

"ALT FORLADT" by Astrid Gjesing(DK)

Opening the 17th of January 12-15. The last day the 15th of February 2009

On Saturday the 17th. Of January Senko Studio is having the opening of the installation "Alt forladt". This is made by the poet & visual artist Astrid Gjesing (DK). The title is also the headline of her two other artworks which are taking place in May and in November 2009. At Senko Studio the artist has made a new poem in neon.

Mathias Kokholm, BA in Scandinavian Languages and Literature and Art History. Literature promoter and publisher writes: "Whether Astrid Gjesing is a writer who orients herself visually between her words, or a visual person for whom the materialness and nature of language is conveyed as a weighty interweaving in the image, is something that one could reflect upon for a long time. She presents herself as a poet and visual artist. I would suggest word-painter, as she is beyond categories and yet still in one of her very own, where language is rendered spacious and inhabitable with many facets and expressions. It makes no sense to regard her work as an expression of two divergent kinds of practice; the hand is much too steady and the intuitive action has grown from a varied resonance box with experiences and studies from somewhere between word and image.

However, it soon became clear that when speaking of poetry or writing in connection with Gjesing's works, the concept must be expanded and the reader's optics changes. The buds of transgressions and additions shoot far beyond work and category. That Astrid Gjesing's practice falls between several different media and expressions is clearly demonstrated by a glance at her list of works that indeed begins with a book but which soon moves beyond the written page to performance, pictorial art, installation and sound works. Furthermore, it must be noted that the larger picture appears rhizomatically. The individual works place themselves in a network structure in a dialogue with earlier and future works. Several of the works are concretized over a number of years in different situations, have new elements added and grow as points with additions and branching".

In connection to the exhibition a t-shirt with the same text is published. Sold by Senko Studio or www.altforladt.dk. The installation is to be seen every day from 7.00 a.m. – 12.00 p.m. until the 15. Of February 2009

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