

## MICHAEL KVIUM

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Born 1955 in Horsens, DK  
Lives and works in Spain and Denmark

### EDUCATION

1985 MFA, The Royal Danish Academy of Fine Art, Copenhagen, DK

### SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2025 BGE Contemporary Art, Stavanger, NO (Upcoming)  
*Junction*, Kunsten Museum of Modern Art, Aalborg, DK
- 2024 *WETLAND*, The Nivaagaard Collection, Nivaa, DK  
*Tales*, Gaia Art Space, Wong Chuk Hang, HK  
*An eye for an eye*, NILS STÆRK, Copenhagen, DK
- 2023 *The Noise of Silence*, Oluf Høst Museum, Gudhjem, DK
- 2022 *Darkland Blues*, Galleri Brandstrup, Oslo, NO
- 2020 *Vertical Tale*, BGE Contemporary Art, Stavanger, NO  
*Pale Male Tales*, NILS STÆRK, Copenhagen, DK
- 2019 *Point of No Return*, Galleri Brandstrup, Oslo, NO  
*Skitsen*, Museet Holmen, Løgumkloster, DK
- 2018 *Circus Europa*, Kunsthal Rotterdam, Rotterdam, NL  
*Art Me*, Tang Contemporary Art, Hong Kong, CN
- 2017 *Cirkus Europa*, ARKEN Museum of Modern Art, Ishøj, DK  
*The Shade of White*, BGE Contemporary Art Projects, Stavanger, NO  
*Michael Kvium*, Horsens Art Museum, Horsens, DK  
*Think Bigger*, Trapholt Museum of Modern Art, Kolding, DK

# NILS STÆRK

- 2016 *Saligia*, Kunsthalle Göppingen, Göppingen, DE
- 2015 *Saligia*, Dunkers Kulturhus, Helsingborg, SE
- 2014 *Painter's Nest*, NILS STÆRK, Copenhagen, DK  
*Fools*, ARoS: Aarhus Art Museum, Aarhus, DK
- 2013 *La Vida*, Centro de Arte Contemporáneo Wifredo Lam, Havana, CU  
*Real Monsters*, Kunsten Museum of Modern Art Aalborg, Aalborg, DK
- 2012 *Freestyle Tales*, Horsens Art Museum, Horsens, DK; Horst-Janssen Museum, Oldenburg, DE  
*Michael Kvium*, Red Brick Museum, Beijing, CN  
*Tail to Tail*, NILS STÆRK, Copenhagen, DK
- 2011 *Where the Hell is God*, Emsdettener Kunstverein, DE  
*Freestyle Tales*, The Kastrupgaard Collection, Copenhagen, DK; Faeroe Islands Art Museum, FO  
*Nun Mom*, Galleri Brandstrup, Oslo, NO
- 2009 *La Vida*, Gallery Franz Pedersen, Horsens, DK
- 2008 *An Eye for a Tale and a Tale for an Eye*, Faurschou, Copenhagen DK  
*European Intruder*, Faurschou, Beijing, CN  
*Intruder's Eyes*, The Today Art Museum, Beijing, CN  
*Michael Kvium in China*, Shenzhen Guan Shanyue Art Museum, CN
- 2007 *Night Eye*, Galerie Hof & Huyser, Amsterdam, NL  
*Silent Eye*, Ordrupgaard Collection, Charlottenlund, DK
- 2006 *JAYWALKING EYES*, ARoS: Aarhus Art Museum, Aarhus, DK
- 2005 *Michael Kvium*, Nordiska Akvarell Museet, Skärhamn, SE  
Galerie Hof & Huyser, Amsterdam, NL
- 2004 *Silence*, Rogaland Kunstmuseum, Stavanger, NO  
*Deep Forest*, Haugar Vestfold Kunstmuseum, Tønsberg, NO  
*Paradise Fall*, Galleri Brandstrup, Oslo, NO  
*Silence*, Faurschou, Copenhagen, DK

