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## STUDIO INSIGHTS

# The Making of Saint Sebastian: Vulnerability Bound in Nature

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## SUMMARY

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## ART OPENS PEOPLES EYES AND MINDS.

Art should have an impact

### The Quiet Strength of Vulnerability

The autonomous creation of Arjan Spannenburg (born Texel, 1978) resonates internationally with curators and private collectors alike. Central to his photography is the search for identity and self-expression. Through powerful, predominantly monochrome compositions, Spannenburg portrays youth standing on the threshold of adulthood.

We observe adolescents navigating a transient, uncertain phase of life. These sensitive portraits capture subjects in solitary contemplation, yet they simultaneously radiate a profound need for connection with the external world, a quest for support, understanding, and affection.

**Gallery Representation & Exhibitions** In addition to permanent representation by ZERP Galerie (Rotterdam), Spannenburg's photography has been selected for prestigious international platforms and events, including:

- PAN Amsterdam
- Kunstlinie, Almere
- Schwules Museum, Berlin
- Paratissima, Italy
- Tongerlohuys, Roosendaal

His creations are held in diverse private collections and are often seen in prominent public locations, including the City Hall of The Hague.

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