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Eelco Brand (NL) THE ACT OF BRINGING TO LIFE

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With „THE ACT OF BRINGING TO LIFE“, DAM GALLERY presents new animations and print works by the artist Eelco Brand (*1969).

The imitation of nature is a classical topos in art history. The fine arts have always sought to recreate and idealise nature. Eelco Brand ironically deploys these imitations and idealised recreations to generate absurd and surreal objects.

The artistic principle behind his 3D-works is the creeping mutation of an Arcadian natural state into a surreal iconic entity. The artist produces short animations with realistic, highly detailed depictions of natural scenery. In the course of the clip, run in time lapse, details undergo barely perceptible changes, transforming the familiar into the surreal. Brands' animated loops leave the viewer with a sense of unease: Nature defies human control, striking back within the image.

Picture credits:

BL.movi, 2012, digital animation

40"LED screen and 2x stainless steel object ø800mm / ø600mm

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