

## Assessment statement Paul Schuitema Stipendium (Scholarship) 2023

The *Paul Schuitema Stipendium (scholarship)* is not just about rewarding an outstanding production. In spirit, vision, and method, the awarded body of work must relate to that of Paul Schuitema - photographer, typographer, furniture designer, painter, interior architect, and respected teacher at our Royal Academy of Art. So, it must meet criteria regarding social relevance, the design process and research, organizing capabilities, authenticity, and progressive thinking. Added to these criteria is the presence of a clearly apparent, proposed open-endedness in the awarded work and/or presentation that can be further facilitated through the award. These criteria and the expertise of the committee resulted in a coherent selection.

The committee has decided to grant the *Paul Schuitema Stipendium 2023* (€ 3000,-) to Manon Carpentier for *Fenetre Sur... Textures in Architecture*

*Fenetre Sur... Textures in Architecture* is a promising, applied, and accessible proposition of social and environmental relevance – developing an architectural material from residue wood and experimenting with texture and expression. Furthermore, Manon's project evidences a driven and precise process that involved developing recipes and tools. In recognition of the achievements, the Schuitema comity invites Manon to use the stipendium to develop the qualities of the material itself as a building material. Thus, further uncovering its tectonic potential, with a strong emphasis on developing aesthetics, exploring interactive applications, and establishing a supportive network. Manon is expected to provide a progress report within one year.

Congratulations!

### *The Committee*

Gert Dumbar (Honorary member – in absence)

Derk Dumbar (Graphic Designer)

Bob Bonies (on behalf of the Schuitema Family)

Brecht Hoffmann (Graphic Design)

Jonathan Hielkema (Photography)

Zsofia Kollar (Interior Architecture & Furniture Design)

Ernie Mellegers (Interior Architecture & Furniture Design)