

HUNGRY EYE GALLERY



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2024 90 x 60 cm Archival Pigment Print Edition 8 + 2AP

Photographer Julia Dongstra invites the viewer into an intimate visual world shaped by emotion, memory, and the raw beauty of nature. Her work balances vulnerability and strength, using the nude female form as both subject and symbol-sometimes merging with the surrounding landscape, at other times standing apart from it in quiet defiance.

In this photograph, Dongstra works with the harsh brilliance of natural sunlight, allowing sharp shadows to carve the composition. Light and darkness become equal partners: illumination reveals texture and detail, while shadow preserves mystery. The result is an image that feels both immediate and timeless-restrained in palette yet rich in emotional depth.

Dongstra's deliberate approach, from exposure to print, ensures that each work retains the tactile quality of the landscape itself. Her photographs do not seek resolution; instead, they invite reflection. Through light, form, and stillness, she captures the fragile tension between body and earth, intimacy and distance.