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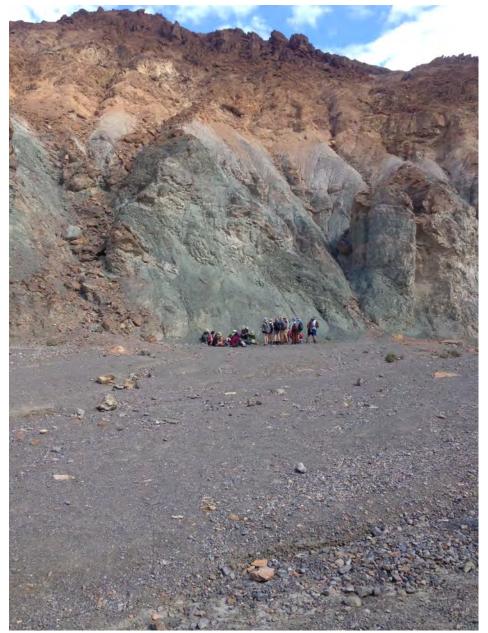
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## **DESERT DWELLING (2018-)**

Desert Dwelling is a collaboration project by Line Anda Dalmar and me. The desert is used as a site and framework to reflect on landscape, environment and time. In addition, Desert Dwelling explores the act of observation and documentation. The project uses common documentation/observation methods such as photography, video and sound. In addition, we employ more obsolete and time-consuming observation means such as drawing, casting and watercolor painting. This is to stress that different observation methods render the world differently, and provide noninterchangeable information about the world. Much of the visual material is from a field study in deserts in California in spring 2018. The study took place mainly in Death Valley and Joshua Tree and had a processual method. We selected a place in the desert and stayed there until we found something interesting to work with. Every day, we made experiences that we built on the next day. The working method focused on the fluid relationship between process, work and documentation. Deserts represent a great contrast to postmodern urban communities that are characterized by a flow of cultural signs. While the city seems to be full of meaning, a desert landscape can be perceived as meaningless. At the same time, the desert has a great symbolic meaning in the culture. It has recently become contested and political places. The virtual film CARNE y ARENA (2017) (Virtually Present, Physically Invisible) from 2017 allows the viewer to cross the border between Mexico and the United States through the Sonoran desert. In recent years, several deserts in Mexico and Africa have become dangerous routes for refugees who want to go to the West.



Field studies in Death Valley, 2018 (Photo: Line Anda Dalmar)



School Children in Death Valley, 2018



Black Rock Campground, Joshua Tree, 2018



Tecopa, watercolor, 2018



Sitespecific installation, Death Valley, 2018



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Sunprint and cactus, Joshua Tree, 2018



Yuccapalm, Cyanotype, Joshua Tree, 2018



Sitespecific installation, Joshua Tree, 2018





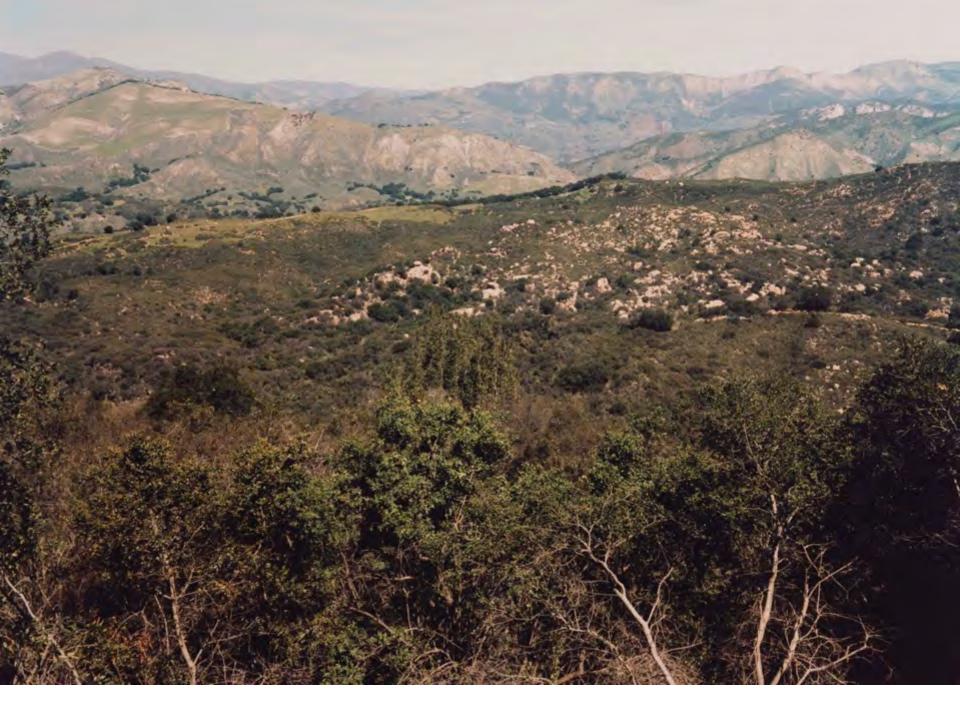
Line Anda Dalmar and Christine Hansen, Installation, Rom 61, University in Bergen

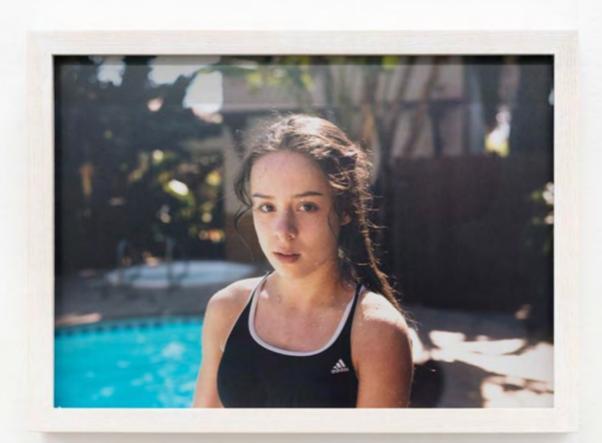
## Remembering C (2016)

In *Remembering C* series, I explore the ability of photography to achieve a quiet presence. The title refers to California on one side, but it also refers to a name. Several of my pictures in the series are from Big Sur - an area in California that was important to many artists and writers in the 40's and 50's, including Imogen Cunningham and Edward Weston. The area also was attractive because my interest in vegetation and nature. The work has among other places been exhibited at Photographer's Gallery in Oslo in 2017.





