

‘Building Bridges’: students showcase how they made art of their science at the University Library

The Graduate School of Life Sciences ‘I Art my Science’ exhibition opened its doors on Friday May 20th with an inspiring afternoon.

Last Friday, the University Library hosted a festive opening of the first edition of the exhibition ‘I Art my Science’. I Art my Science is a creative Graduate School of Life Sciences (GSLs) project that encourages scientists to shape their research in an artistic way to show it to the world.

Inspiring perspectives

The opening of the exhibition took place at the University Library with the participation of prof. Paul Ziche (Department for Philosophy and Religious Studies, Utrecht University) and prof. Berent Prakken (vice dean for education, Faculty of Medicine, Utrecht University) as invited speakers. Students participated in an inspiring talk about the relation between art and science from very different perspectives.

Building bridges

The art showcases how multidisciplinary our graduate school is. It beautifully connects art and science and, as the opening event showed, builds bridges at a higher level within Utrecht University. The director of the GSLs, prof. Harold van Rijen had the honour of cutting the ribbon and opening the exhibition officially, after which Master’s students, PhD candidates and GSLs staff members enjoyed a much needed social event together surrounded by art and science.

Go visit the Living Lab

For now, the exhibition will stay at the University Library in the ‘Living Lab’. The space is open to researchers, teachers and students to stimulate interaction and sharing knowledge. You are welcome to visit the exhibition and use the facilities for group work, training, and interfaculty knowledge exchange. For more information, please visit the [site](#).

Art your own science

The ‘I Art my Science’ team is aiming to continue inspiring and awakening the creative spirit in our scientists. Students and staff members of the GSLs can now submit their own artworks for the second edition with a brand new theme: exploration! We invite you to capture exploration and patterns in your research. On the ‘I Art my Science’ [website](#), you can find all the details on how to be part of this second edition, so you can art your science too ❤️

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