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## FILMOGRAPHY

- 2024 ["A Tale of Catching Stars"](#) for LOEWE, a paper animation for Chinese valentines day, BlinkInk
- 2023 Commercial for LEGO "Unstoppable" Animation combined with live-action, BlinkInk
- 2023 Wander to Wonder, A short film, Circe Films.
- 2022 Whiskas commercial "Purrr more", involved as creative director, BlinkInk
- 2021 Whiskas commercial, "Purr More", BlinkInk
- 2020 "Kamp Koekieloekie" (dir Joost van Hezik) Title sequence for kids TV series, ZAPP
- 2019 "An Otters Tale" for LOEWE a Christmas fashion commercial, BlinkInk.
- 2019 Title sequence for "De stad was van ons" voor Netty van Hoorn.
- 2019 "Nightingale Wood" Pilot for ITV series, Blink Industries.
- 2019 "Hoofdzaken" Title sequence for Dutch TV series (dir Menno Otten), Kepler Film and VPRO.
- 2019 "De regels van Floor 2" Title Sequence for Dutch TV series (dir Maurice Trouwborst) NL Film and TV and VPRO.
- 2018 "Fool" Short Film, BlinkInk Industries.
- 2018 "De regels van Floor 1" Title sequence for Dutch Television series (dir Maurice Trouwborst) NL Film and TV and VPRO.
- 2017 "Tulipop" Pilot for Childrens animated TV series (as Cartwright Gantz), Blink Industries.
- 2017 "Etgar Keret. Based on a True Story" Animations for Feature documentary " (director) Stephane Kaas, Baldr Films.
- 2017 "Gumball" Cartoon Network Idents , Blink Industries.
- 2016 "De Pedaalridder" Animations for Feature Documentary (dir Ari Deelder), Studio Rev and TV Rijnmond.
- 2016 "Man Of Letters" (as Cartwright Gantz) A short film for Al Jazeera. About cultural theorist, Roland Barthes.
- 2016 "Barney's Bears" (as Cartwright Gantz)\_TV commercial for the kid's biscuits, BlinkInk.
- 2016 "Tribe" (as Cartwright Gantz) TV commercial for Maynards Bassets, BlinkInk.
- 2015 "EDMOND" - National Film and Television School (UK).
- 2014 "Employee of the month" National Film and Television School.
- 2012 "Devastated by love" Head of animations for feature film (dir Ari Deelder), Studio Rev.
- 2011 "Wallpaper Visionaries" Opening titles feature documentary by Victor Vroegindewej, Wallpaper Magazine
- 2011 "The Eye Hospital Rotterdam" Animated Titels, poster and dvd cover for (dir Netty Van Hoorn), TV Rijnmond.
- 2010 "Zaliger" St Joost Academy, graduation film, AKV StJoost
- 2009 "Buren" Short film for online magazine.
- 2009 "Steunen" - Cut-out and 2d animation, AKV StJoost.
- 2008 "Gluren" - Live-action film - exhibition in public space, AKV St Joost

## WANDER TO WONDER AWARDS

1. **SXSW Grand Jury Award**
2. **Netherlands Film Festival - The Golden Calf for Best Short film at the**
3. SEMINCI Valladolid SFF - Golden Spike
4. **Anima Brussels SFF - Grand Prix and Press Award**
5. **Tampere SFF - Grand Prix**
6. Glasgow SFF - International Audience Award
7. Fantaspoa - Melhor Curta Internacional de Animação
8. Haapsalu Horror & Fantasy Film Festival (HÖFF) - Méliès d'Argent
9. **Cardiff Animation Festival - Best Short Film Award**
10. BAFICI Gran Premio
11. **Sunderland Shorts Film Festival - Best Animation Award**
12. **Palm Springs International ShortFest - Best Midnight Short**
13. **Palm Springs International ShortFest - Special Mention for Best Animated Short**
14. Make Believe Seattle - Best Short
15. National Animation Film Festival France -Special Mention Jury
16. **Chilemonos - Best international short film**
17. Film Maudit - special mention
18. Animator - Międzynarodowy Festiwal Filmów Animowanych
19. Fantosfreak - special mention
20. **Hollyshorts Festival - Best Animation Award**
21. **Dutch Directors Guild Animation Award**
22. Ravenheart Best Short
23. Ravenheart Best Director
24. Cordillera International Film Festival - Best Thrills & Chills Short Film Award
25. **Hiroshima Contemporary Tale Award**
26. Nashville Film festival Best Animated short
27. Curta Kino Forum Sao Paulo - KAISER Trophy
28. Valencia Weird Market Best international short film audience award
29. Philadelphia Film Festival - Honourable Mention
30. **Animation is Film Festival - Grand Jury Award**
31. Animatou - Grand prix de la Ville de Genève
32. **Chicago International Film Festival - Silver Hugo**
33. San Sebastian Horror and Fantasy Film Festival - Audience award
34. San Sebastian Horror and Fantasy Film Festival -Youth jury award
35. **San Sebastian Horror and Fantasy Film Festival - Grand jury award**
36. Fredrikstad Animation Festival - Best Global Short Film
37. **BIAF - Jury Prize Short Film**
38. Galician Freaky Film Festival - Neuronas Fritidas awards
39. Edinburgh short film festival, best animation
40. TerrorMolins best short film
41. Piccolo Festival Animazione - special mention
42. Pittsburgh Short fest - Jury award
43. **BIFA best short film 2024**