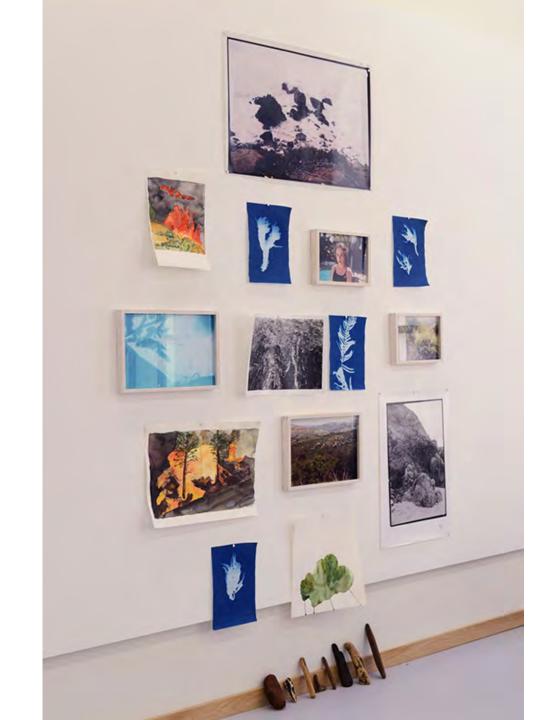






Remembering C, Vårutstillingen, Galleri Melk, 2017

Installation, Photography, sunprints, watercolor and objects, *Åpen Dag*, Tou Atelierhus, 2018



## Come What May (2015)

Come What May (2014-15) is about the experience of living with Alzheimer in the close family over many years. The work is an attempt to cope with the loss and also to remember a mother who gradually disappears. Come What May chronicles this loss in many different ways. One of the photographs is of the my daughter wearing her grandmother's dress from the 70s. A series of sun prints is of the weed from the pots on my mother's porch that she was not able to tend because of her illness. One of the photographs is a recent portrait of her mother. In addition I have included five postcards that my mother sent to my father while she was a chaperone on the artists' swimming camp in the 80s. The title of the work is a rewriting of a statement that my mother made when she realized that she was about to lose grip of her everyday life. The title also has a reference to the film Moulin Rouge that the granddaughter had as her favorite film at the time the portrait Come What May was made.







Christine Hansen *Come What May,* Støvkrystaller (Crystals of Dust), Galleri F15 (Foto Damian Heinisch)



Christine Hansen, Gunnlaug, *Come What May*, Støvkrystaller, Galleri F15

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### STØVKRYSTALLER

28 november 2015 - 24, januar 2016 posture

### **STØVKRYSTALLER**

en utstilling om demens og Alzheimer

Bente Geving - Viktor Micka - Laila Kongevold Marie Sjøvold - Christine Hansen Kurator Christine Hansen

28. november 2015 - 24. januar 2016

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\*Utstillingen har en visuell inngang til problematikken der fotografiets nærhet til fæmlie, ennre og fortid står sentrelt. I flere av prosjuktene skaper fotomediet en bro mellom den som ar rammet og de pårarende. Arbeidens fematiterer også minnetap. I ikhet med vär hukommelos kan fotografier kun vise, oss bruddistykker fra itvet. När vi begynner ä glemme blir minnene ande mer oppstykket. Det er som om hukommelsen krystalliserer seg og hvert minne blir omsluttat av en større avstand. Fotografiet er også en blit av virkeinstand, fologische in signa en oit er vinne ligheten og utställingen viser i mange täfslich blickfragmenter fra kundtsernes hubormeltes. Stocksyndaler undersisker hvorden vi kan kommunisere med og minnes familierieden mes som fotstatt lever, men som har fått sive livsbetingelser heit forantret."

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VIKTOR MICKA II. 1863 Fredriksted for Vol. (104 MCCA. I BLG Procreased har hovelflag i fotografi fra Kunst- og design-heyskolen i Bergen (1998). McCa. var med på flere gruppentstillinger på slutten av 30-tallet og begynnetten av 50-tallet. Han hadde en soloutstilling på Buskerud kunstherserter i 2004. Micket interesser har alföd vert knyttet til de performative og tetrale evulghetene i det fotografiske medlet. Han arbeider som kunstrukter på Det Norske Teatret.





LALA KONGEVOLD (f. 1970 Stavanger) er ut-damet fra Kunsthagskolen i Berger og har en omfattende kunstherisk virksomhet nasjonalt og internacionalt tak neg. Kongevold arbeider og internasjonant han heb, kongevent arbeider i manlige ullka teknikker der kontrekniten er syglenende for uttrykk og materials. Brudd i kommunikacijan og dekonstrukcijan av det hvendagslige og velkjente er et tilbekevendende tama. Hennes mest kjente kunstgrosiekt er tappeliknende gulvrelleffer med menster av blindeskrift utført i forgjongelige pulver-mutarialer som gurkemele, melle og kaffe.



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CHRISTINE HANSEN & 1969 Borgeril or utdon

net tra Kurist og designhegskelen i Bergen og arbeider i dag som leder for kunstnerisk terskring ved Kh8. Hun har PhD i kunst-

I-jordane Kunstmuseum, hen et inneget, er Aponk Kulturis die gregnesentent i Masjonali eussetts sandinger. Piere av arbeidene hennes tar utgangspunkt i konkrete steder som populatrisies vykoleus, flyglasser tig byge-plesser. Hun här også arbeidet ered familien

som tema i flere prosinktor.









