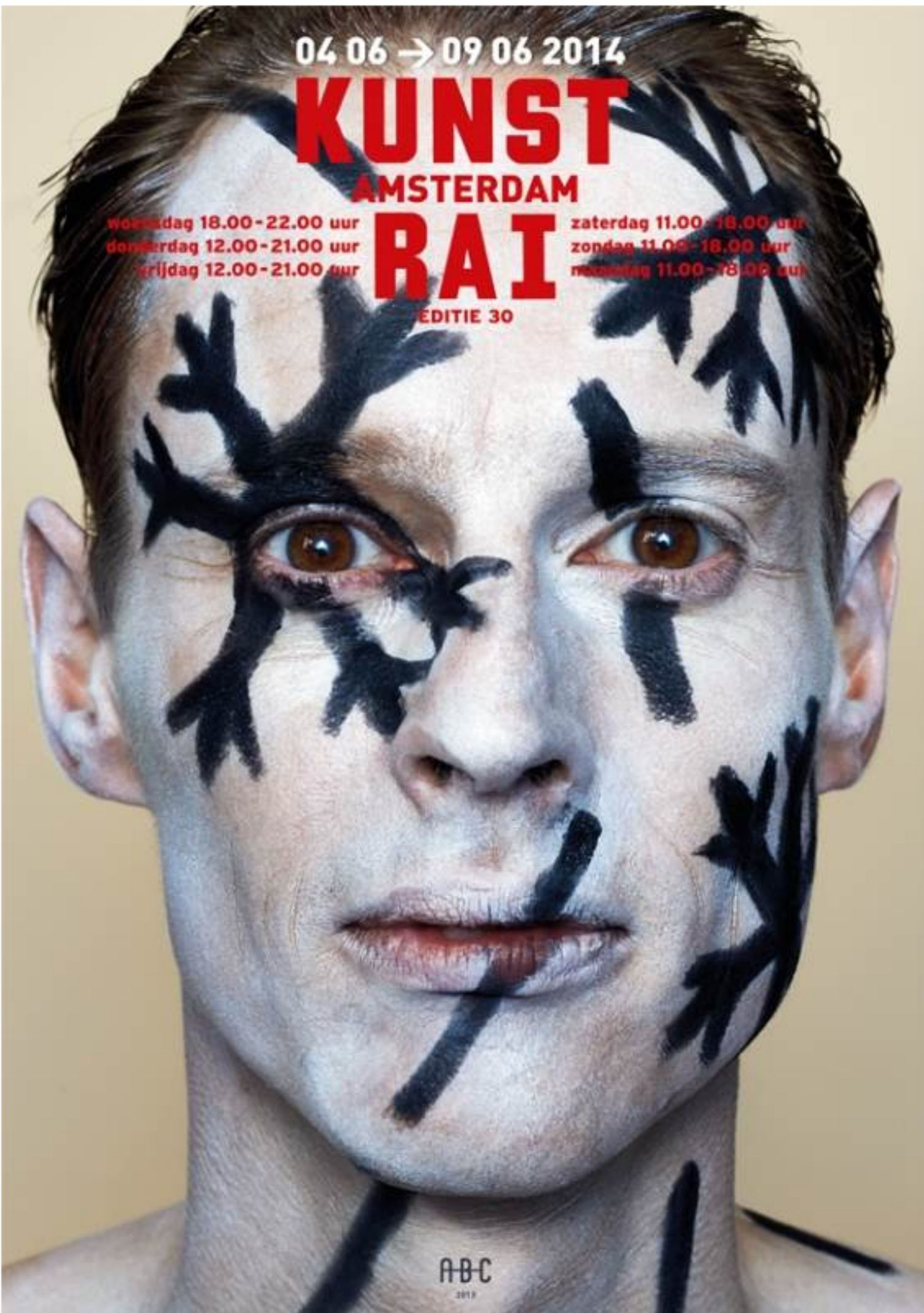


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KUNSTRAI'S 30TH EDITION



KunstRAI is a national contemporary art exhibition and fair in Amsterdam, featured annually at the RAI Convention Centre. Beginning on the 4th of June running through to the 9th, KunstRAI will be opening the prestigious fair, exhibiting modern and contemporary artworks by Dutch and international artists. 60 galleries will be participating in this year's fair with booths and solo stands on display.

This year's fair will feature prominent and young upcoming artists displaying art pieces in the galleries booths. Several of the gallery booths will also have the opportunity to utilize Solo stands. Placed next to the regular booths, a specially selected artist will have their work displayed separately in the solo stand, allowing for a greater appreciation and understanding of their work. Raw- Edge booths will also feature cutting-edge artworks by young and up-coming artists.

The fair has been held annually since 1985, when Wim van Krimpen founded the art fair using the Stichting Kunstbeurs or Art fair Foundation along with Martijn Sanders as first director. It has seen numerous directors over the years and in 1992 was eventually handed over to the RAI. In 1997 the Art Amsterdam fair was also added as a subtitle to KunstRAI, though was later cancelled in 2012 after not attracting enough registrants.

Celebrating its 30th anniversary this year will be quite the celebration. A special exhibition featuring all of KunstRAI's iconic posters designed by artist Anthon Beeke between 1994 and 2002 and again since 2012, will be displayed as a part of the celebrations. The posters are distinctive in that they all display a featured artist's face, usually painted or wearing a mask of some form with a referent to one of their artworks. Daan Roosegaarde, an artist, designer and inventor who uses art, science and technology to explore the relationships between people, technology and space, is the cover for 2014's poster. His face displays his work on the smart highway project, which uses light, energy and signage to adapt automatically to traffic conditions, making highways safer and more sustainable.

Masterpiece, a prodigious international grassroots movement will have a stand at the fair displaying art created in conflict areas. Art and music are essential to developing their admirable philosophy of inspiring the world to use talent and energy for building peace and togetherness.

Another interesting exhibition called YiP or Young in Prison will be selling photographs donated by famous photographers. All proceeds will be used to fund the YiP project, which helps incarcerated children have a second chance and is implemented on an international scale.

These stands among others like ADCN, Timmer Art Books, Speed Limit and including galleries MILK, Vriend van Bavink, Lijla Zakirova, Galerie Ra, Flatland Gallery, ArtKitchen, Galerie Clement, Chiefs & Spirits, Livingstone Gallery and so many more, will prove to be an entertaining and awe inspiring day of modern art and ideas at the KunstRAI Art Fair.

Tickets for KunstRAI can be purchased online for a discounted price of €12,50 or can be purchased at the RAI for €15. Under 18's can purchase tickets for €10 and children under 12 are free admission. For more information visit www.kunstrai.nl

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