

Driven by passion for architecture and photography I explore, observe and analyse my surroundings. The spatial expression of a place is what interests me most. Both designing and photographing architecture are a study of space and structure, light and composition.

If one desires to design a space, one can only design a structure that defines space. I believe that we - architects - have a task to generate a valuable space, inside and outside the building. I have a desire. A spatial desire for a structure that satisfies to practical functional qualities and still defines a complex space.



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## Education

September 2009 I started studying architecture, building and planning at the Eindhoven University of Technology. In March 2017 I received my diploma in Architecture. My graduation project 'Learning from architectural photography' was graded with a 9 and I passed with the distinction 'Cum Laude'.

## Work experience

### Private house upgrade

May 2017 - Mar 2018

The client wishes to improve the spatial experience of an existing annex. Besides, the house its facades will be renovated for both a higher insulation and esthetic value. The renovation work is scheduled for February 2018.

### Christian Kerez AG, Berlin

Apr 2017

Involved with the exposition for the Chicago Biennial and also working as design assistant. The short stay was due to the unfortunate development of two projects, within my trial period.

### Student assistant first years TU/e

Sep 2014 - Jun 2015

Giving guidance to a first years' design studio at the Eindhoven University of Technology, within the disciplines of architecture, construction and process.

## Extracurricular activities

### Chairman lustrum committee Pusphaira

Oct 2014 - Oct 2015

The committee organised multiple festivities for the 10th lustrum of the Eindhoven Students Football Club Pusphaira.

### Initiator reVIEW architecture events

Apr 2014 - Apr 2015

A series of excursions to visit projects and offices that are just steps away from the TU/e. The aim was to encourage a comfortable talk between students and architects.

In collaboration with: Koen van Velsen, Van Aken Architecten, architecten|en|en, Open Architecture Office, Diederendirrix.

### Treasurer study trip West Coast USA

Sep 2011 - Oct 2012

Organisation of a 15 day architectural study trip for 35 students to San Francisco, Las Vegas and Los Angeles. Primary tasks: managing finances and contacting American and Dutch offices and companies.

## Skills

### Languages

Dutch	Native language
English	Academic
German	Basic
French	Basic

### Crafts

Model making	████████████████████
Photography	████████████████
Drawing	████████████████

### Software

Autodesk AutoCAD	████████████████████
Autodesk Revit	████████████
ArchiCAD	████████
Rhino 3D	████████
SketchUp Pro	████████████████████
Adobe InDesign	████████████████████
Adobe Photoshop	████████████████████
Adobe Illustrator	████████████
Adobe Muse	████████
Microsoft office	████████████████

### Other

Drivers licence	Car (B)
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## Interests

Photography, hand drawing, football, ice skating, climbing, nature, traveling, reading and cooking.