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## **Opgelet! Kunstwerk! Opgelet! (Attention! Artwork! Attention!)**

The Art Bridge by Martijn Sandberg on Boelegracht in Amsterdam Zuidas, was opened and festively unveiled in September 2024.

Martijn Sandberg has created a bridge, where the artwork and the bridge form one whole. From the vertical line play of the free-standing, gold-coloured steel bars, a figuration emerges in relief: 'Attention! Artwork! Attention!'

It is a bridge as a work of art, a work of art as a bridge. The artwork plays with the essential question 'What is an artwork?' As it happens, a bridge is also called 'a work of art' - 'een kunstwerk' - in Dutch architectural terminology.

Martijn Sandberg: "I write with the bars of the bridge. It is playing with letters, light, relief and shadow. At the same time, the bridge is a nod to art and it always remains what the viewer sees in the artwork."

The bridge brings an ode to public art in general and is likewise a tribute to the bridge as architectural phenomenon.

Martijn Sandberg realised the bridge in collaboration with Atelier Rinzema, Haasnoot Bruggen, BPD and the municipality of Amsterdam. The art bridge is a donation to the municipality of Amsterdam by Ontwikkelcombinatie Zuidschans C.V., a collaboration between BPD and AM.

Title: 'Opgelet! Kunstwerk! Opgelet!' ('Attention! Artwork! Attention!')

Artist: Martijn Sandberg

Location: Art bridge, De Boelegracht, Zuidas, Amsterdam

Material: powder coated steel

Measurements: bridge (l x w) 26m x 2.04m, bars (h) 1.20m

Concept and figuration: 2019-2020

Year: 2024

Project assistance art: Atelier Rinzema

Commissioned by: Zuidschans C.V. (BPD & AM)