

### **INTRODUCTION**

I am a product/interaction designer, conceptual thinker and a science enthousiast. I like to make objects with which people can play, learn and discover. I am filled with curiosity. I have a telescope and an internet connection. Whatever is out there, I can find it!



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# EXPERIENCE

#### Co-founder Happybots BV (Jan. 2016 - ...)

Happybots is a startup launching their first product Felix. Felix is a robot that helps you track and talk about your mental health. Within this company I mainly focus on the design and coordinating the development of the product.

#### HBO Teacher at 'Mens en Techniek' Avans (Feb. 2018 - ...)

At Avans I teach mostly design subjects to healthcare technology students. I also coach students on internships and I'm part of the team coordinating the second year program.

#### What if Collective (Dec. 2016 - ...)

This artists collective has a focus on interactive installations. With this collective I worked on the installations 'MGNT' for the STRP Biënalle 2017 and 'Reflektor' for the Foederer Talent Award 2017.

#### Freelance designer PLYGRND.city (Dec. 2016 - Apr. 2017)

For this social design startup I facilitated and designed for co-creation sessions in disadvantaged neighborhoods.

#### Playground equipment for KruitKok (Jan. - Dec. 2016)

I designed an outdoor twister game in cooperation with Spereco.

#### Project manager MIT-feasibility study 'Neo' (July - Nov. 2016)

'Neo' was my graduation project at Design Academy Eindhoven. It is a music instrument that everyone could play. After my gradution I worked on technically developing 'Neo' further and investigating its market potential.

#### Tergooi Ontwerpwedstrijd (March - Sept. 2016)

For this design contest organized by Tergooi, a hospital in Hilversum, I designed a pill box that gives reminders.

#### Installation Oslo Architecture Triennale (July -Aug. 2016)

'The First Whole Moon Catalog' was a conceptual installation, initiated by Unfold, about living on the moon. I did research and design work for this project.

#### Intership Unfold (Sept. - Dec. 2014)

I did design work mostly around the theme of digital craft.

## **EDUCATION**

**Basic qualification of teaching competence, Examination** BKE, Avans (2019)

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> **Smart Design to Market** Talent development program, Designforum (2017)

> > **European Venture Program** Summer program, TU/e (2016)

**Bachelor of Design** Man & Activity, Design Academy Eindhoven (2011 - 2015)

> Preparatory course art academy AKV St. Joost (2010)



**Highschool (VWO)** Lorentz Casimir Lyceum (2005 - 2011)

# SKILLS

DESIGN THINKING EDUCATION DESIGN PRODUCT DESIGN ENTREPRENEURSHIP TEACHING INTERACTION DESIGN PROJECT MANAGMENT PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT GRAPHIC DESIGN ANIMATION COACHING

## AWARDS

3rd place Foederer Talent Award (Reflektor' (June 2017)

> STRP ACT II Award 'MGNT' 'MGNT' (January 2017)

> > ASML Makers Award 'Neo' (February 2016)



**2nd place Tergooi Ontwerpwedstrijd** 'Pill box' (September 2016)

## **EXHIBITIS**

**Zorg voor morgen** 'Felix' (October 2019)

**Innovation for Health** 'Felix' (February 2019)

**Dutch Design Week** 'Felix' (October 2017 & 2018) 'Neo' (October 2015 & 2016)

**Dutch Technology Week** 'Felix' (June 2018)

**STRP Biënnale** 'MGNT' (March 2017)

**Cuypershuis** 'My street' (2017)

**Amsterdam Dance Event** 'Neo' (October 2016)

**Maintenant Festival** 'Neo' (October 2016)

**Tergooi Ontwerpwedstrijd** 'Pill box' (September 2016)

**FAQ Festival** 'Neo' (April 2016)

