

# MARKET

The Royal Academy Stockholm February 15-17 2008

**PRESS RELEASE**

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**Leading art galleries of Scandinavia participate at MARKET art fair in Stockholm.**

The MARKET art fair is held February 15-17, 2008, at the beautiful Royal Academy in central Stockholm. 32 of Scandinavia's leading galleries will participate in MARKET 2008 showing Scandinavian and international contemporary art. The Scandinavian profile of the fair is stronger and in 2008 we welcome eight galleries from outside of Sweden. Several of these galleries combine an international profile with a very strong national element, such as I8, Reykjavik and Galleri Opdahl, Stavanger. We are also happy to see the leading Scandinavian galleries return to the fair, such as Galerie Anhava, Helsinki; Galleri Riis, Oslo; Galleri Bo Bjerggaard and Nils Staerk Contemporary Art, Copenhagen. From Copenhagen we also have the pleasure to welcome two young galleries Peter Lav Photo Gallery and Galleri Tom Christoffersen. The interest to participate has been the greatest ever and created a difficult task for the selection committee.

## **New Solo Project**

New for MARKET 2008 is that the galleries have had the possibility to apply with a solo project for Tengbomhallen in the ground floor at the Royal Academy. With TENGBOM MARKET we have the pleasure to bring the world famous British sculptor Antony Gormley will do a special project for the fair arranged by Galerie Nordenhake, Stockholm.

## **The Fair**

MARKET is held for the third time at the Royal Academy in central Stockholm. The beautiful spaces and the convenient location form the basis for this exclusive fair with all of Stockholm's exhibitions and museums at the door step. During the art fair we will also organise seminars and talks.

## **Vision**

MARKET is a meeting place for galleries, artists, collectors and art lovers. The fair is growing in content and not in its size. Since its start in 2006, the presence of Scandinavian galleries have steadily risen. Eight Scandinavian quality galleries take part in MARKET in comparison with three in 2006 and five in 2007. The interest from international galleries is very strong – the fair has in a short time gained an excellent reputation, both amongst galleries and collectors.

## **Background**

MARKET took place in February 2006 on initiative of a group of gallery owners in Sweden. The idea was to create a high quality art fair in Stockholm. The fair took place for its second time in February this year after which the company *Konstmässan Market i Stockholm AB* was set up to organise the fair. New director is Sofia Bertilsson who is returning to Stockholm after a period as

director of Galerie Nordenhake in Berlin. The idea behind MARKET is to hold a yearly art fair in Stockholm with the leading galleries from Scandinavia.

### **Selection committee**

The selection committee for MARKET 2008 is made up of Stefan Andersson, Galleri Andersson Sandström; Natalia Goldin, Natalia Goldin Gallery; Gunnar Olsson, Galleri Gunnar Olsson; Sara Sandström, Galleri Andersson Sandström; and Jan Stene, Brändström & Stene.

### **Participants 2008**

Aerea	Stockholm
Alp Galleri/Peter Bergman	Stockholm
Andréhn-Schiptjenko	Stockholm
Angelika Knäpper Gallery	Stockholm
Ateljé Larsen	Helsingborg
Brändström & Stene	Stockholm
Dep art ment	Stockholm
Elastic	Malmö
Galerie Anhava	Helsinki
Galerie Nordenhake	Berlin/Stockholm
Galleri Andersson Sandström	Umeå
Galleri Bo Bjerggaard	Copenhagen
Galleri Charlotte Lund	Stockholm
Galleri Gunnar Olsson	Stockholm
Galleri Flach	Stockholm
Galerie Leger	Malmö
Galleri Loyal	Stockholm
Galleri Magnus Karlsson	Stockholm
Galleri Magnus Åklundh	Malmö
Galleri Mårtensson & Persson	Båstad/ Stockholm
Galleri Opdahl	Berlin/Stavanger
Galleri Ping Pong	Malmö
Galleri Riis	Oslo
Galleri Tom Christoffersen	Copenhagen
I8	Reykjavik
Mia Sundberg Galleri	Stockholm
Milliken	Stockholm
Natalia Goldin Gallery	Stockholm
Nils Staerk Contemporary Art	Copenhagen
Peter Lav Photo Gallery	Valby
Roger Björkholmen Galleri	Stockholm
Wetterling Gallery	Stockholm

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