### 50 Billion Micrograms (2015)

In the exhibition 50 billion micrograms, I take an unsolved mystery and a forgotten media event of 1979 as point of departure. Almost 36 years ago, a giant meteorite reportedly landed in Swan Lake (Svanevannet) in Flora municipality. I was 10 years old at the time, lived in Florø, and still remember the media fuss around this sensation. Based on the size of the hole in the ice, it was assumed that the meteorite weighed about 50 tons. The event was covered by both local and national newspapers. NRK sent several reporters to Swan Lake and the event was broadcast on the evening news with footage both above and below the water. After a long series of newspaper articles and investigations, it was concluded that the item on the lake bottom was not from space.

50 billion micrograms does not attempt to solve the riddle of 1979. Hansen uses poetic and place specific strategies that attempt to materialize the event for the spectator. The exhibition consists of photographs and cyanotypes made on the site featuring water, vegetation, and rocks in and around Swan Lake. In addition, the installation contains the sound footage of NRK recordings from 1979. In one of the pictures, On site, I am out in the lake beside the buoy where the meteorite landed. The work is conceived from a strong memory of the wonder of the universe and nature in childhood—where 50 tons could simply disappear into thin air. The project is not just about the meteorite's disappearance; it examines the loss of memory. Today, a media event of this size would have left innumerable traces in digital memory. 50 billion micrograms is, therefore, also about the current state of media. However, in the late 70s, when our cyber networks did not exist, a sensation could simply disappear without a trace in the depths of the Swan Lake.



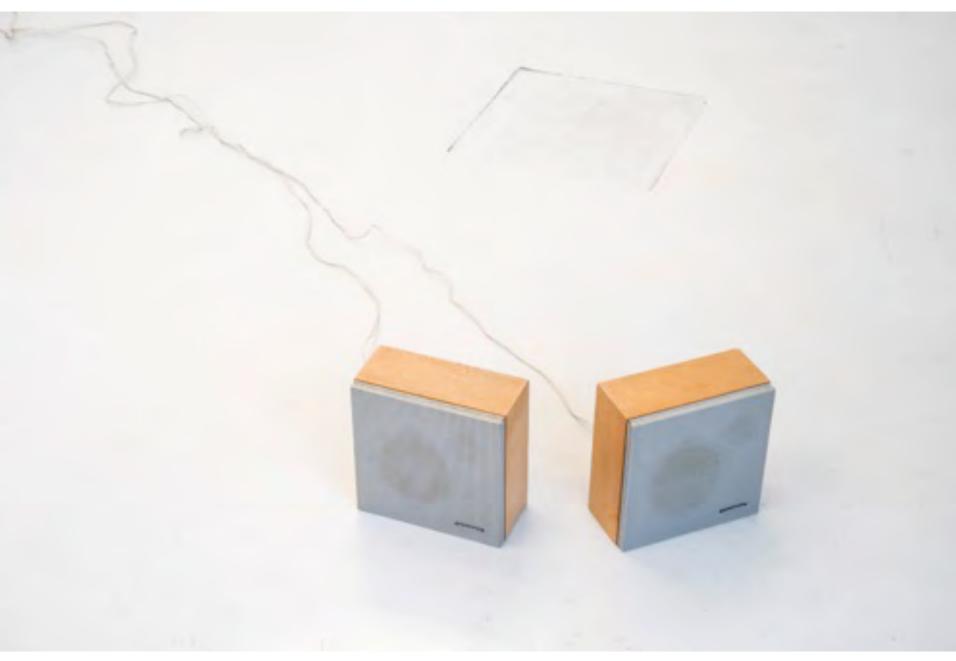
Christine Hansen, Swan Lake, 2014



Christine Hansen, On Site, *50 Milliarder mikrogram*, 2015



Camera Flowers, Cyanotypes, 2014



Studio 17, Sound Installation with Tandberg Loud Speakers (produced in 1978)



Christine Hansen 50 Billion microgram, 2015, Studio 17

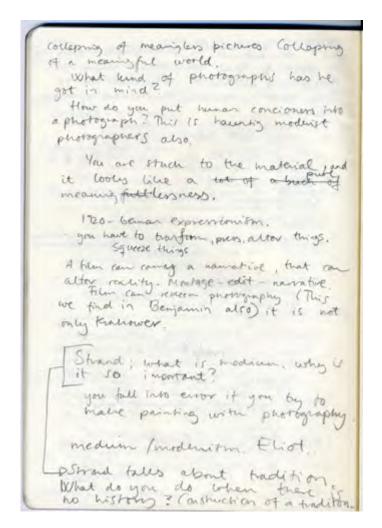
## *Itineraries* (2006–2013)

is a work of color and black-and-white photographs, visual representations connected to travel, and notebooks. Central to this project is my background as both an artist and academic. During the years that I devoted to this project, I also worked on a dissertation that raises issues concerning photography's legitimacy as art and changing ideas of landscape. While the documentary aspect is very important in several of my projects, it is toned down here. Although the pictures refer to concrete places that the artist has visited, on vacation, on residency, and attending conferences, and the notebooks are her notebooks, the work presents a more ambient and dreamlike gaze.

Many of my photographs are landscapes. Since the sixteenth century, landscape images have been associated with travel. Beginning in the nineteenth century, travel has been documented photographically. The expedition photographers transported large bulky cameras into the field, where they both photographed and processed the images on-site. My journeys could hardly be described as expedition travel in this sense. Rather, they are more accurately described as movements, in which the personal and the professional focus intersect and overlap. The notebooks included in the project thematize writing as a method to hold on to a moment, in the manner of photography. In the notebooks, abstract ideas are often expressed in a more direct and straightforward manner. The notebooks also place the photographs in the context of discussions that have surrounded the medium since its beginning.







