

Ditte Ejlerskov at Crystal Palace
March 6 – March 30

Opening March 6, 5 – 8 p.m.

Crystal Palace proudly presents Ditte Ejlerskovs first show in Stockholm.

The work of Ditte Ejlerskov is revolving around the history of painting and plays with different discourses, mainly with figurative painting as her language. In her works a black monochrome gets expressionistic features. She works with the expressions of Balthus, Balthus and a feeling of unrequited love of modernism. Her motifs hint at the modern image of the young woman in contemporary trash culture.

Ditte Ejlerskov uses simple figuration as a outlet where the sentimental and the banal are allowed to underline the bigger issues, the common and human. Through the use of oval frames, of the type you usually see around family pictures in living rooms the private environment is linked to the expectations you have on the gallery room.

In the painting of Ditte the narrative, the image, comes from the act of painting. Her method is the one of abstract painting, but the images turn out figurative, often depicting the rooms of art, museums, studios, the empty white gallery rooms. The abstract painting works as an element in the narrative, like a word in a sentence. In the room you can see outstretched girls, who in exaggerated sensual poses play for the walls.

The girls are at the same time sexual objects and demanding subjects that take over the room, take the position of the art. Boys in small frames fill out the whole space with their presence, meet the onlooker with a straight look, a bold statement; "here I am".

Ditte Ejlerskov is born 1982 in Denmark and lives and works in Malmö. She has previously had solo shows at among other Fredrikshavns museum of art and at gallery Pictura in Lund, and participated in group shows at Bonn Kunstmuseum in Germany and Charlottenborg in Denmark.

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