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Dynamic Drawings

How might technology and mechanical modeling enhance our understanding of historical models? Brill’s Dynamic Drawings project has been exploring just that.

Brill partnered with the HuygensING institute of the Royal Dutch Academy of Sciences (KNAW) to develop a variety of interactive 2D/3D digital enrichments, to supplement Brill book publications. These visualizations or dynamic drawings add to the understanding of illustrations and descriptions of scientific and technological instruments or processes as taken from historical sources.

For example, in the case of Ramelli’s ingenious 1588 windmill (see illustrations), the original drawing looks like a realistic representation, but while creating the 3D visualization we concluded this wasn’t entirely the case. It was, therefore, decided to adjust this and other flaws from the original source in the dynamic version. Developing a dynamic drawing is a suitable means of reviewing historic models and the digital enrichment is a welcome addition to a scholarly publication: it can be critical, falsifiable and therefore a product of original scholarship. Freely accessible and discoverable online alongside the related journal article or book publication, the visualizations draw extra interest and thus usage of the work.

For more information about the project and how you can work with Brill to enrich your publication, contact Michiel Thijssen at thijssen@brill.com.

Brill Acquires Prestigious Netherlands Yearbook for History of Art

Earlier this year, Brill has acquired the prestigious annual, Netherlands Yearbook for History of Art, and the accompanying book series, Studies in Netherlandish Art and Cultural History, in a deal with WBooks and the Foundation for Dutch Art Historical Publications.

The acquisition of NKJ (brill.com/nkj) fits well with Brill’s growing list in Art History, and is particularly complementary to Brill’s Oud Holland, Quarterly for Dutch Art History.

In addition to the current print edition, a digital version of NKJ will be available for subscription as of January 2014. All previous 61 volumes (dating back to 1947) will be digitized and made available to subscribers. New volumes within the accompanying book series will also be published in print and in digital format. In December of this year the first volume in the series will be published with Brill: Meaning in Materials: Netherlandish Art, 1400-1800: NKJ 62 (2012), Edited by Ann-Sophie Lehmann, Frits Scholten, Perry Chapman, ISBN 978 90 04 26139 6

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We have sought to improve the reading experience while doing justice to the scholarly and scientific nature of our publications. The new Brill page layout is uncluttered, while better defining structural elements. This also makes for a tighter integration of print and e-products. The Brill Typographic Style will be implemented for our books and journals this fall.

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