How do you put human consciousness into a photograph? Moleskin notebook, 2007

Christine Hansen Itineraries, 2007-2013 C-print and notebooks



Christine Hansen Death Valley, California, 2013 *Itineraries, 2007-2013* 

## **Heaps and Constructions (2012)**

is a project from Tasta in Stavanger in Norway. Within a restricted area, a comprehensive development and alternation of the landscape takes place. In a relatively short time, this place changes from being a no-man's-land to a gigantic construction site that will contain new houses and a large shopping mall.

The site consists of temporary and changing heaps of sand and gravel. Observed from the right perspective, the area looks like an exotic stone landscape.

The project takes its point of departure from the increased interest in temporary heaps that occurred in the late 1960s, when several artists worked with heaps in diverse materials. The work explores the potential of such areas today. Development of the landscape is a controversial issue in Stavanger. This is a region which is supposed to preserve as much agricultural land as possible, while at the same time the petroleum industry places substantial pressure on the housing market.









## Familiographs (2006)

The series consists of color photographs of interiors, landscapes, gardens and people photographed in Norway, Sweden, Italy, Canary Islands and the U.S. All the pictures have a relation to my family and, like in a family album, the photographs—despite their diversity—are held together by one person's point of view. Similar to my earlier projects, *Norske Galehus* (2000) and *Himmelrike* (2003), we are confronted with a coupling of a detached photographic gaze and an emotional theme.

Familiegrafier thematizes the way in which we are unavoidably excluded from the close family context in which the photographs are conceived. This is a parallel to observing other people's private family photos, where it is often difficult to see beyond the surface of the picture. However, this does not signify that the pictures fail to communicate. From my essay Family Topographies in the catalogue:

I admit that people who don't know the specific places and persons in the way I know them, in one sense will find themselves on the outside of the world I stand in and know so well. But this outside is not definitive; these topographies can also be looked at from other points of view.

The series has been shown at Sogn and Fjordane Art Museum and Akershus Art Centre in 2006. Familiographs is mentioned in The Norwegian History of Photography (Lien and Larsen) and The Norwegian Art History (Danbolt).



### FAMILY TOPOGRAPHIES

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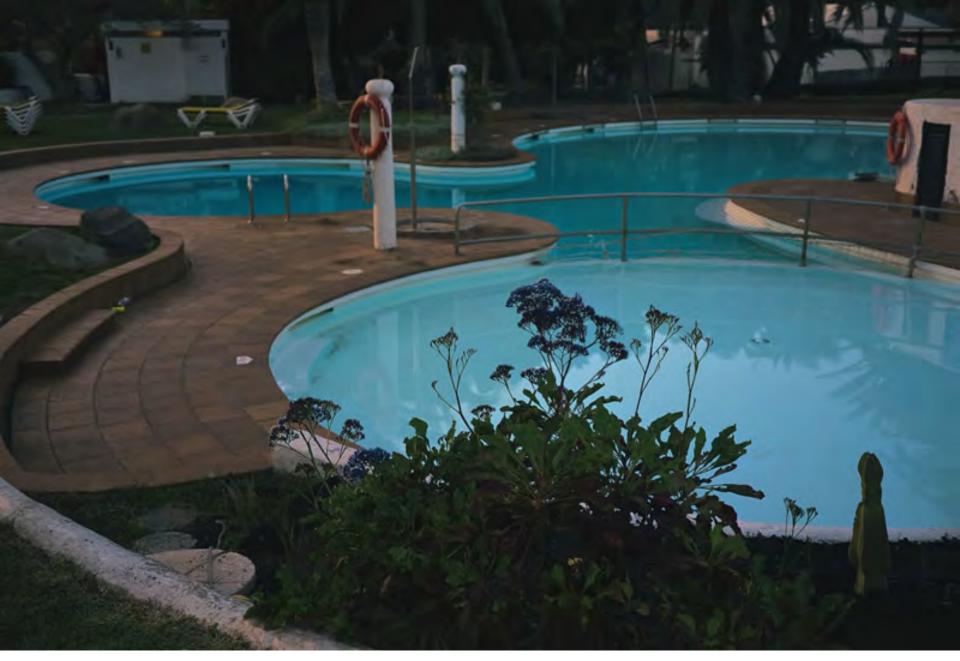
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Hotel Aqua Marina #1, Patalavaca, 2002



Vest Isolerglass, Florø, 2002



Familien Paolinetti/Wittusen, Patalavaca, 2004



Alvøen Hovedgård, Bergen 2006

#### Himmelrike (2003)

What fascinates me when we talk about airports is their ambivalence: they are modern places that seem easy to grasp, places we associate with vacation, large happenings, and more ordinary travels. At the same time, we know that airports also have been scenes for disasters and hijackings. What is special in *Himmelrike* is the focus on the airport's relation to the landscape or topography it is placed in. Therefore, it is not only terminals and airplanes that are important in this project; of equal importance is what one could call the airport's outer zones: rough terrains, places such as parking lots and roundabouts – places that we perhaps do not associate with the airport, and that we as travelers rarely reflect upon.

Per Kvist writes in the preface in *Himmerike*:

The airports are not represented frontally, but rather, they seem to be fringe phenomena, something observed from another, unknown angle. This is not the airport with its traditional aura of travel and exoticism, modernity and progress; rather, we are presented with a place whose status has been made uncertain.



