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IN WAT VOOR LAND LEEF IK EIGENLIJK? ANIL RAMDAS

Exhibition: 28.02.2025 — 01.08.2025, Opening: 28.02.2025, 20:00 hrs.

Location: West Den Haag in the former American Embassy, Lange Voorhout 102, The Hague

'In wat voor land leef ik eigenlijk' (In What Kind of Country Do I Live?) is a biographical exhibition dedicated to Anil Ramdas (1958–2012). The exhibition explores the life and work of this writer, journalist, and intellectual. As a prominent voice in debates on identity, diversity, and post-colonialism in the Netherlands, Ramdas's legacy remains as relevant and urgent as ever.

The exhibition features a graphic timeline of Ramdas' life, enriched with TV and video recordings, newspaper clippings, books, and personal objects. This unique presentation provides an intimate look into his personal and professional journey. Alongside the visual display, we are hosting activities and discussion evenings. These events will delve into topics such as identity, friendship, the responsibility of intellectuals in public debate, and the importance of cultural diversity in a changing society.

Karin Amatmoekrim (Paramaribo, December 25, 1976) is a Surinamese-Dutch author. In 2023, she earned her PhD at Leiden University with a dissertation on the life of Anil Ramdas. Her book, 'In wat voor een land leef ik eigenlijk? Anil Ramdas, onmogelijk kosmopoliet' (In What Kind of Country Do I Live? Anil Ramdas, Impossible Cosmopolitan), published by Uitgeverij Prometheus, won the 2024 Dutch Biography Prize. Amatmoekrim is currently working on a new book 'Suriname. Een geschiedenis' (Suriname: A History) for De Bezige Bij.

Karin Amatmoekrim is the guest curator for this exhibition.

More information will follow soon.

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