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ABSTRACT

During this presentation, you will be introduced to the artistic research Ph.D. project Labyrinth Psychotica. THE WEARABLE will take a volunteer on a journey of 'do-it-yourself' psychosis. What is it like to hear voices? What is it like to see things that others do not see? What is it like to lose contact with 'reality'? THE WEARABLE simulates an array of subjective experiences of psychosis. The Live Demo provides a rare opportunity to see a volunteer experience THE WEARABLE and learn what it might feel like to be challenged by your senses and straddle several universes at the same time. Showing 'symptoms' such as apathy, cognition loss, loss of concentration, altered mobility as normal reactions that happen within minutes to anyone experiencing an altered state of the senses. The artist will take you on a journey of how the project began, and how it grew into the social creative entrepreneurship that it is today.



BIO

Jennifer Canary Nikolov(a) is a Canadian born mind-warrior based in The Netherlands. She is the founder of Roomforthoughts, an artistic research practice that uses multi-media to address mental health issues. She was an artistic researcher-in-residence at the National Psychiatry Museum in Haarlem (5 months), and Waag Society Institute for Art, Science, and Technology, Amsterdam (2 years). She was a tutor of the Honours Programme ART and RESEARCH of the University of Amsterdam and the Gerrit Rietveld Academie (3,5 years). Jennifer is most known for Ph.D. project Labyrinth Psychotica. Labyrinth Psychotica is a wearable interactive mixed reality psychosis simulation tool that simulates approximately 33 elements of the subjective experiences of psychosis, helping to better understand what a person experiences in psychosis and how it affects functional abilities, cognition, and social interactions. Labyrinth Psychotica has trained over 16.000 professionals in 20 countries, helping teams to build on their empathy skills in a way that helps to better understand, reduce and de-escalate stressful situations.

Introduction video: [Labyrinth Psychotica THE WEARABLE \(short trailer\)](#)



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