

Press release

ongoing schmidt pick | Tracey Emin, Nan Goldin, Paul Graham, Svetlana Heger, Maximilian Kirmse, Stephanie Kloss, Lindsay Lawson, Antje Majewski, Isa Melsheimer, Piotr Nathan, Magnus Plessen, Laure Prouvost, Richard Prince, Erik Schmidt, Katharina Sieverding, Dirk Skreber, Heidi Specker, Erik van Lieshout, Magnus Plessen, Katharina Wulff, Davide Zucco

a group exhibition following an invitation by Erik Schmidt

in collaboration with Claudia Rech

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Opening day: Wednesday, 10 March, 2021, 11 am - 8 pm

ongoing schmidt pick is the first show curated by Erik Schmidt for carlier | gebauer. Setting the premise for the gallery's 30th anniversary year, his 8th exhibition at carlier | gebauer has a special charm. Spanning the 1990s all the way through to the present day, *ongoing schmidt pick* gives us the opportunity to contemplate through the eyes of Schmidt as Flaneur. As Schmidt has been represented by the gallery for 22 years, his body of work also mirrors the history and development of the gallery itself - a fitting testament to our first exhibition of 2021, the year of the 30th anniversary of the gallery.

Born out of a necessity to contextualise Schmidt's work within both his own oeuvre and within the work of a younger generation of artists. The show acts as a retrospective in which the importance of Schmidt's practice of observation of public, private and social spaces are brought to the fore.

The show allows us to step into the mind of Erik Schmidt: an observer and narrator of a story that is unfolding before our eyes and materialised through the works of art.

Schmidt's trademark: the pertinent observation and narration of both the public and private through the medium of painting and film is here unveiled, with his observation and narration extended to the work of other artists.

Divided into rough categories such as 'the 90s', 'the contemporaries of Schmidt' and 'future positions'. The show forms a map of his influences whilst putting a group of artists in dialogue with his work linked not only by social circumstances but also by various themes.

Works on display are by the following artists: Tracey Emin, Nan Goldin, Paul Graham, Svetlana Heger, Maximilian Kirmse, Stephanie Kloss, Lindsay Lawson, Antje Majewski, Isa Melsheimer, Piotr Nathan, Magnus Plessen, Laure Prouvost, Richard Prince, Erik Schmidt, Katharina Sieverding, Dirk Skreber, Heidi Specker, Erik van Lieshout, Magnus Plessen, Katharina Wulff, Davide Zucco.

Each Sunday during the exhibition's opening hours, carlier | gebauer will stream a film by Erik Schmidt as part of the initiative 'Schmidt's Kino'. Interactive video content will be featured on the website and social media pages of the gallery.

Stay tuned and come and see the world through Schmidt's eyes.