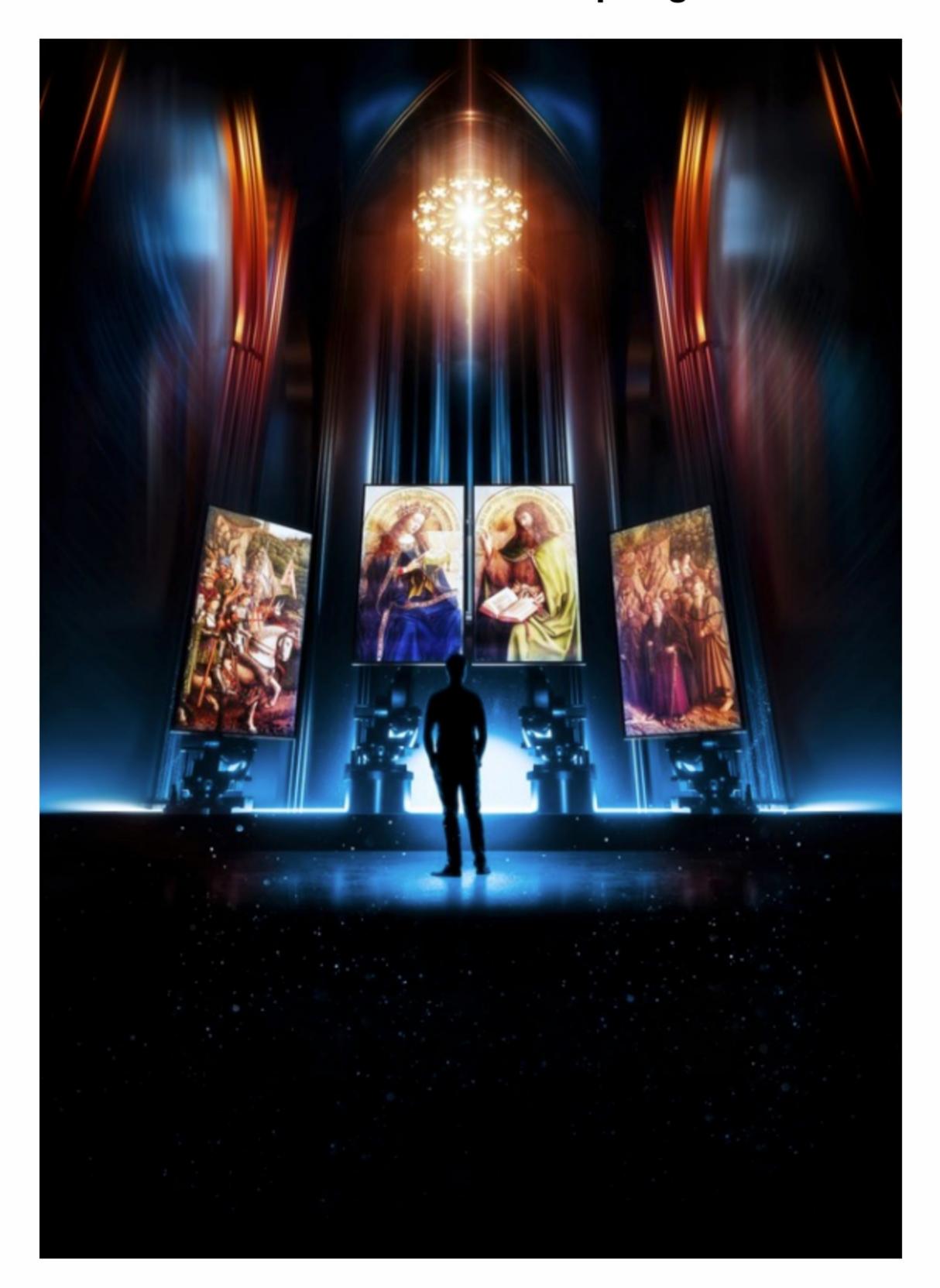


Multimedia spectacle *Lights on Van Eyck* puts Flemish Master in the spotlight



From 28 March 2020 to 1 November 2020, the art experience *Lights on Van Eyck* will run in the St. Nicholas Church in Ghent, in honour of the Flemish Master Jan Van Eyck. *Lights on Van Eyck* makes innovative use of projections, multimedia and music. The result? An experience not to be missed at an equally impressive location.

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During the year *OMG Van Eyck was here*, the City of Ghent will honour his greatest Flemish Master in 2020 in an appropriate manner. The brand new experience Lights on Van Eyck is a collaboration between **CREATE.eu**, **Mankind** and the **City of Ghent**. The unique concept came about in close consultation with **Van Eyck experts** such as **Prof. Dr. Jan Dumolyn**.

"Lights on Van Eyck is a very accessible way to discover Van Eyck's impressive oeuvre," says Dumolyn enthusiastically. "The essence of his technique is that he was able to render colour and light very clearly. An astonishing discovery for man who had never seen such a representation of the world in the 15th century. Through the technology used, Lights on Van Eyck accentuates this bright light and pure colours. The public will look at Van Eyck's work here with the same amazement as medieval man did for the first time centuries ago".

Get in a painting!

Lights on Van Eyck promises an unseen play of light, multimedia and music in which historical works of art are illuminated in a breathtaking way. For example, the British artist Mat Collishaw, commissioned by Mankind, created a digital interpretation of *The Adoration of the Mystic Lamb*, mounted on screens on moving robot arms. Furthermore, CREATE.eu uses video mapping to fill the entire church up to the ridge with colourful projections of Van Eyck's works. You're not looking at the paintings, you're standing in the middle of them! On a regular basis you will also be surprised by live performances by the Ghent Madrigal Choir.

"Mankind and CREATE.eu already did amazing work during the light festival," says *Deputy Mayor of Culture* and *Urban Development M. Sami Souguir* delighted. "This is without a doubt one of the highlights of the Van Eyck year in the historic city centre, which we, as the city council, would like to put our shoulders to."

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Tickets are available now via www.lightsonvaneyck.be.

Nice to know: the price of your ticket includes a contribution for the restoration of the historic organ of the St. Nicholas Church!

Especially for schools, secondary and primary school students at Arteveldehogeschool have put together a pedagogical folder about Van Eyck's oeuvre. Available free of charge from March 2020 via the website.

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About CREATE.eu

<u>CREATE.eu</u> is a multimedia company and production house that develops internationally surprising experiences with the latest technologies. The diverse team of creatives, storytellers, 3D artists, programmers and engineers combines all talents on a daily basis to bring unique projects to life. CREATE.eu recently installed the breathtaking art experience "Beyond Bruegel" in Brussels and with its fire-breathing dragon was a highlight at the last light festival in Ghent.

about MANKIND

MANKIND wants to inspire artists by offering them the best in audio-visual technology, with the addition of motion.

The result is a choreography of screen movements that tell a unique story.



Jan Van Eyck "Portrait of a man" 1433

about **Jan Van Eyck**

The Flemish painter Jan Van Eyck (1390-1441) stood head and shoulders above his contemporaries and unleashed a true **optical revolution**. With his unparalleled technique and power of observation he lifted oil painting to unprecedented heights and determined the further course of painting. His absolute masterpiece is 'The Adoration of the Mystic Lamb' (St Bavo's Cathedral, Ghent).

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https://lightsonvaneyck.be/
Open on mo, tue & thu 9:30-18:00; wed 14:0018:00; fri-sat-sun 9:30-20:30

Tickets

Available online at https://lightsonvaneyck.be/

- €11 (regular price)
- €6 (youth price)€30 (family ticket)
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