# NILS STÆRK

- 2003 *Eye Fall*, DCA Gallery, New York City, NY, US  
*Deep Forest*, Horsens Art Museum, Horsens, DK
- 2002 *The Wake*, DCA Gallery, New York City, NY, US  
*Bidrag til Bedrag*, Galleri Franz Pedersen, Horsens, DK
- 2001 *Nieuwe Schilderijen*, Galerie Hof und Huyser, Amsterdam, NL  
*Maleriets Rum*, Galleri Brandstrup, Oslo, NO  
*Gifted Paintings*, Faurschou, Copenhagen, DK
- 2000 *Baroque Coherence*, DCA Gallery, New York City, New York, US  
*The Wake*, w. Christian Lemmerz, National Gallery of Denmark, Copenhagen, DK
- 1999 *135*, Galerie Deschler, Berlin, DE
- 1998 *Fools*, Horsens Art Museum, Horsens, DK  
*Short Stories*, Faurschou, Copenhagen, DK  
*Opretstående Malerier*, Galleri Franz Pedersen, Horsens, DK  
*Eyes of Reality*, Nordens Hus, Copenhagen, DK  
*Momentum*, Galleri Brandstrup, Moss, NO  
*Fools*, Det Danske Kulturinstitut, Edinburgh, Scotland, UK  
*Black Nose*, DCA Gallery, New York City, New York, US
- 1997 *Pay Back*, MUHKA, Antwerp, BE  
*Circus Humanus*, ARoS: Aarhus Art Museum, Aarhus, DK
- 1996 *Omstendige Historier*, Galleri Franz Pedersen, Horsens, DK
- 1995 *Double Pain*, DCA Gallery, New York City, NY, US  
*Domestic Scene*, Faurschou, Copenhagen, DK  
*Basic Rhythm*, Vejle Art Museum, Vejle, DK; Kunsten Museum of Modern Art, Aalborg, DK
- 1994 *Natural Paintings*, Muka Gallery, Auckland, NZ  
*The Art Unto Sickness*, Horsens Art Museum, Horsens, DK; Nordic Art Center, Sveaborg, FI
- 1993 *Global Dwarf*, Galleri Susanne Ottesen, Copenhagen, DK  
*The Art Unto Sickness*, Galleri F15, Moss, NO

# NILS STÆRK

- 1992 *Arvtagerbilleder*, Franz Pedersens Kunsthandel, Horsens, DK  
*Chorós*, South Jutland Museum of Art, DK
- 1991 *Livogdødelleringentingil*, Galleri Specta, Aarhus, DK  
*Chorós*, New Carlsberg Glyptotek, Copenhagen, DK
- 1990 *Lucias øjne*, Esbjerg Art Museum, Esbjerg, DK; Herning Art Museum, Herning, DK  
*Untitled paintings*, Galleri Prag, Copenhagen, DK  
*Titelless Paintings*, Gallery Arctius, London, UK
- 1989 *Overflodsbilleder*, Franz Pedersens Kunsthandel, Horsens, DK
- 1988 *Re.Kvium*, Galleri Prag, Copenhagen, DK  
*Papirvirus*, West Zealand Art Museum, Sorø, DK; Horsens Art Museum, Horsens, DK  
Franz Pedersens Kunsthandel, Horsens, DK
- 1987 *Kvinder*, Galleri Prag, Copenhagen, DK  
*D.N.A.*, Galerie Nemo, Eckernförde, DE  
Franz Pedersens Kunsthandel, Horsens, DK
- 1986 Horsens Art Museum, w. Lars Nørgaard Horsens, DK
- 1985 Franz Pedersens Kunsthandel, Horsens, DK
- 1984 *Sorte 80'ere*, Galleri A-Gruppen, Copenhagen, DK
- 1983 Galleri 33, Roskilde, DK  
Galleri A-Gruppen, Copenhagen, DK

## GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2025 *The Noise of Nothingness*, NILS STÆRK, Copenhagen, DK
- 2024 *so, you've joined the dark side?*, Albert Contemporary, Odense, DK
- 2023 *IN CLAY AND PAPER*, Trapholt Museum of Modern Art, Kolding, DK

- Silvers in the Void*, MAMOTH, London, UK
- 2022 *IN CLAY AND PAPER* Bomuldsfabrikken Kunsthall, Arendal, NO  
*Fra Horsens af*, Horsens Kunstmuseum, Horsens, DK  
*Horsens Kuraterer*, Horsens Kunstmuseum, Horsens, DK
- 2020 *Tang Contemporary Art*, duo with Christian Lemmerz, Bangkok, TH
- 2019 *Circus*, Gl. Holtegaard, Gl. Holte, DK  
*Walking Through Walls*, Martin-Gropius-Bau, Berlin, DE
- 2017 *FOCUS ON – Danish and International Art after 1900*, National Gallery of Denmark, Copenhagen, DK  
*Eight Artists*, Nordiska Akvarellmuseet, Skärhamn, SE
- 2016 *Reunion: Michael Kvium, Christian Lemmerz & Erik Frandsen*, Fondazione Aldega, Amelia, IT  
*FUGL*, Johannes Larsen Museet, Kerteminde, DK; Sophienholm, Kgs. Lyngby, DK; Vendsyssel Kunstmuseum, Hjørring, DK  
*Send in the Clowns*, NILS STÆRK, Copenhagen, DK  
*Let's Match*, Kunsten Museum of Modern Art, Aalborg, DK
- 2011 *Jens Søndergaard Museum*, Bovbjerg, DK
- 2010 *Dronning af Danmark*, Frederiksborg Museum of National History, Hillerød, DK  
*Shades of black*, Ordrupgaard Collection, Charlottenlund, DK  
*I LOVE YOU*, ARoS: Aarhus Art Museum, Aarhus DK  
*Echo*, Esbjerg Kunstmuseum, Esbjerg, DK
- 2009 *HAPPY BIRTHDAY*, ARoS: Aarhus Art Museum, Aarhus, DK
- 2008 *Jesus Crisis*, w. Christian Lemmerz, Galleri Brandstrup, Oslo, NO
- 2007 *Grønningen*, Kunsthall Charlottenborg, Copenhagen, DK
- 2005 *Lemmerz, Kvium, Frandsen*, Galleri Brandstrup, Oslo, NO
- 2004 *KLF – Michael Kvium, Christian Lemmerz, Erik A. Frandsen*, DCA Gallery, New York City, New York, US  
*Lost*, Martin Bigum, Michael Kvium, Andrea Lehman, Astrid Nondal,

