

## Van de Kerckhove, Omer

b. Ghent, Belgium  
Residence: Belgium

### Education:

Graphic art and photography, Stedelijk Technisch Instituut 1 of Ghent, 1975–1977

### Career:

Botanic artist/illustrator, National Botanic Garden of Belgium, 1989– (including over 400 watercolor illustrations of fungi)

### Media:

Watercolor, pen-and-ink

### Group Exhibition(s):

Exposition of mushrooms, University of Ghent, annually, 1980–; Park of Beisbroeck, Bruges, biennially, 1990–; National Botanic Garden of Belgium, Meise, 1991–  
Exhibitions in Belgium: Cultural Centre, Anderlecht, 1986; Casino, Spa, 1987; Eeklo, 1995; Adegem, 1998; Kapelle-op-den-Bos, 1998; Londerzeel, 1998; also in Knesselare, Ursel, Hansbeke, Eeklo, Lotenhulle, Zomergem, Drongen, Jette  
Exhibitions in the Netherlands: Art Expo, Utrecht, 1992; *Wild in de Natuur* (Autumn expo), Enschede, 1993; Art Expo, Utrecht, 1994; Greenwich Village, Zuid-Wolde, several years

### One-Person Exhibition(s):

Open House, Merchtem, 1993

### Collections:

Numerous private collections

### Work Reproduced In:

Black & white illustrations of mosses for several magazine articles.

Curtis's Bot. Mag. 1998.

Greeting cards for De Wielewaal, Turnhout, 1981.

Fungi illustrations for Laboratory of Plant Sciences, Department of Morphology, Systematics and Ecology. University of Ghent

Het Meetjesland natuurlijk. 1995. N.L.M. & “de Eeclonaar”, Eeklo.

Mens en vogel (Man and Bird), magazine of the C.C.B.V., 1985–1988.

Libelle, n° 39-50. 1988. Debetoverende pracht van paddestoelen (The enchanting splendour of fungi).

Libelle, n° 16. 1989. Meikevers zijn verleden tijd, maar er is nog leven in de haag (Maybugs are history, but there is still life in the hedge).

Kawa: Les secrets du Café: Du café à la tasse (Kawa: The secrets of coffee, from the shrub to the cup). 1995.

Mousses Bonkei Bonsei (catalogue of the Europalia Exposition Japan in Belgium). 1989.  
National Botanic Garden of Belgium.  
Mushroom poster. 1994.  
National Botanic Garden publications.  
Sotiaux, A., O. Sotiaux, et al. 1997. *Pseudoleskeella nervosa* (Leskeaceae, Musci)  
réellement présent en Belgique. *Dumortiera* 68.

Bibliography:

Eerst wetenschap, dan pas kunst (Animal illustrators: First science, than only art). 29  
April 1988. *De Morgen*.  
Ring-TV (regional broadcasting station). 1998.  
School-TV. RTBF (national broadcasting station). 1990.  
Saintenoy, S. October 1998. Rencontre avec un artiste (Meeting with an artist): Omer  
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*Boletus impolitus* 1998  
Watercolor 34 × 28 cm  
Hunt Institute collection