

April 23 2006





EXHIBITION

- 50 contemporary art works offered for sale
- A tapestry created by the detainees of Hoogstraten offered for sale
- The XIXth-C. cell of St.Gilles (1888)
- The phantasmagoric prison cell of Joulia Strauss

Opening hours of the exhibition: Fri. -

Fri. - Sat. April 21 - 22 : 11 am - 5 pm

Guides available

Sunday April 23 : 10 am - 4.30 pm

Contribution: 2 Eur

Opening hours of the sale:

1 pm - 4.30 pm

Price Benefit Sale + 1 catalogue (136p. full colour): single 20 Eur / double 30 Eur

Ticket includes

access to 1st floor: exhibition, sale and lottery of work Zimmer mit Aussicht

by Jan Hoet

access to 2nd floor : High Tea Party

Please show this invitation card at the entrance





ART for detainees: luxury or urgency?



Joulia Strauss in the prison of St.Gilles 2002 © L. Nollet

In 2000 Jan Hoet supported the first initiative of Art Without Bars and since then works of art from well established artists were on show in several pentientian institutions. The intention is clear and the first reactions proved to be a success. The shock with the work of art including the participation of the detainee into the discussion, can act as a lever towards social reintegration.

Access to Art in detention centres is based on the human right to participate in culture. Art Without Bars insists on this universal right. Many detainees belong to the underprivileged class and this fresh experience is brand-new to them. We stand for a hands-on cultural experience as a remedy against the destructive idleness during detention and an opening towards critical thinking, and thus finally as a valuable approach to social reintegration. Simultaneously Art Without Bars attracts the interest of the citizen for the reality behind the bars and thus opens new cultural perspectives.

The Board of Art Without Bars under the High Patronage of H.M. the Queen is honoured to invite

to the Benefit Art Sale and High Tea

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