

CEDRIC ETIENNE

curator of stillness

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objects _ architecture _ experiences

With STILL room, Cédric Etienne curates a signature project that expresses the design philosophy of its team, Studio Corkinho.

Out of the need to unplug from an overstimulated society, Cédric Etienne proposes a new language to stand still with silence and bring us again closer to our true nature. Fascinated by the hidden power of isolation, Cédric Etienne wants to understand how to curate stillness and bring a higher meaning back into spaces.

Out of this philosophy, he developed the STILL room concept. Located at Noorderpershuis, a classified heritage building near the harbour of Antwerp, the STILL room is a place of rebirth, a repurposed space that was transformed into an architecture of silence.

Not only does the STILL room hold a selection of Studio Corkinho's designs, it highlights their shared level of meaning. Like craftsmanship results in timeless objects, the room makes time erode into a calming void, a silent atmosphere to ritualize in the now-here. The "object space" becomes a sanctuary of stillness.

The STILL room reflects on the architecture of silence: what is it that brings architecture, and hereby us, in a serene state? The room devotes itself to the understanding of the dynamics of silence and how to reconnect with inner balance. As such, it works as a contemporary monastic cell where one can contemplate in a distraction-free atmosphere.

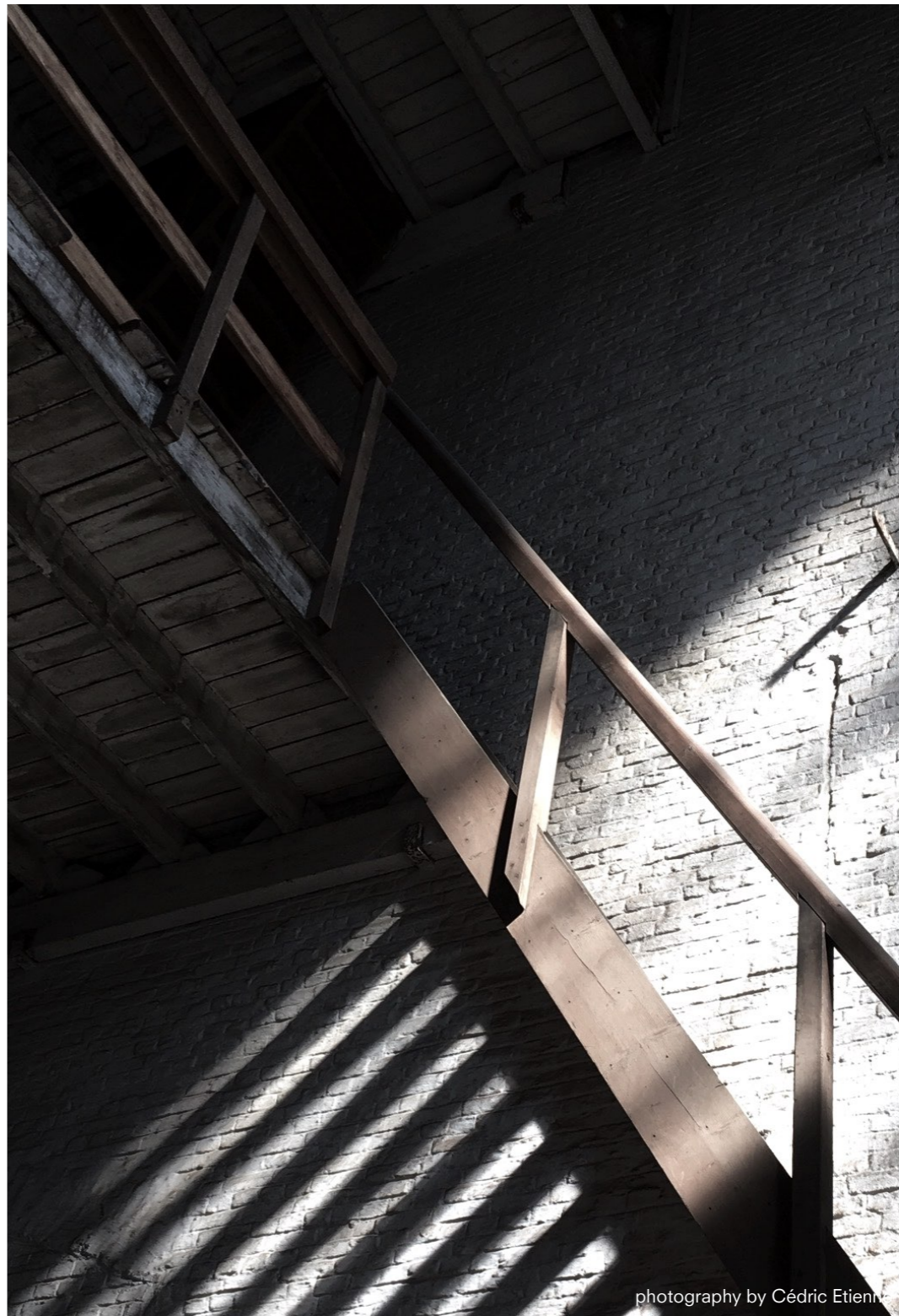
With the STILL room, Cédric Etienne marks the beginning of a path of stillness through reclaimed urban buildings and in nature.

As a concept, STILL travels to your home, in the form of one-off installations or as part of hospitality, branding, office or wellness purposes.



STILL

elevating stillness in contemplative atmospheres



Standing STILL on the purpose of a place dedicated to contemplation in a distraction-free atmosphere.

Our design philosophy for STILL is to design spaces that connect people to a higher purpose, especially in an era when time, distance and our attention spans are increasingly compressed, the room's atmosphere brings us back to our human condition.

It embodies an inner journey to find deep rest, recharge, and self connection in hospitality, office, branding, wellness or in residential environments.

Whether used as a study room, a contemplative space or as a place to enjoy a moment without input, the STILL room ennobles the "shelter of the mind" for the modern human to anchor his attention in the present time and space.



Re-purposing true nature in every detail through the art of time.



The STILL room offers a pause, a moment of silence for the overstimulated mind.

To re-orientate the flow of their energy inwards and activate their full potential.

STILL is a tool to engage connection with the now-here dimension,
and benefit full awareness of the present environment.

It intensifies the purity of the experience of the presence.



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In an age of speed, nothing can be more invigorating than going slow.

In an age of distraction, nothing can feel more luxurious than paying attention.

In an age of constant movement, nothing is more urgent than standing still.





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The poetry of journaling.





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Benefits of stillness :

- _rest
- _connection in the present moment
- _purify the mind
- _balance
- _maximum awareness
- _find higher purpose



STILL room 01 : Harbour of Antwerp.



To the still mind, the whole universe surrenders. (Lao Tzu).



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