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## MARC LABELS

Multidisciplinary artist

My visual art is centered around – but by no means limited to – drawing. In my recent 'tree drawings' and related works, but also in earlier paintings, I show patterns and shapes in the (natural) arbitrariness that are recognised on a primal, rather than cognitive, level. I steer clear of the romanticism or (alleged) spiritualism that often informs renditions of natural subjects, while trying to preserve the sense of wonder. That way, I am able to apply the same conceptual approach to 'non-natural' subjects, or to multimedia projects and installations. In which, as a multidisciplinary artist, I also incorporate photography, painting, music and writing.

## WEBSITES

visual art

[www.emergency.nl](http://www.emergency.nl)

music

[www.marcfabels.com](http://www.marcfabels.com)

poetry and prose

[www.thedailyemergency.nl](http://www.thedailyemergency.nl)

## SOCIAL MEDIA

[www.linkedin.com/in/marcfabels/](http://www.linkedin.com/in/marcfabels/)

[www.instagram.com/marcfabels/](http://www.instagram.com/marcfabels/)

## EDUCATION

2017 - Certification Didactics/Examination HKU  
2018

1990 - Visual Communication Enschede, AKI  
1997 diploma

## EXHIBITIONS

2024 Salon Smit & Soetekouw Vrij Paleis  
Amsterdam, Netherlands extra-long  
edition, 4 days with exceptional,  
beautiful, tough, rough, and delightful  
work from 25+ artists, bands, and acts.  
[Group](#)

2024 A Tree (And Then Some) Atelier Ferron  
The Hague, Netherlands Solo show of

## PROJECTS

2023 Murw (Af. Woef. Koekje?) eigen initiatief  
i.s.m. Peter te Bos Den Haag/Amsterdam,  
Netherlands Poetry pamphlet in newspaper  
format, designed by Peter te Bos, including  
live manifestations with recital, (self-  
composed) brassband music and 3D-  
objects (Te Bos).

2021 This is where my dreams go when I open my

- recent drawings, September 1 till October 5, 2024  
[www.ferronlijsten.nl/atelier-ferron/](http://www.ferronlijsten.nl/atelier-ferron/)  
 Solo
- 2024 Tekenkabinet XII (part 2) Art Singel 100 Amsterdam, Netherlands Great contemporary drawing on small format  
[www.tekenkabinet.nl](http://www.tekenkabinet.nl)  
 Group
- 2024 Tekenkabinet XII Projectruimte BMB Amsterdam, Netherlands Great contemporary drawing on small format  
[www.tekenkabinet.nl/](http://www.tekenkabinet.nl/)  
 Group
- 2023 Weekend expo Marc Fabels Studio 'De Bushalte' Amsterdam, Netherlands Weekend long exhibition of drawings in the studio of artists Gerard Pouw and René Mos, April 14 + 15 + 16, 2023.  
 Solo
- 2022 Tekenkabinet X Art Singel 100 Amsterdam, Netherlands Great contemporary drawing on small format  
[www.tekenkabinet.nl](http://www.tekenkabinet.nl)  
 Group
- 2022 Tekenkabinet Xtra Galerie with tjalling Groningen, Netherlands Extension of the Tekenkabinet X exhibition from August 17 till 21, 2022  
[www.withtsjalling.nl/tekenkabinet-xtra/](http://www.withtsjalling.nl/tekenkabinet-xtra/)  
 Group
- 2022 Gallery of draftsmanship Online exhibition Arnhem, Netherlands Virtual exhibition space for drawing artists  
[www.wimkranendonk.nl/tekenaars](http://www.wimkranendonk.nl/tekenaars)  
 Group
- 2022 Project 72 Kunstenlab Deventer, Netherlands Installation of 72 pieces of wood, 72 drawings and a soundscape  
[www.kunstenlab.nl](http://www.kunstenlab.nl)  
 Solo
- 2021 Tekenkabinet 2021 Belgisch Paviljoen Amsterdam, Netherlands Great contemporary drawing on small format  
[www.tekenkabinet.nl](http://www.tekenkabinet.nl)  
 Group
- eyes eigen initiatief The Hague, Netherlands  
[www.emergency.nl/work/this-is-where-my-dreams-go-when-i-open-my-eyes](http://www.emergency.nl/work/this-is-where-my-dreams-go-when-i-open-my-eyes) Moving image project, originated in photography, music and writing, exploring an inner world. (in development)
- 2021 Zeit/Geist (working title) eigen initiatief The Hague, Netherlands  
[www.emergency.nl/work/ghost](http://www.emergency.nl/work/ghost) A series of large drawings, using shape and texture as a means to observe a parallel universe that may be visible, yet can only be experienced through the soul. The series of drawings will be part of a multimedia installation. (in development)

