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**Work by Amie Dicke in Oud Amelisweerd**
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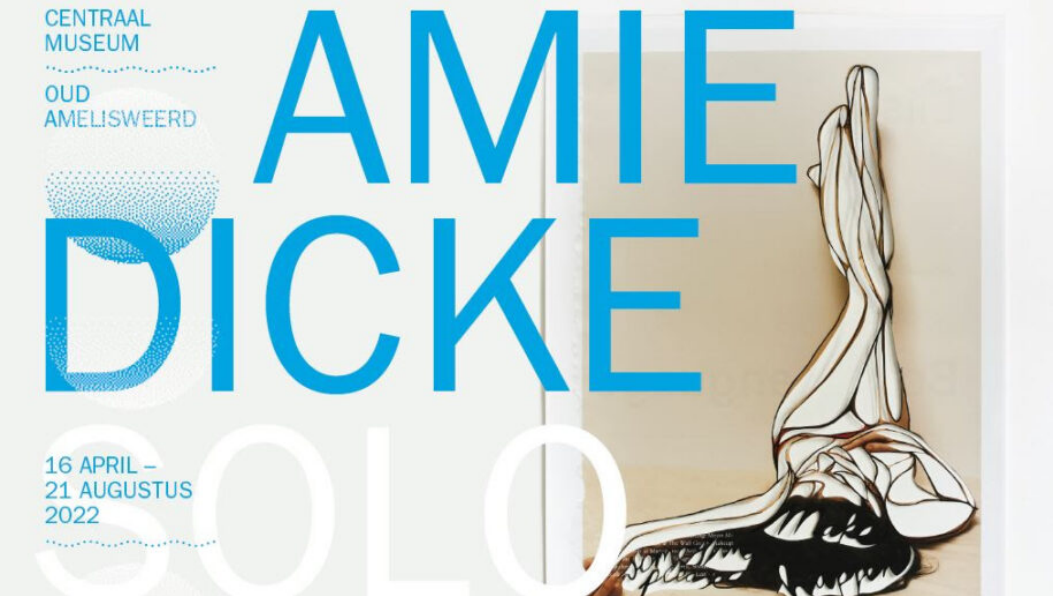


From 2022 to 2026, the Centraal Museum will be situated in Oud Amelisweerd. This beautiful historical estate will serve as the backdrop for a solo exhibition by a renowned Dutch contemporary artist every spring and summer for five years. Artist Amie Dicke is leading the way, with her work on display from April 16 to August 21.

Photos from fashion magazines, newspaper clippings, and pages from art monographs serve as source material for Amie Dicke's work (born 1978, Rotterdam). Dicke selects her images with great precision. Initially, her fascination was primarily directed towards the fashion industry, exploring how models are depicted in fashion magazines and how she felt both drawn to and estranged from the presented beauty ideals and imposed stereotypes.

Dicke contemplates how we interact with the multitude of images that reach us daily. How does one interpret an image? And what kind of images construct one's identity? She seeks to comprehend them by responding to them and appropriating them. Each image is meticulously manipulated using various techniques she has developed and refined over the years. Portions of the image are sanded away, surgically cut, splattered with ink, or covered in makeup.

In this exhibition, a selection of works from the past 20 years is brought together. On one hand, the various manipulation strategies are showcased, while on the other, a dialogue is established between the artworks and the historical interior spaces of the venue. Both in Dicke's work and in the rooms of Oud Amelisweerd, traces of time and action, as well as references to history, play a significant role.