



Stijn's Russian dolls: place your bids!

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Carla van de Puttelaar. Prolific Dutch artist's first ever Belgian exhibition, a collection dubbed *Diaphanes*. Van de Puttelaar is a feminist photographer whose portrait work is deceptively simple: studio-shot, plain black or white backgrounds. But her inspiration from stone statues such as Venus create the ethereal effect of women coming to life – a hint of pink in the cheek, a brush of pubic hair not seen in earlier statuesque works ironically representing erotic love and beauty. De Puttelaar's images are intimate and distant all at once – her women are at some place in-between dead and living, suggesting they're almost, but not quite, fully realised. *Box Galerie, 88 Rue du Mail, until January 7, Wednesday to Saturday, 14.00-18.00. Tel 02.537.95.55.*



Carla van de Puttelaar: *Untitled*