## SALES/WORKS IN COLLECTIONS

- 2024 Tree drawing 44 (Dear Anselm) Private collection Amsterdam, Nederland gouache and pencil on used cardboard envelope (outside), 16,7 x 29 cm.
- 2024 Tree drawing 41 Private collection Pijnacker, Nederland gouache and pencil on used C5 envelope, 29,5 x 16 cm.
- 2024 Tree drawing 49 Private collection The Hague/Ede, Nederland gouache and pencil on toothpaste box (inside), 24,3 x 18,3 cm
- 2024 Tree drawing 52 Private collection The Hague, Nederland gouache, pencil, nails on plano medicine box (inside), mounted on found wooden plank, 31,5 x 18,5 x 4 cm
- 2023 Tree drawing 26 (Twilight) Private collection Amsterdam, Nederland Pencil drawing and spraypaint on 100 grs. recycled paper, 30 x 42 cm.
- 2023 Tree drawing 29 Private collection Amsterdam, Nederland Pencil drawing on vintage paper, 29,7 x 21 cm
- 2023 Temple Private collection Amsterdam, Nederland Acrylic on canvas, 30 x 40 cm.
- 2023 No. 7 Private collection Amsterdam, Nederland Acrylic on canvas, 50 x 60 cm.
- 2023 Tree drawing 21 Private collection Alzano Lombardo, Italië gouache and pencil on Galerie Maurits van de Laar-flyer, 14,8 x 21 cm.
- 2023 Tree drawing 35 Private collection IJmuiden, Nederland Pencil and gouache on plano rice packaging (inside), approx. 28 x 24 cm.
- 2023 Tree drawing 18 Private collection Jula (Mariestad), Zweden Gouache and pencil on toothpaste box (inside), approx. 17,5 x 24,5 cm.
- 2023 Movement (roadside trees) Private collection Amsterdam, Nederland

## PUBLICATIONS

- 2024 Catalogue Tekenkabinet XII (2024) Catalog Tekenkabinet Tekenkabinet Amsterdam, Netherlands [www.tekenkabinet.nl](http://www.tekenkabinet.nl) Catalogue group show
- 2023 WAS GETEKEND... MARC FABELS Sandra Mackus online, Netherlands [www.sandramackus.nl/was-getekend-marc-fabels/](http://www.sandramackus.nl/was-getekend-marc-fabels/) Blog post reviewing drawings by Marc Fabels at studio De Bushalte, Amsterdam
- 2022 Catalogue Tekenkabinet X (2022) Catalog Tekenkabinet Tekenkabinet Amsterdam, Netherlands [www.tekenkabinet.nl](http://www.tekenkabinet.nl) Catalogue group show
- 2021 Catalogue Tekenkabinet IX (2021) Catalog Tekenkabinet Tekenkabinet Amsterdam, Netherlands [www.tekenkabinet.nl](http://www.tekenkabinet.nl) Catalogue group show
- 2014 Prozaïek 02 Book eigen beheer Marc Fabels The Hague, Netherlands [www.emergency.nl/work/writing](http://www.emergency.nl/work/writing) Collection of short fiction, with paintings, in hand sewn sandpaper cover, edition of 50, signed and numbered

- Pencil drawing on found paper, ± 65 x 21 cm.
- 2023 Last Snow Ever (Roadside Trees Nr. 4)  
Private collection Amsterdam,  
Nederland Indian ink and pencil on ±  
250 grs. vintage paper, 63 x 44 cm.
- 2023 Dunes I Private collection Amsterdam,  
Nederland Pencil on 250 grs. art paper,  
11 x 15,5 cm.
- 2022 Everything will be alright Private  
collection Amsterdam, Nederland  
Pencil drawing on 160 grs. Canson  
Rose Force
- 2022 Tree drawing 14 Private collection Jula  
(Mariestad), Zweden Pencil on  
discarded Taiwanese library book  
(inside), approx. 21 x 29 cm.
- 2022 Tree drawing on vintage envelope  
(inside) Private collection Jula  
(Mariestad), Zweden Pencil on vintage  
envelope (inside), 32,5 x 20,5 cm.
- 2022 Belgorod (ammunition depot, 2022),  
Russia - Booming Business series  
Private collection Huizen, Nederland  
Pencil on plano salt packaging (inside),  
32 x 25 cm.
- 2022 Daraya, Syria (barrel bomb, 2016) -  
Booming Business series Private  
collection Huizen, Nederland Pencil and  
tape on plano tea packaging (inside),  
24,5 x 19 cm.
- 2022 Kyiv, Ukraine (2022) - Booming  
Business series Private collection  
Huizen, Nederland Pencil on slightly  
modified rice packaging (inside), 35 x  
27,5 cm.
- 2021 Tree drawing 05 Private collection  
Huizen, Nederland Pencil drawing on  
plano tea box, approx. 44 x 32 cm.
- 2021 Untitled Private collection Huizen,  
Nederland Pencil drawing on plano C5  
envelope (inside), approx. 30 x 28 cm.
- 2021 Roadside trees Private collection  
Huizen, Nederland pencil drawing on  
250 grs. art paper, 29,7 x 21 cm
- 2021 We miss you / yeah I miss me too AKI

