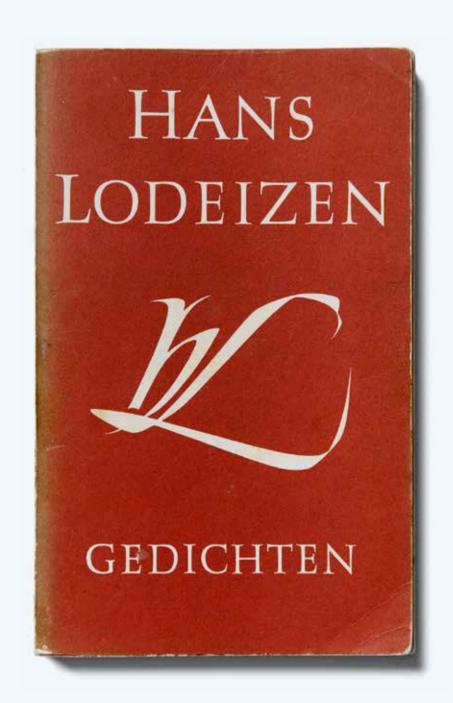
Hans Lodeizen

A pioneering gay exponent of postwar experimentalism



Hans Lodeizen (1924-1950) is a peerless figure on the Dutch literary scene. He spent the tiny sliver of an adult life that he got to have in the English-speaking world, working in isolation from his Dutch contemporaries – most of whom he never even met – but he was a significant influence on his own and successive generations of poets.



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'Lodeizen was a remarkable poet – not just an inspiration to those who came after him, but virtually the only one of his kind.'

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Neeltje Maria Min

The small but incomparable oeuvre of a sixties poetic icon



In 1966, Neeltje Maria Min made a spectacular debut with *Voor wie ik liefheb wil ik heten* (Name me after who I Love). At the time, poetry in the Netherlands was largely a man's world – and most poets wrote in an experimental style. Min, however, wrote in an understated way, using rhyme, and her theme was family life.



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Hans Faverey

Transparent and complicated, unpredictable and witty



Hans Faverey (1933-1990) was born in Paramaribo, Surinam, but grew up in Amsterdam. With his pure use of words and meticulous verse, philosophical yet not without humour, he became one of the leading poets who made their debut in the 1960s. He received many literary awards.



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'Hans Faverey was the purest poetic intelligence of his generation, the author of poems of lapidary beauty that echo in the mind long after the book is closed.'

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Kees Ouwens

Exceptional, uncompromising, lyrical: a solipsistic universe of wonder



Kees Ouwens (1944-2004) is one of the most important and distinctive Dutch poets from the second half of the 20th century. No biography of him exists, and we don't know much about his life. When he died in 2004, he left a unique body of work behind.



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'It is his uncompromising authenticity which makes him an odd man out on the Dutch literary scene, but one who has fascinated poetry lovers for decades already.'

Rob Schouten

H.H. ter Balkt

A stern powerful voice whose incantatory poetry is drenched in history



H.H. ter Balkt (1938-2015) made his debut as a poet with work that was rooted in the rural life of the eastern Netherlands. The landscape proved to be a constant factor in his substantial oeuvre, just like art and history.



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'He writes a sort of poetry that can't be compared to anyone's, either in the Netherlands, or internationally, as far as I can see.'

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