## NOMINATIONS

**European film awards** nomination best short 2024

**BIFA awards** Nomination for best short 2024

## EDMOND AWARDS

1. **BAFTA for Best Animated Short**
2. **Jury award best animated short at SUNDANCE**
3. **Best Short at Moet BIFA's**
4. Best student short Monstra
5. NEOTEL AWARD Tricky women
6. First prize open competition at Shortwaves, Poland
7. **Grand Prix student competition at Holland Animation Film Festival**
8. Best animation at The Alhambra Theatre Film Festival
9. Best animation at watersprite 2015
10. Best Original Music at Waterprite 2015
11. Best Cinematography at waterprite 2015
12. Best BritishShort in Berlin
13. **Grand Jury Prize European Student Films, Plans D'Angers**
14. Best Student Short at Cinanima
15. Audience Award at the Beijing ISFVF
16. Best Animated short at the Bilbao Zinebi film festival
17. Best Graduation Film at the Manchester Animation Film
18. **PRIMANIMA 2015 GRAND PRIX**
19. PRIMANIMA PrimaSound Award for Best Sound Design
20. PRIMANIMA Student Jury's Award
21. Grand Prix at Stoptrik International Film Festival
22. **Best of British at Encounters**
23. **Best Short Animation award at the Guanajuato International Film Festival**
24. **ANNECY: Canal + Creative Aid Award for short film**
25. **ANNECY: Best Graduation Film Jury Award**
26. Best Animation at Zlinfest
27. Best Film at Zlinfest
28. Chilemonos, Best Short Film
29. Grandprix at Insomnia 2016
30. Jury award Breakthroughs Film Festival 2016
31. Best Short at Festival Internacional de Cine de Valencia, Cinema Jove
32. Best Animated Short at Snake Alley Festival of Film
33. Best Short at Open Air Cinema Rotterdam (Pleinbiscoop)
34. Best Short animation at RiverRun 2016
35. Jury Special Mention, Imaginaria Film Festival 2016
36. **KROK, grand prix 2016**
37. KYOTO GRAND PRIX 2016
38. Lawrence Kasdan Award for Best Narrative Film
39. Cilect Award, first prize animation for best student film.

## SPECIAL MENTIONS

**Variety** Top 10 Animators to watch 2016 ([variety.com/10-animators-to-watch-2016/nina-gantz/](http://variety.com/10-animators-to-watch-2016/nina-gantz/))

**Forbes** 30 Under 30 Europe List 2017 (<http://www.forbes.com/profile/nina-gantz/>)

**European Film Academy** nomination 'Best Short' 2016

## EDUCATION

2013 to 2015

National Film and Television School. MA Directing Animation.

2006 to 2010:

Art Academy AKV/St. Joost Breda, Honours degree, Animation.

## OTHER WORKING EXPERIENCE

2024 Guest teacher at Central Saint Martins.

2024 Artist talk at "In Motion" Playgrounds Festival at the Barbican, London

2019 Masterclass at Manchester "Meet the Puppet Maker"

2017 Guest teacher at Central Saint Martins.

2017 Masterclass at Brighton Film School

2017 Artist talk for Playgrounds festival in the Netherlands (as Cartwright Gantz).

2016 Signed to London production company *BlinkInk*, with creative partner Simon Cartwright as Cartwright Gantz.

Illustrations for 9 Billboards commissioned by IABR

2010 Internship with an independant Illustrator / animator Yvonne Kroese.

- 2d animation for "The city of Amsterdam"

- 2d animation for "the Dutch goverment"

2006 – 2012

Assistant illustrator in service of "Borre Leesclub"

working on the children's book series "Borre"

[www.borre.nl](http://www.borre.nl)

2006 Guest part in the crime serie "Baantjer" by Endemol productions.

Character: Zwaantje de Vos.

2002 performed in a production of "RoTheater".

Showed at "Lowlands and Nighttown"

## COMPUTER SKILLS

Image and animation programmes like After Effects, TVpaint (2d animation program), Premiere Pro, Photoshop, Illustrator, Flash, In Design and Encore

## RECOMMENDATION CONTACTS

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