ArtEZ Enschede, Nederland pencil drawing on 250 grs. art paper, 13 x 18 cm

- 2021 Kenji Private collection Amsterdam, Nederland Pencil drawing on scrap packaging cardboard, 18 x 18 cm
- 2021 You Flaunt Your Shit Like A Medal Private collection The Hague, Nederland Pencil drawing on 250 grs. art paper, 15 x 21 cm.
- 2021 But I Will Not Carry Your Load Private collection The Hague, Nederland Pencil drawing on 250 grs. art paper, 15 x 21 cm.
- 2021 Tree drawing 13 Private collection Amsterdam, Nederland Pencil drawing on vintage paper, 29,7 x 21 cm
- 2021 Tree drawing 10 (calm the fuck down!) Private collection The Hague, Nederland Pencil drawing on plano medicine box on gold paint background, 18 x 18 cm.
- 2021 Tree drawing 02 Private collection Zaandam, Nederland Pencil drawing on vintage paper, 29,7 x 21 cm
- 2021 Tree drawing 07 Private collection Amstelveen, Nederland Pencil drawing on vintage paper, 29,7 x 21 cm
- 2021 Tree drawing 06 Private collection Naaldwijk, Nederland Pencil drawing on vintage paper, 29,7 x 21 cm
- 2021 Tree drawing 16 Private collection Rotterdam, Nederland Pencil drawing on plano medicine box (inside) on gold painted background, 18 x 18 cm.
- 2020 Ghost (project sketch) Private collection Enschede, Nederland Pencil drawing on 250 grs. art paper, 21 x 30 cm

## REVIEWS

- 2023 WAS GETEKEND... MARC FABELS  
Blog/Vlog Sandra Mackus Netherlands

## SECONDARY ART-RELATED ACTIVITIES

2017 - Lecturer Concept, AKI ArtEZ Enschede

[www.sandramackus.nl/was-getekend-marc-fabels/](http://www.sandramackus.nl/was-getekend-marc-fabels/) Article and conversation about the work

2021

2022 WAS GETEKEND... 10 JAAR TEKENKABINET Blog/Vlog Sandra Mackus Netherlands  
[www.sandramackus.nl/was-getekend-10-jaar-tekenkabinet/](http://www.sandramackus.nl/was-getekend-10-jaar-tekenkabinet/)  
[fbclid=IwAR2ZITluBgTY9I5r0JUdTSrsFGaUQahiRsQfs9F6xD-Vfp0Zt4faSZ74UD8](https://www.facebook.com/sandramackus.nl/?fbclid=IwAR2ZITluBgTY9I5r0JUdTSrsFGaUQahiRsQfs9F6xD-Vfp0Zt4faSZ74UD8) Highlights from the group show Drawing Cabinet X



Tree drawing 44 (Dear Anselm), 2024  
gouache and pencil on used cardboard envelope (outside), 16,7 x 29 cm.



Tree drawing 41, 2023  
gouache and pencil on used C5 envelope, 29,5 x 16 cm.



Daraya, Syria (barrel bomb, 2016), 2022  
Pencil and tape on plano tea packaging (inside), 24,5 x 19 cm.



Last Snow Ever (Roadside Trees Nr. 4), 2022  
Indian ink and pencil on paper, 63 x 44 cm

Sana'a, Yemen (airstrike) 2015, 2022  
pencil, tape on plano sugar packaging (inside), 36 x 26 cm



Project 72, 2022  
mixed media, 8 x 6 x 3 m



Belgorod (ammunition depot, 2022), Russia, 2022  
Pencil on plano salt packaging, 32 x 25 cm.



Tree drawing 14, 2021



Tree drawing 08, 2021  
pencil on vintage paper, 29,7 x 21 cm



Tree drawing 16, 2021  
pencil on plano medicine box, gold painted background,  
18 x 18 cm.