

COPENHAGEN CERAMICS

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Press release:

New Gallery Space for Ceramics opens in Copenhagen

Danish Ceramics have long enjoyed international attention and respect . With the opening of Copenhagen Ceramics, you will yet again be able to experience the best of contemporary Danish Ceramics in the Danish capital. The new exhibition venue opens its doors on January 5th 2012.

Danish Ceramics hold a strong position and enjoy great recognition worldwide. Danish ceramists increasingly exhibit in well-reputed galleries across the world and their work is shown in and bought by international museums. However, in recent years the Copenhagen area has been much in need of a gallery for contemporary ceramics.

This situation has prompted three of Denmark's experienced and internationally recognized ceramists to launch an ambitious exhibition series. The originators behind the gallery are Bente Skjøttgaard, Steen Ipsen and Martin Bodilsen Kaldahl and their ambition with the project is to show the current developments on the Danish ceramics scene, rendering visible the diversity and high quality, that characterize the work presently being made.

The exhibition-calender for all of 2012 is already set. Copenhagen Ceramics will be presenting four solo shows , five duo-exhibitions and one group show with six ceramists representing the younger generation.

The project span the generations and by coupling the artists in unexpected ways we are setting the scene for surprises from even the more well-known artists, explain the originators. Our curatorial approach will be reflecting what we as professionals find exciting and boundary-exploring right at this moment. We have sought for a wide spectrum, which shows in the selection of both very young and more established artists. We are after experimentation as well as brilliant ceramic know-how and a strong personal expression. We have opted for ceramists, whose artistic development over the years has been distinct, or for recently educated ceramists having contributed with original work. The ambition-level of the shows will be high, whether few or many works are exhibited.

The physicality of ceramics, the inherent textural and material qualities demand real-life experience of the work, making the physical exhibitions a core activity for us.

But Copenhagen Ceramics will also be established as a web-based platform.

At www.copenhagenceramics.com the exhibitions can be followed closely as they are being shown, you can get an overview of various activities being held in connection with the shows, seek information on artists and contact the gallery and the artists or sign up for newsletters and invitations. A blog connected to the website will provide a more informal insight into the creation-process behind the exhibitions.

The new venue is situated on 2nd floor in an old factory building of the back premises on Smallegade 46 in the Frederiksberg district of the Danish capital – just opposite the former site of the Royal Copenhagen Porcelain Manufacture.

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Saturday: 12 am – 4 pm