



## Conversation Piece Collection Mu.ZEE Ostend. Acquisitions 2007-2012

Conversation Piece is the second publication on the collection policy of Mu.ZEE, released upon the initiative of Contemporary Art Heritage Flanders (CAHF). It presents an overview of the acquisitions made by Mu.ZEE during the period 2007 to 2012. It examines how the approach to collection building relates to the temporary exhibitions. The publication further explores why the collection policy is, and continues to be, the benchmark in considerations about the museum. Mu.ZEE starts from a dialogue with the artist. "Curating the collection" is a term that identifies the various existing connections between the public collection, the artist and the audience. We need to look at the collection and its history from different points of view, so as to rethink and reposition the collection, time and again. Conversation Piece contains a comprehensive index, an interview with Phillip Van den Bossche on the purchasing policy of the past six years, and focuses on a number of specific acquisitions. This publication was made possible thanks to the generous cooperation of Sven Augustijnen, Anne Daems, Koenraad Dedobbeleer, Pieterjan Ginckels, Ann Veronica Janssens, Valérie Mannaerts and Ana Torfs. The museum collects their gifts to the community.

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