

## **NICK J. SWARTH SHABBY ART THAT FALLS APART**

'Shabby Art That Falls Apart' is made with cheap materials and objets trouvés, in particular disposables. Thus the unsightly, the squalid, gets a second life in absurd, vulnerable collages and dark 'Dirt Drawings', that reflect on western society. They also question the notions of artistic value and beauty.

'Schäbige Kunst die auseinanderfällt' wird zusammengestellt aus billigen Materialien und Fundstücken, insbesondere Wegwerfartikeln. So bekommt das Unschöne, das Schmutzige ein zweites Leben in absurde, verletzlichen Collagen sowie in dunklen 'Dirt Drawings', in denen der Künstler Zustände in den westlichen Gesellschaften reflektiert. Sie stellen auch die Vorstellungen vom künstlerischem Wert und Schönheit in Frage.

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### **Exhibitions**

2015 – 'AK47', Group exhibition, Artspace Flipside, Eindhoven NL  
2015 – Duo exhibition w/ Michiel van der Zanden, Neue Galerie Landshut DE  
2015 – 'Daar waar het schip strandt', Group exhibition, Artspace Flipside, Eindhoven NL  
2014 – 'Shabby Art That Falls Apart', Solo exhibition, IDFX Breda NL  
2014 – 'Look what I found in your rice', Duo exhibition w/ Ciska Jansen, Bauchhund, Berlin DE  
2006 – 'Wildwechsel', Group exhibition, In der Frise, Hamburg DE

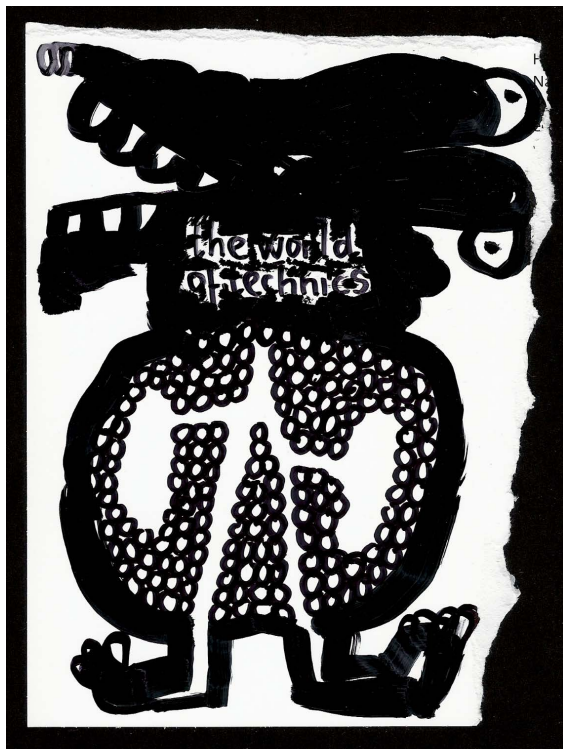
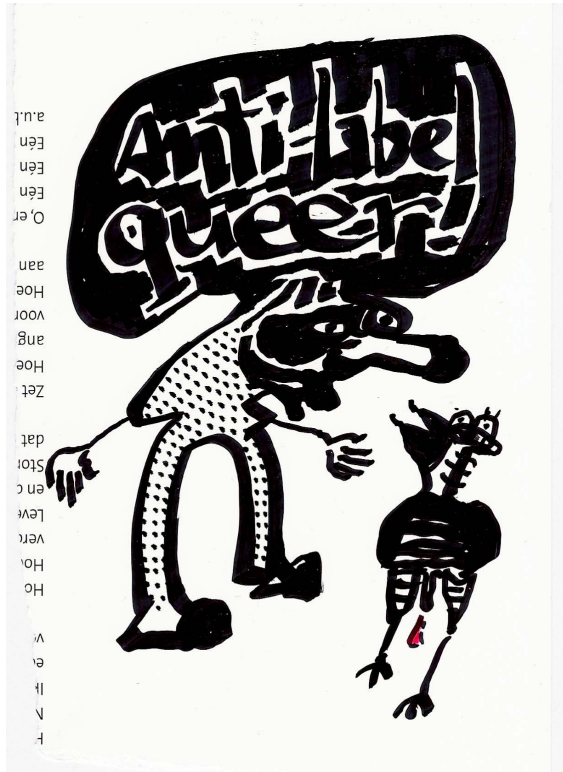


