

RE-flower 10 (bouquet)

*"Tulipan, columbine, french anemone, common hyacinth, roses and marigold.
A little bouquet in an open window. The impossible represented in a unity of time. "*

This quotation is taken from my book, *The Grand Tour*¹, presenting my sampled photos of masterpieces from Europe's art collections and museums.

The quote is originally from another book, I do not remember the title, and describes a floral painting by Ambrocius Bosschaert the Elder (1573 - 1621) "Little bouquet in an arched window"

In Bosschaerts painting something is hidden beneath the surface of obvious beauty: Flowers from all parts of the Dutch colonial rule are brought in, placed in a vase and set to flourish simultaneously. The beautiful flowers as an image of power and wealth.

Now again I refer to the painting. The current series, RE-flower 10, is all bouquets. Beautiful and - as in Bosshaert's painting - with an ambition of "something more".

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The current bouquets partly consist of unspecified plants from "the open land", and partly of cut flowers from Meny, a nearby convenience store. In contrast to the above quote I have not looked up the names of the respective plants and flowers, but for those of you who do not know the grocery chain Meny, I can say that it was previously called Favorit and later on SuperBest. Perhaps someone can remember how the grocery chain in the years 2009-14 was repeatedly exposed in the media in an unflattering light. Something to do with poor hygiene and repackaging of old meat.

¹ *The Grand Tour*, Husets Forlag, Århus, 1994, ISBN 87-7483-321-9