
Melodie

The site-specific artwork 'Melodie' by Martijn Sandberg, is an integral part of the masonry of the residential block Couperus, Ypenburg, Den Haag.

The stanza from the poem 'Melodie' (1886) by Louis Couperus (1863-1923) is incorporated into the vertical and horizontal brick pattern of the façade, in dark coloured bricks. The text in the unique brick letter typeface, designed by Martijn Sandberg, covers the entire circumference of the building in length.

From the brickwork a song resounds, written in the metre of the bricks: 'Luchtgewiekte melodie / Zweef klaatrend op! / Of juublend in een zilverlach, / Of smeltend... / Smeltende in een vliet / Van louter tranen...'.

Title: 'Melodie' ('Melody')

Artist: Martijn Sandberg

Location: Couperus, Ypenburg, Den Haag/ NL

Measurements: masonry brick letters 165m

Material: bricks

Concept and design: 2011

Built: 2011-2013

Completion: 2013

Commissioned by: Ceres Projecten

Architect: Frits van Dongen, De Architekten Cie.