**CHARLOWIE**

black marker on scrap paper, 21 x 29.7

**IK BEN WEG - I AM GONE**

black marker on scrap paper, 21 x 29.7



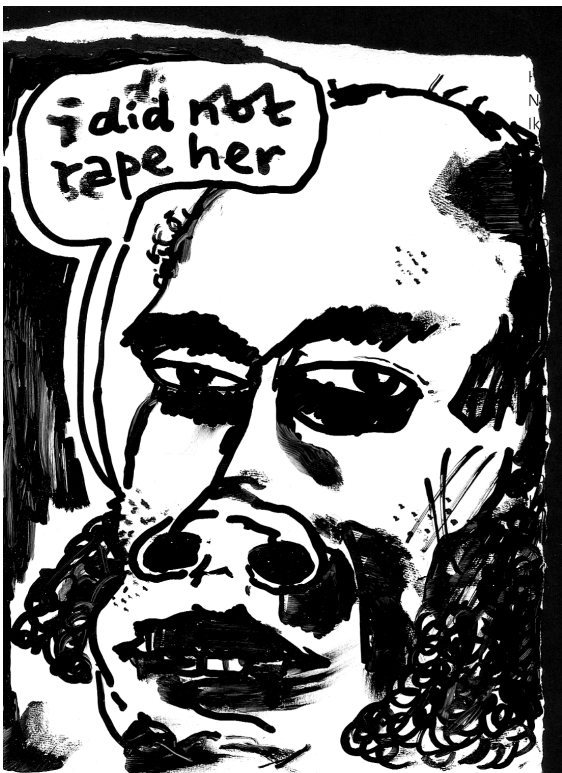
**DEPRESSIE WORDT VOLKSZIEKTE NUMMER 1  
ANTI-LABEL QUEER  
ENGAGEMENT!  
THE WHIRL OF TECHNICS**

