Joke Vannieuwenburg grew up in a family where vacations were spent in the great outdoors, sleeping in tents, hiking, kayaking, and living very close to nature.

As an adult, her corporate job allowed her to live in countries as different as Turkey, Sweden, Curação and the UK.

She also backpacked extensively through South East Asia, Argentina, Australia and New Zealand, always curious to discover new horizons and different ways of living.

This intense curiosity, mixed with a childlike playfulness, translates to her paintings. Her work shows a strong use of color, an experimental approach to materials and a constant desire to grow and learn.

The themes in her work derive from her deeply rooted love for the natural world.

By showing its beauty in her art, the painter wants to encourage us to fall in love with our planet all over again, and to care for it with renewed passion.