

Welcome to the project room HJÄRNE

**Alba S Enström**  
*Spirits of Life*

**Friday, January 11, 2019, at. 17-19**

**Address: Fågelsångsgatan 10, Helsingborg**

Project room HJÄRNE strongly starts this year by inviting curator Martin Schibli who has chosen to make an exhibition with Alba S Enström (b. 1960). The artist grew up in Ystad and was educated at the art academy in Copenhagen where he has lived since his studies. Enström's works are a painting with character and a significant energy. A parallel direct and complex painting that mixes references between underground culture, punk, bondage, birds, airplanes... He may take a more continental perspective on art with references to painters with a strong attitude like Marlene Dumas, Ellen Cantor or Elke Krystufek, but here there is also kinship with Martin Kippenberger or Albert Oehlen. He sometimes describes himself as a "painter and a poet - and not a fucking video artist".

The motifs revolve around popular and underground culture, sometimes quotes from artists such as Rihanna, Ariana Grande or Miley Cyrus. Enström's painting is about love and hope based on contemporary conditions. How complicated it can be and / or in varying ways it can express itself. The performance in the painting also testifies to the energy and power that the artist gives to his motives.

Enström has exhibited in museums, galleries and biennials both in Sweden and internationally, such as Germany, Denmark, Russia and China.

The artist is present at the opening.

**Program:**

January 11 (Friday), at 17 - 19: Opening of exhibition.

February 9 (Saturday), 15-17: Artist talk between Martin Schibli and Alba S Enström

March 1 (Friday), 17-19: Finissage

Other opening hours / impressions are when the office is manned, sporadically open or preferably according to agreement with Curator Martin Schibli and / or Project Room HJÄRNE.

**Project Room HJÄRNE** is run entirely non-commercially & works more to create a free space to support the artistic process.

**Martin Schibli** works internationally as a curator.

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