

Willem de Kooning Academy

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# Graduation Show

27.10—  
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The Willem de Kooning Academy welcomes you to the Graduation Show. For four days, the Academy will show the work of 150 young artists, educators and designers that graduated in 2020 and 2021. The Graduation Show contains updated graduation projects and a programme of performances, artist talks, film portraits and screenings.

# About our curriculum

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## Art and Design at Willem de Kooning Academy

The Bachelor curriculum of the Willem de Kooning Academy is quite different from other art academies. It is founded in a strong interdisciplinary ethos with great social commitment.

The Majors are the entry point of study for all Bachelor students from which they move towards the professional contexts of their choosing. The Autonomous, Social and Commercial Practices provide the interdisciplinary research contexts in the second half of the Bachelor programmes. They allow all students to create highly individual study paths that lead the students to the specific professional contexts the students seek out.

The Graduation Show is organised in three sections: the Autonomous, Commercial, or Social Practices that guided their professional education at the WdKA.

# How do I find my way?

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Floor	Practices
3	<u>Autonomous</u>
2	<u>Social</u>
1	<u>Commercial</u>
0	<u>Autonomous</u>
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## Autonomous Practices

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focus on the shift from the traditional autonomy of fine art towards critical self-organisation.

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## Commercial Practices

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focus on design research in relation to the world as an ecosystem consisting of complex interdependencies.

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## Social Practices

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focus on the notions of cultural production as a communal act that might challenge and reshape dispositions of power.

In each Practices section, you will find the work of graduates of all Majors (Bachelor courses) combined.

# Live Programme

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Take part in artist talks, performances and screenings and celebrate the winning graduates at the award ceremonies. Please visit the Information Desk for our daily programme.

## Graduation Catalogue

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Don't forget to check out [graduation.wdka.nl](https://graduation.wdka.nl) for more in depth information about your favorite graduate projects.