

## Pressrelease

### **Zandra Ahl and Catti Brandelius at Crystal Palace, Stockholm –*Still Life/Queen or Mental* November 15th– December 21st**

Crystal Palace invites you to the show *Still Life/Queen or Mental*, opening **November 15th 2007, 5 p.m. – 9 p.m.** in presence of the artists. Crystal Palace is a new gallery for fine art, craft and design. The show *Still Life/Queen or Mental* is the gallery's second show and is open November 15th – December 21st.

#### *Still Life/ Queen or Mental*

In the works of both Zandra Ahl and Catti Brandelius there is a combined sense of seriousness, humour and passion. They challenge the onlookers ideas and they both work to create the conditions they need in their respective fields. Zandra Ahl and Catti Brandelius work with the grandiose and the ordinary, often at the same time.

*Still Life* is a series of new vases by Zandra Ahl. The title alludes to both still life, as a concept and in the same time it's a statement; there is still life. The series of vases are made of assembled objects, that majestically moves from being the mass fabricated materials they are made of, into unique objects of art. Zandra Ahl widens the room for craft and questions the dictatorship of good taste, in both theory and practise.

In the same way Catti Brandelius asks necessary and often uncomfortable questions about the contemporary as she questions the commonly accepted truths. Through alter egos Catti creates platforms from where she examines various conditions of life, contemporary and historically. In the poem *Offentlig Person (Public Person)* she dissects the meaning of being a celebrity and our preconceptions of what it means. Subjectivity is often central and outspoken in Catti Brandelius art. In *Queen or Mental* she parks her horse in the bicycle stand and hands out flyers where the first sentence reads: Who are you?

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