

# DENK

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Arne Quinze: JUNGLE CITIES

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Please join DENK for our inaugural exhibition *Jungle Cities*, by Belgian artist Arne Quinze.

"In this day and age we can see clearly, for the first time, the impact mankind has had on the natural world, and the terrible environmental consequences which have followed. I was shocked to learn that since I was born in 1971, we, as humans, have managed to destroy one-third of the flora and fauna existing at that time.

As an artist I consider it my duty to use my public art to call for a better balance between culture and nature. I am trying to encourage a conversation that will change the way we think and ask questions. By doing so, I want to raise the awareness of the viewing public, resulting in a more careful and considered approach to our urban planning context." -Arne Quinze

Arne Quinze was born in 1971 in Belgium and lives and works in Sint-Martens-Latem, Belgium and Shanghai, China. Quinze creates large and small sculptures, drawings, paintings, and large-scale installations. Smaller works, sketches, and drawings are the basis and research for his large installations. Recurring fundamentals in his oeuvre are the use of wood and metal; electrical colors in fluorescent paint; and themes referring to social interaction, communication, and urbanism.

Founded in 2017 in Downtown Los Angeles Art District, DENK's mission is to present a diverse program featuring a range of local and international contemporary artists working across mediums. Our goal is to curate exhibitions that allow artists the opportunity to bring their concepts and visions to reality. DENK looks to engage the community through multiple platforms—with gallery publications and performances, as well as regular artists and curator talks held in the space.

JUNGLE CITIES will be on view at DENK Gallery, 749 E. Temple St, Los Angeles, CA 90012 from January 26—April 30, with an opening on January 25th, 6—9PM. Please contact Carl Berg at the gallery at [carl@denkgallery.com](mailto:carl@denkgallery.com) for further information.