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Mo Fontaine: Picture "Suriname II" (2022)

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This toucan from the "Suriname" series could have sprung from the cabinet of curiosities of a baroque princely residence. The illustrations and taxidermy of such early collections have a magical and mysterious effect on today's viewers. The first explorers and naturalists tried hard to "capture" these exotic creatures on the other side of the world and to document them scientifically. For the artist, it is precisely this stylization, which is far removed from reality by today's standards, that holds great appeal: for these early historical depictions of animals also convey the naturalists' immense fascination with "their" exotics. The photorealism of our days, on the other hand, tends to contribute to a disenchantment of a world that is no longer so distant - a world without geographical boundaries and perhaps even a world without miracles. In this motif, she has tried to approach the magic of these early illustrations by means of assemblage. In doing so, she also uses stylistic principles of icon art.

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