Ocean Literacy through art: a partnership between art educators and marine scientists

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Marine Art

• during free-choice extramural art academy
• enhancing ocean knowledge, observation and curiosity by a creative process
• unique co-operation between 3 partners:

Creativity, Art
Academy for Visual Arts of Ghent

Marine science
Ghent University - Marine@UGent
24 research units

Co-ordination
Flanders Marine Institute
VLIZ

objectives
• make ocean sciences and marine knowledge approachable to people previously disconnected to it
• enhance new perspectives to look at the marine environment
• engage experimental learning through creative interaction with the scientific process and content
• by giving a personal meaning to scientific information art students become Ocean literate participants
• build bridges between marine researchers & art students, both need good observation, curiosity, creativity and intuition
• attract an even wider audience to marine research by means of the art exhibition

Knowledge transfer
Science based inspiration
Science & Art exposition

from scientist to art teacher
from art teacher & scientist to art student
from art student to larger public