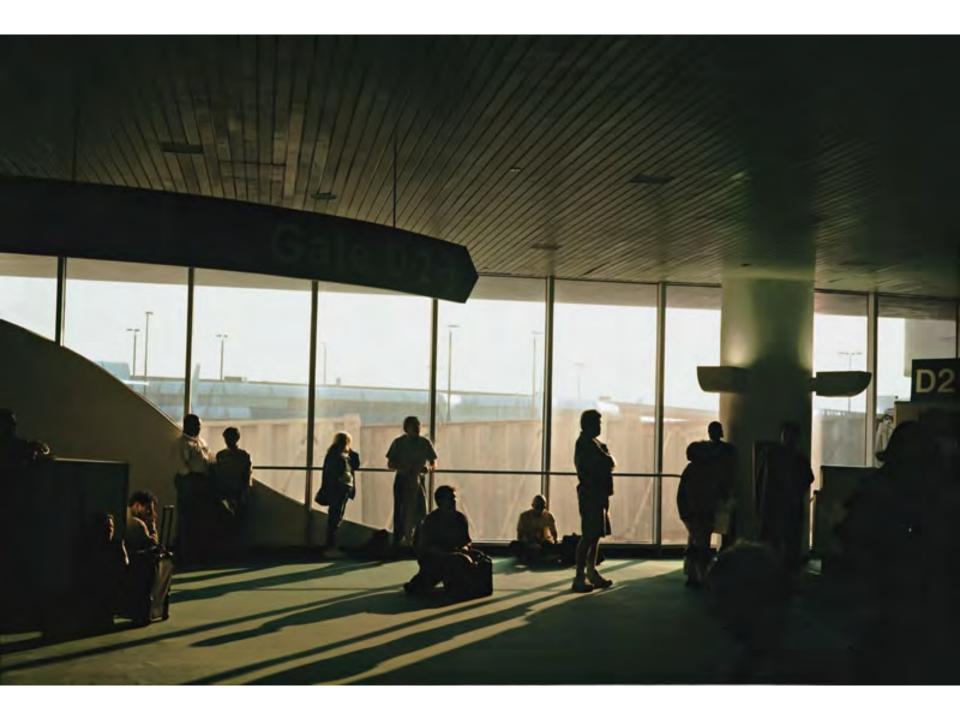
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For mange er flyplasser omgitt av e kontroll og suverenitet. Flyplasser er sub vender seg til oss enten vi befinner oss avstand. Det er noe uhyggelig og foru prosedyrer fra innsjekking og helt frem









People were moving from one place to another, all with their purpose. I didn't know who they were and they didn't know who I was. I took a deep breath and continued to look at the faces of people without a thought in my head. (...) I was still bewildered in a maze, unable to solve the simplest problem.

Haruki Murakami, Wind up Bird Chronicle

### Ansikter, Manhattan 2001/2018 (under arbeid)

The project is a series of black and white pictures taken on Manhattan before 11th. September. During a year I walked planned routes and photographed people on the street with a tele photo lens. I accumulated a large archive and none of the pictures has been exhibited before. I thought about it in the beginning as a conceptual project. During the time that has passed the pictures has , for me , changed character. It is this change that has resulted in me starting to work with the series again. The pictures has become a image of time, captured before something happened. I have come to like the photographs suppleness, how clothes, gestures and facial expressions communicates it's own language. The people finds themselves in the public space and relate to the silent rules of this space, At the same time they are not aware that they are being observed. This double status contribute to the fact that facial expressions, gaze and gestures is experienced as opaque.













#### Norske Galehus (2000)

A series of 19 photographs from psychiatric hospitals/institutions in the South of Norway. The project is presented in the "logic" of the archive, in which the differences among the houses can be read as morphological differences or *family resemblances*. In many ways, the project focuses on the similarity between these houses and other public buildings such as schools, hospitals, and retirement homes. The title, however, changes our attitude towards them, and gives them a certain *atmosphere*. The title is also characteristic of the popular imagery of the houses and their history. These are histories based in the local environment, but many of them have also been national media events.

Doris Frohnapfel, curator for *Junge norwegische Fotografi*, 6. Internatinale Fototage Herten, 2001 writes about the work:

Christine Hansen has looked into the history of the madhouses in Norway. The documentation of the buildings, when it comes to types, could not have been more extensive – health resort, - castle, -anonymous modern, -prison. They are all connected to the same use – storage of the "mad ones". This use is a contrast to the buildings, which we could ascribe to other histories if we didn't know their content.









Christine Hansen Norske Galehus, 2000







Norske Galehus, Bergen Kunstmuseum (KODE), 2000

**Curatorial Work** 

2012 - 2016

### **SLOW PICTURES. Contemporary Photography // 26. mai – 11. September 2016**

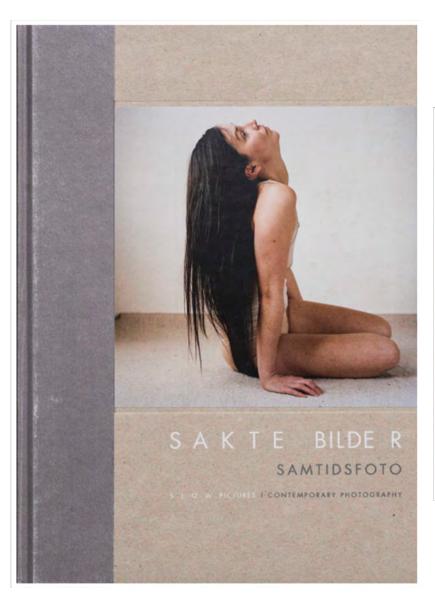
(text from the wepage of Lillehammer Artmuseum)

In recent years we have seen steadily increasing interest in handcraft, tradition, and the material qualities of objects, a pattern that has included art photography. The tendency is frequently explained as follows: the pressure from the flood of digital images, the nearly all-encompassing digitalization, has created a need for something we can grasp with our hands, something physical, concrete, tangible. The exhibition gives a view of Norwegian art photography at a time when the fleeting, transitory nature of the digital image is dominant.