# NILS STÆRK

- Galerie Hof & Huyser, Amsterdam, NL
- 2003 *Kjell Erik Killi Olsen og Michael Kvium*, Esbjerg Kunstmuseum, Esbjerg, DK
- 2002 *Erik A. Frandsen, Michael Kvium, Christian Lemmerz, Franz Pedersens*  
Kunsthandel, Horsens, DK  
*Socle du Monde*, Herning Kunstmuseum, Herning, DK
- 1999 *Mennesket*, ARKEN Museum of Modern Art, Ishøj, DK  
*Utopia*, Rogaland Kunstmuseum, Stavanger, NO  
*Eyegoblack*, Pinacoteca do Estado de Sao Paulo, Sao Paulo, BR; Museo  
National de Bellas Artes, Buenos Aires, AR; Museo de Arte  
Contemporáneo, CL; Trapholt Museum of Modern Art, Kolding, DK  
7th Havana Biennial, Havana, CU
- 1998 *Eyes of Reality*, The Nordic House, Reykjavik, IS
- 1997 *Liber Blu*, Galleria Blu, Milano, IT  
Grosse Kunstausstellung NRW, Düsseldorf, DE
- 1996 *Kunstpalastr*, Düsseldorf, DE  
*KLF – Michael Kvium, Christian Lemmerz, Erik A. Frandsen*, ARKEN  
Museum of Modern Art, Ishøj, DK  
DCA Gallery, New York City, NY, USA
- 1995 *From the Golden Age Until Today. 200 Years of Danish Art and  
Handicraft*, City Art Centre, Edinburgh, Scotland, UK  
*Dänemark*, Mannheimer Kunstverein, Mannheim, DE  
*Stockholm Art Fair 95*, Faurshou, Stockholm, SE  
*On Location*, Bruxelles, BE  
*10 år med årets kunstner*, Kunsthall Aarhus, Aarhus, DK  
*Copenhagen Art Fair*, Faurshou, Copenhagen, DK  
*X/Y Identity and Position in Contemporary Nordic Art*, Oulu Art Museum,  
Oulu, FI
- 1994 *X/Y Identity and Position in Contemporary Nordic Art*, Turku Art  
Museum, Turku, FI  
*Cityslang*, Kunstforeningen, Copenhagen, DK  
*Stockholm Art Fair 94*, Faurshou, Stockholm, SE  
*Works on paper*, Faurshou, Copenhagen, DK  
*FIAC*, Faurshou, Paris, FR

