

The BIG PICTURE

NG KiDS' image of the month

X-quisite Art



Dutch physicist **Arie van 't Riet** makes X-tra special art in his spare time – he uses an **X-ray machine** to see *beneath* the skin of animals in their natural environment. His images show the **internal structure** of the **creatures** AND the flowers and plants where they live. He then adds colour to the pictures using his computer. Cool!

But, since X-rays may be harmful to animals, Arie *doesn't* use living creatures in his work. "I found this bumblebee in my garden," he explains. "It was dead, but with no signs of damage."

Arie then looks for plants and flowers from the animal's habitat to create a natural scene. We think this picture is bee-yond brilliant!