In differing ways the artists in the exhibition renew the idea of the specifically photographic. Their various working methods create delays, a kind of *slowness*, in the experiencing of the image so that quietness arises, a space for reflection. The exhibition deals with time—not understood as a recapitulation of frozen movement or the passing of time given symbolic expression, but *involved time*: the preparation for the shooting of the picture, the complex work after the shot is taken, and the time devoted to the spectator's experience of the impact of the image's meaning.

#### **Artists**

Signe Marie Andersen, Bjarne Bare, Margareta Bergman, Øystein Dahlstrøm, Ingrid Eggen, Behzad Farazollahi, Else Marie Hagen, Toril Johannessen, Eline Mugaas, Sandra Vaka Olsen, Linn Pedersen, Ola Rindal, Vilde Salhus Røed, Stein Rønning, Tom Sandberg, Marthe Elise Stramrud, Morten Torgersrud, and Marte Aas.





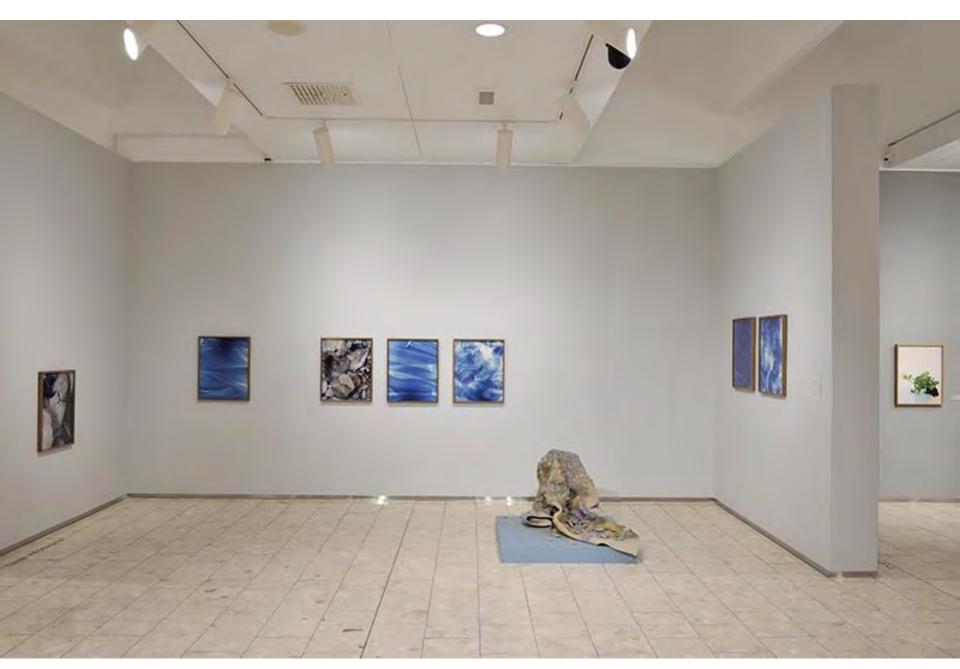
Slow Pictures. Contemporary Photography, book publised on the occasion of the exhibition (2016), Norwegian and English text.



**Tom Sandberg** 



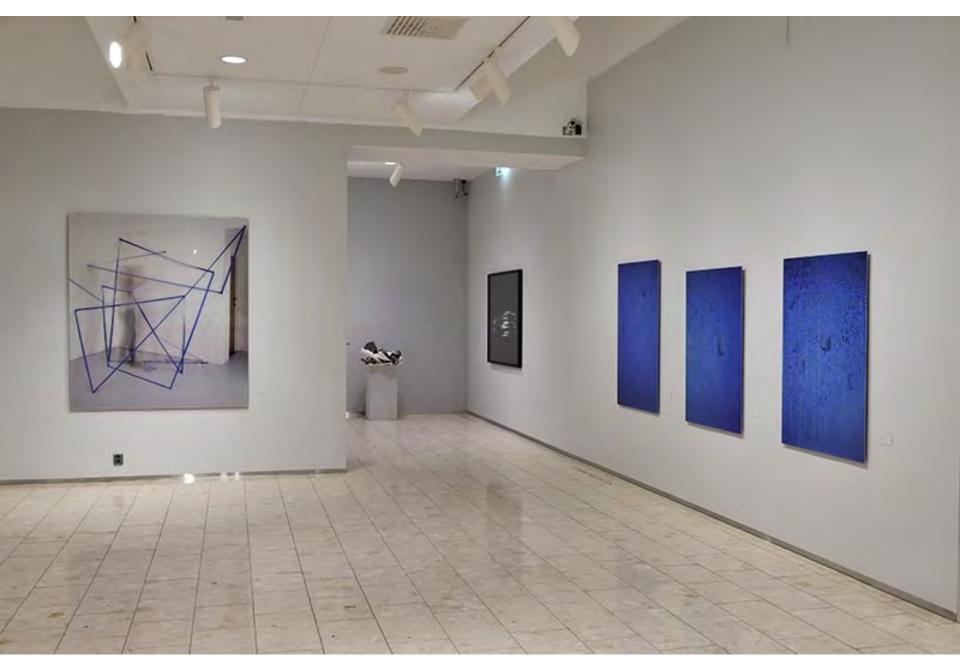
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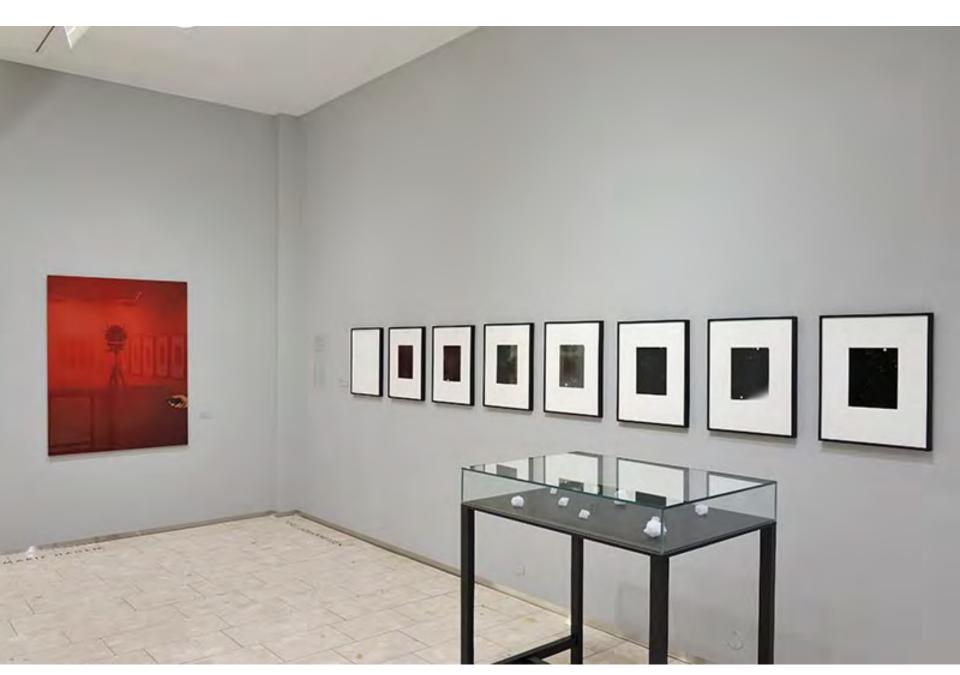
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Behad Farazollahi og Marte Aas