all drawings: black marker on scrap paper, approx. 16 x 12



**DIRT DRAWING . 14**

black paint marker in scrap paper, 29.7 x 21



**RAT-TAT-TAT-TAT**  
**NECRO-FETISHIST**  
**I DID NOT RAPE HER**  
**WE ALL AGREED ON THAT**

black paint marker on coated scrap paper, approx. 16 x 13



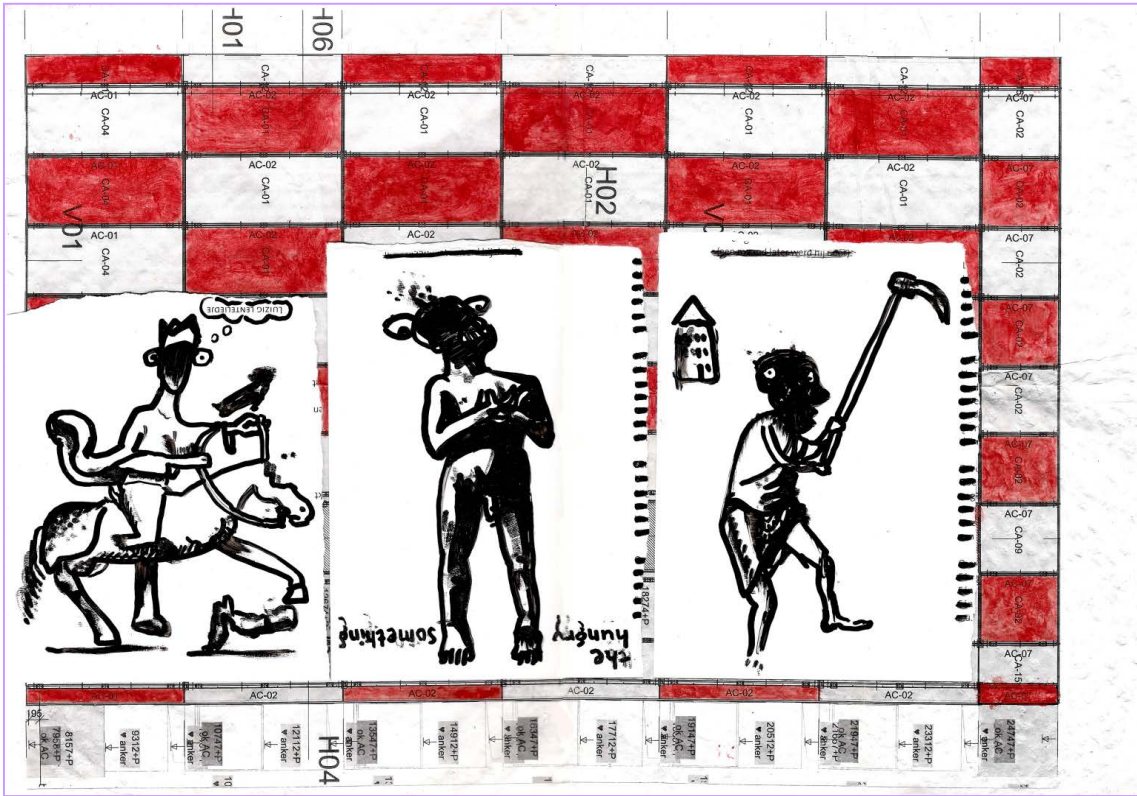
**DIRT DRAWING . 21**

black paint marker on scrap paper, 29.7 x 21



**SQUARE BOT LEADS THE WAY**

Scrap paper, black marker, gaffertape, band aid & blood 59 x 46.6

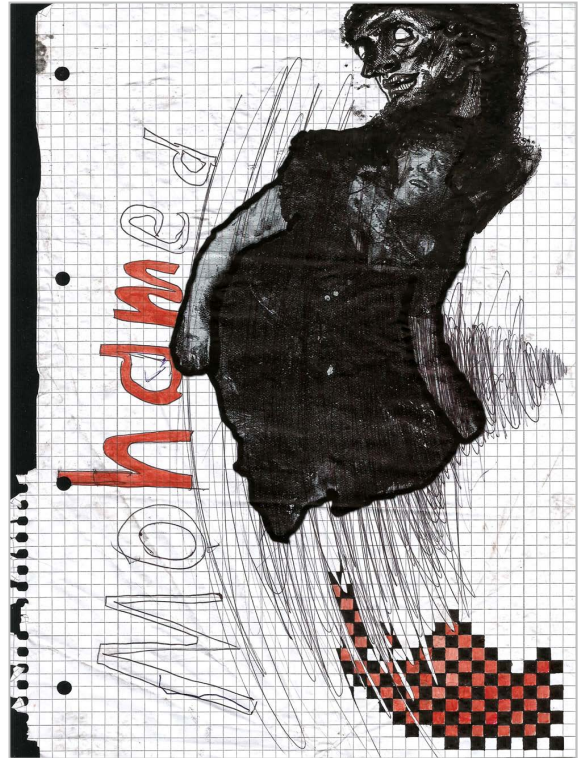
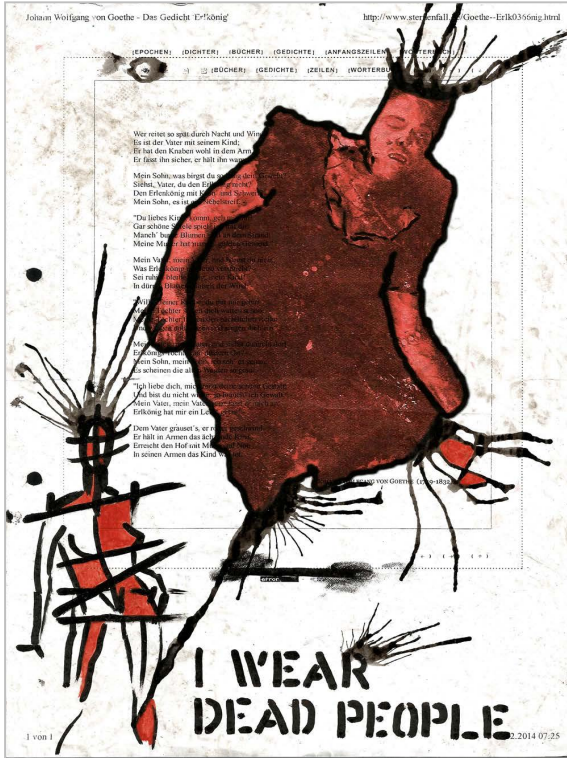


**DIRT DRAWING . 13**  
 black paint marker &  
 acrylic paint on scrap paper,  
 29.7 x 42

**FIST FEST**  
 ink & pencil on paper,  
 21 x 14.7







**I WEAR DEAD PEOPLE  
4 DIRT DRAWINGS**

Black paint marker, red ochre & print on scrap paper, 29.7 x 21, 2014



**I WEAR DEAD PEOPLE . FRENCH KISS  
DIRT DRAWING**

Black paint marker, red ochre & print on scrap paper, 29.7 x 21, 2014

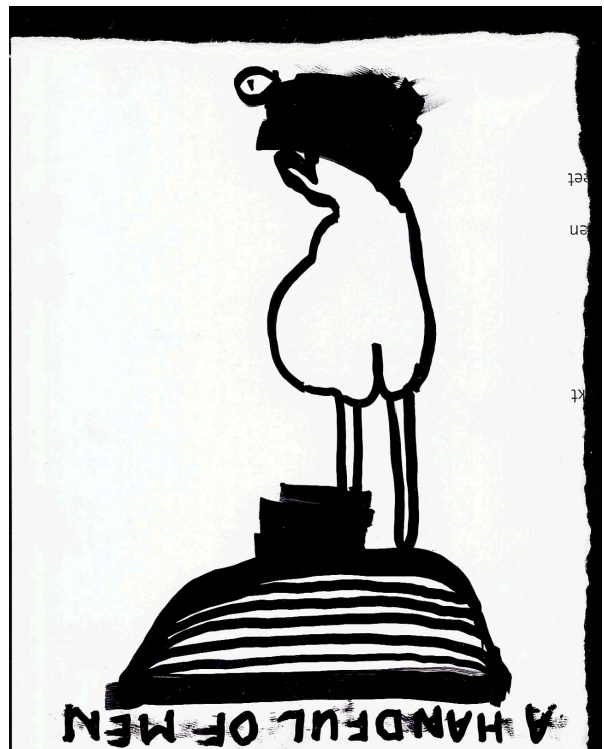
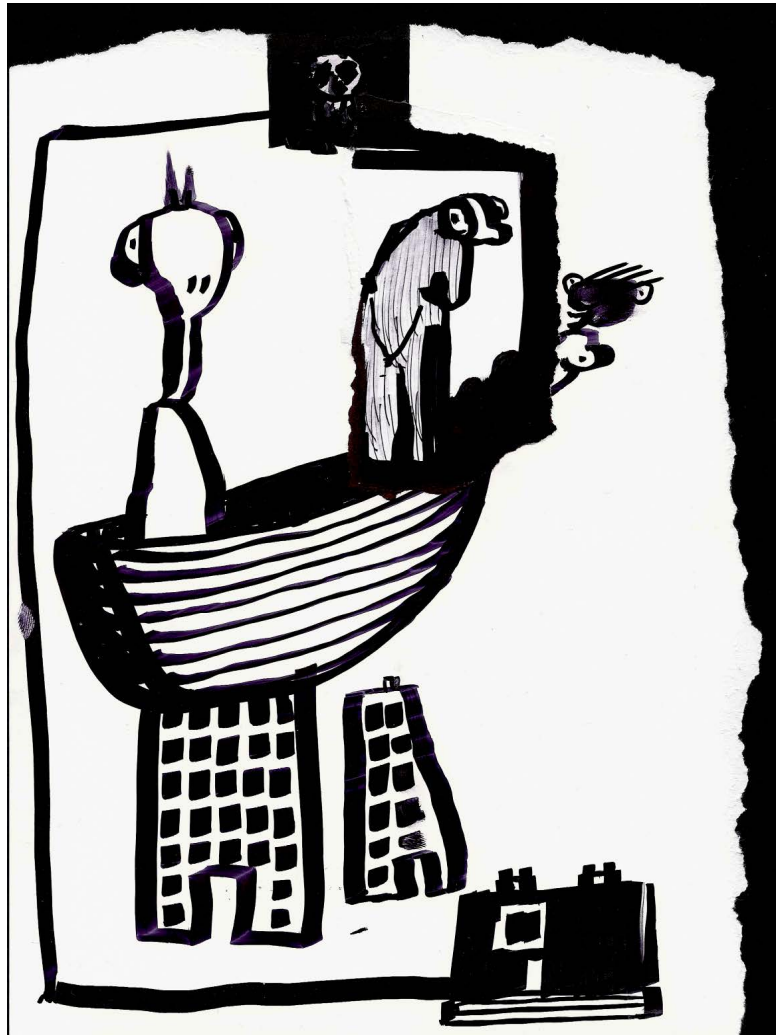


**BAD INJUN**

Paper cup, badminton shuttle & cell phone battery on scrap wood, 25 x 14.9

# MUSEUMINSEL

black marker on coated  
scrap paper, 25.9 x 19.4;  
15.9 x 11.3; 13.5 x 11.5





**LARRY THE LORRY GOES TO WAR - TANGERINE NIGHTMARE**

Scrap wood, scrap metal, scrap paper, tangerine, cd shard, 35 x 28.5



**A SIATIC MC WITH RED CAP ON RED BONE**

Scrap metal and spray paint on vinyl. 26.2 x 30.2



**TIERRA BRUTAL**

black pain marker and glass on charred wood, 25.7 x 9.9



**SKRIK ON A STICK**  
Flattened tin can on scrap wood, 34 x 22.7 x 2