Sandra Vaka Olsen og Morten Torgersrud

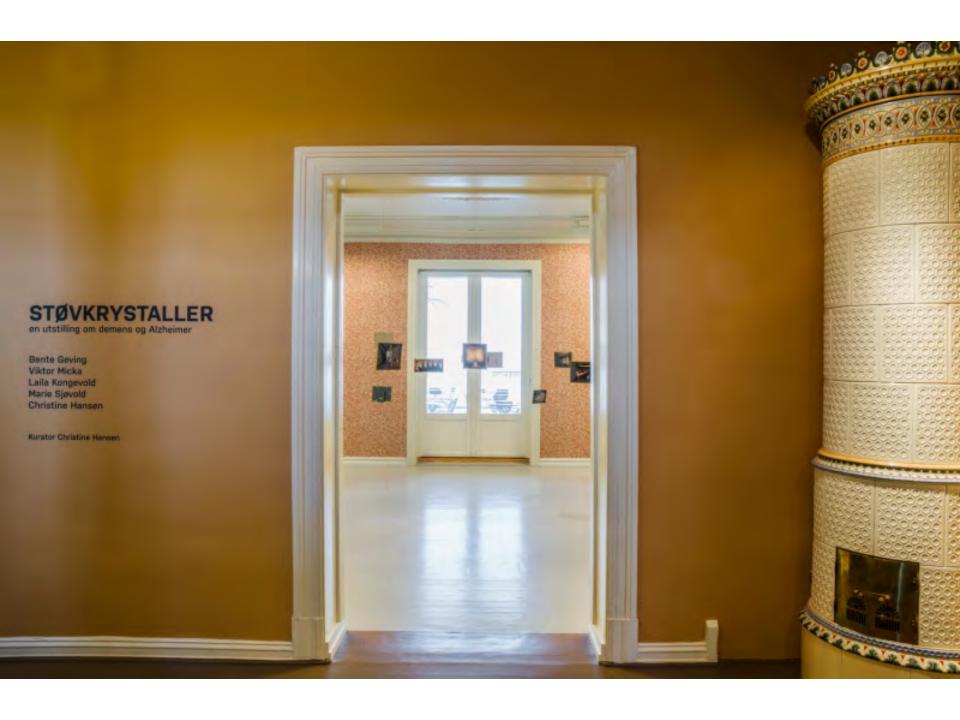


Else Marie Hagen og Torill Johannessen

# STØVKRYSTALLER – 2015 and 2016, Hå Gamle Prestegard og Punkt Ø, Galleri F15

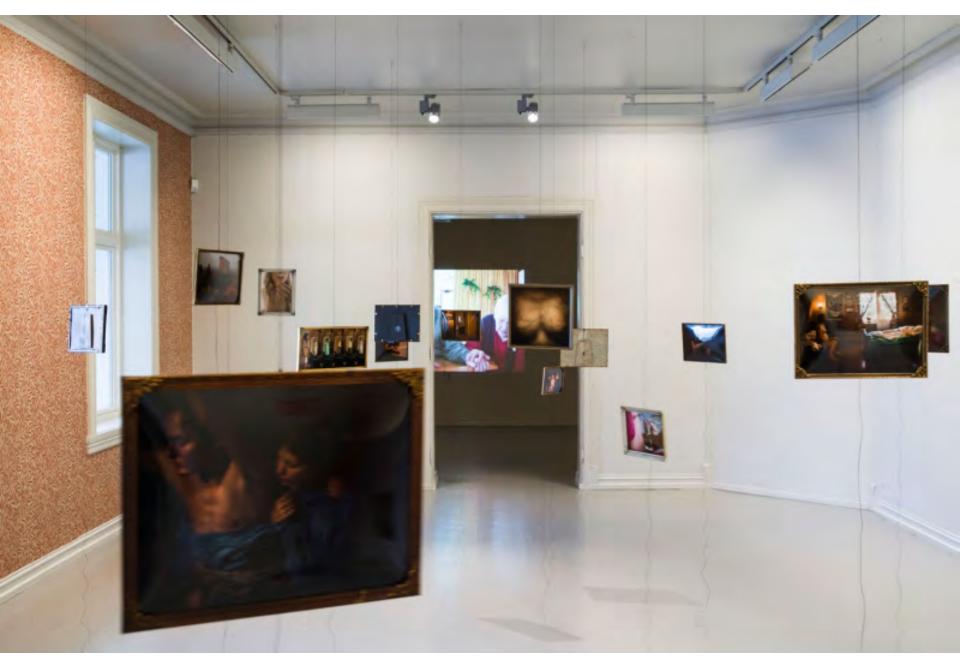
Støvkrystaller/Crystals of Dust presents the camera based projects of Bente Geving, Viktor Micka, Laila Kongevold, Marie Sjøvold and Christine Hansen. Using their own family experiences as points of departure these artists all explore subjects related to dementia. This is one of the first art-exhibitions in Norway that deals with such an important issue. Dementia remains a taboo subject for much of our society. The disease is characterized by loss of memory and troubles in executing daily routines. Slowly a patient loses their relational bonds to friends and family. The exhibition contains visual and sensual approaches to this issue and uses the photographic medium's interplay of memory and the past. As individuals we only remember fragments of our life. But when we start forgetting, our memory becomes even more fragmentary. It is as if the memory crystalizes and a distance develops between each and every memory. Photography is also a fragment of reality, this exhibition uses a variety of methods to explore this topic in both a documentary and poetic manner. Dust Crystals explores the span between the sufferer's changed relation to his/her environment and the relatives' reconciliation with this. The exhibition also investigates how we can communicate with family members that are still alive, but have their conditions of life entirely changed.

Live-radio with Søssa Jørgensen and Yngvild Færvik in the exhibition (podcast) <a href="https://soundcloud.com/faer-y-j-rgensen/live-radio-f15mix">https://soundcloud.com/faer-y-j-rgensen/live-radio-f15mix</a>





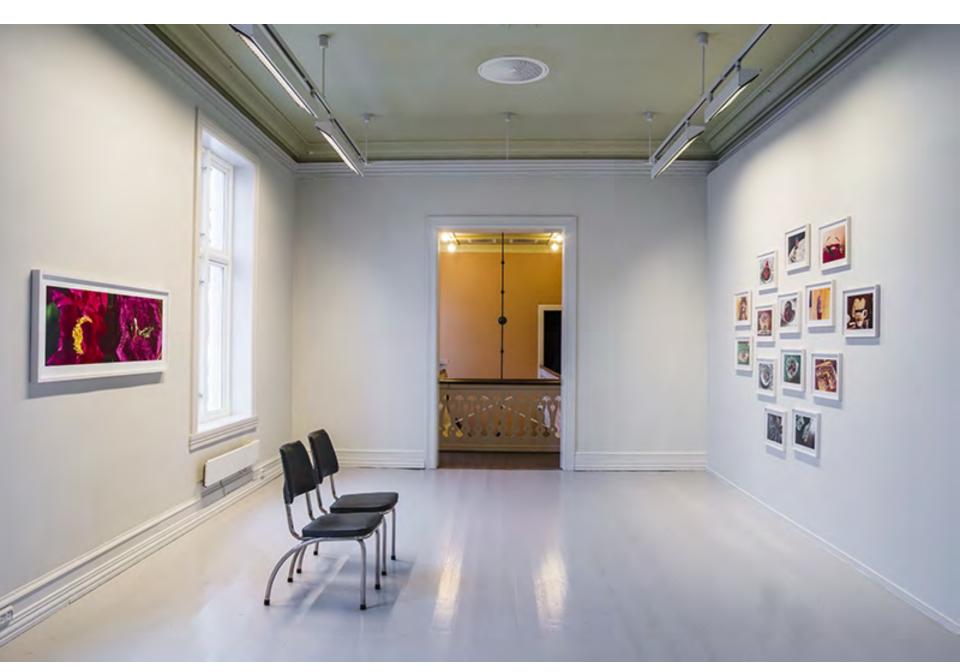
Marie Sjøvold and Christine Hansen (photo: Damian Heinisch)



Marie Sjøvold and Laila Kongevold (photo: Damian Heinisch)



Christine Hansen (Photo: Damian Heinisch)



Ringen, Bente Geving, 2015



View, Viktor Micka (photo: Damian Heinisch)



Marie Sjøvold (Photo: Damian Heinisch)

#### NORSK LANDSKAP 1987, 2012, Preus Museum (text from Preus Museum's webpage)

"We knew that there existed a Norway between the waterfalls, the fjord and the midnight sun – a Norway which will never be found on postcards or calendars [...] These landscapes might seem meaningless and anonymous, but they have their beauty»

From the project description, 1987

In 2012 is was 25 years since the photographers Per Berntsen, Jens Hauge, Johan Sandborg and Siggen Stinessen went on a 18 day trip in Norway to photograph the Norwegian landscape. The quartet traveled with a 8x10" camera that they operated together. During the trip they photographed 134 pictures. 44 were selected to the final exhibition that was showed at Henie Onstad Art Centre the same year. The backdrop for this project was a mutual critical stance on the dominant view on how the Norwegian landscape was depicted, and a which to redefine how this landscape was photographed. Almost the whole exhibition was transferred to Preus Museum in 2000 for conservation. The project stand in the "New Topographics"-legacy. Christine Hansen has finalized a dissertation on this work. It is therefore timely to show it 25 years after it originally was exhibited.

"The photographers behind NL1987 first and foremost had esthetic for photographing the changes in the landscape. Precisely this continues to make NL 1987 a provocative and radical project. Have we actually internalized the changes that have happened and are happening in the landscape? The controversies surrounding the installation of high- tension towers in Hardanger indicate that a great many people in Norway still believe the country looks it did during the era of national romanticism. The development of Hardanger has been depicted as an attack on the undisturbed natural world of Hardanger, even though that region has been heavily industrialized since the beginning of the 1900s. The national landscape for many still consists of fjords, mountains, and waterfalls. Very few people agree that «the Norwegian» landscape is gray, boring and modest. NL 1987 shows us it is that also."

Christine Hansen, from the catalouge



Preus Museum, Horten





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