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- Art Cologne*, Faurshou, Cologne, DE  
*Danish Contemporary Art*, 420 West Broadway, New York City, New York, US  
*Blind Date. Ten Years After*, Hersegade 17, Roskilde, DK  
*Nordiskt Önskemuseum*, Gothenburg Art Gallery, Gothenburg, SE  
*Copenhagen Art Fair*, Faurshou, Copenhagen, DK  
*HJÆLP! Jeg er samler*, Randers Museum of Art, Randers, DK
- 1993 *FIAC*, Faurshou, Paris, FR  
*Billedbygning*, Vejle Art Museum, Vejle, DK  
*Spejlbilleder*, Frederiksborg Museum of National History, Hillerød, DK  
*Copenhagen Art Fair*, Faurshou, Copenhagen, DK
- 1992 *Norsken 92*, Biennale for Young Scandinavian Art, Kunsthallen, Gothenburg, SE  
*Inferno*, The Royal Museum of Fine Arts, Copenhagen, DK  
*Kitch bli'r Kunst*, Kunstforeningen, Copenhagen, DK  
*Nordiska Teckningar*, Bergen Kunstforening, Bergen, NO
- 1991 *Nordiska Teckningar*, Nordic Art Center, Sveaborg, FI; Nordjyllands Kunstmuseum, Aalborg, DK  
*Kirsten and Palle Diges Fonds 25 års Jubilæumsudstilling*, Nordjyllands Kunstmuseum, Aalborg, DK
- 1990 *Noordkunst*, Horsens Art Museum, Groningen, NL
- 1989 *Udsøgte akvareller*, The Department of Prints and Drawings at The Royal Museum of Fine Arts, Copenhagen, DK  
*Skulls*, Galleri Susanne Ottesen, Copenhagen, DK
- 1988 *Danemark. Ateliers en liberte. 17 artiste danois*, Foundation Cartier, Paris, FR  
*Focus*, Gl. Holtegaard, Holte, DK  
*Danish Art*, Galleri F15, Moos, NO  
*Himmelgåden*, Den Frie – Centre of Contemporary Art, Copenhagen, DK
- 1987 *Eighty. European Painters*, Strasbourg, FR; Kunsthall Charlottenborg, Copenhagen, DK  
*Nye billeder i 80'erne*, The Department of Prints and Drawings at The Royal Museum of Fine Arts, Copenhagen, DK
- 1986 *Villiam H. Michaelsen Legat*, The Department of Prints and Drawings at The Royal Museum of Fine Arts, Copenhagen, DK

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*Limelight*, Kunsthø Charlottenborg, Copenhagen, DK  
*Vild med Kunst*, Hunov's Collection, ARoS: Aarhus Art Museum, Aarhus, DK  
*Kunst i offentlige rum. Realitet/utopi*, Køge Museum of Art Sketch Gallery, Køge, DK

- 1985 *Vi har ingenting at sige, men vi gør det så koncentreret som muligt*, w. Christian Lemmerz, Galleri Kongo, Copenhagen, DK  
*Eks-Skolens Forlag*, w. Christian Lemmerz, Copenhagen, DK  
Franz Pedersens Kunsthandel, Horsens, DK  
*Tegneserie*, w. Christian Lemmerz Galleri Basilisk, Copenhagen, DK  
*Børn og unge i dansk kunst*, Horsens Art Museum, Horsens, DK
- 1983 *The Artists' Autumn Exhibition*, Den Frie - Centre of Contemporary Art, Copenhagen, DK
- 1981 *The Artists' Autumn Exhibition*, Den Frie - Centre of Contemporary Art, Copenhagen, DK
- 1980 *The Artists' Autumn Exhibition*, Den Frie - Centre of Contemporary Art, Copenhagen, DK

## PERFORMANCES

- 1997 *Failagain Wake*, w. Christian Lemmerz, ARKEN - Museum of Modern Art, Ishøj, DK
- 1989 *Luxus/Fluxus*, (Performance group Vaerst), *The Musicians Paints-The Painters Make Music and The Writers Shut Up*, Kulturministeriet, Copenhagen, DK  
*Body*, (Performance group Vaerst), Aarhus Festival, Aarhus, DK; New Carlsberg Glyptotek, Copenhagen, DK
- 1988 *A Twin*, w. Sonny Tronborg, Billedfabrikken, Odense, DK  
*Work in Progress*, (Performance group Vaerst), The Festival Permutant Wurst, Copenhagen, DK
- 1987 *Afasi I*, (Performance group Vaerst), Café Kellerridk, Copenhagen, DK  
*Afasi II*, (Performance group Vaerst), Sveaborg, FI  
*Afasi III*, (Performance group Vaerst), Roskilde Festival, Roskilde, DK



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- 1986 *Afasi*, (Performance group Vaerst), Sole, Stavanger, NO
- 1985 *We have nothing to say, but we do it as concentrated as possible*, (Performance group Vaerst), Galleri Kongo, Copenhagen, DK  
*The Mountaineers and In the Valley*, (Performance group Vaerst), The Artists' Autumn Exhibition, Kunsthall Charlottenborg, Copenhagen, DK  
*Hans U.N.K.*, (Performance group Vaerst), Stockholm, SE  
*Hans*, (Performance group Vaerst), Holbæk Art School, Holbæk, DK;  
Krasnapolsky, Copenhagen, DK
- 1984 *Cordelia I*, (Performance group T'um), Tranegaarden, Gentofte, DK  
*Cordelia II*, (Performance group T'um), Gud og Grammatik, Kunsthall Charlottenborg, Copenhagen, DK  
*The Danish*, w. Christian Lemmerz, The Cultural House, Stockholm, SE  
*Nihil*, w. Christian Lemmerz, Galleri Sub-Set, Copenhagen, DK

## FILMS & SCREENINGS

- 2008 *The Wake*, w. Christian Lemmerz 11th Cairo International Biennale, Cairo, EG
- 2001 *The Wake*, w. Christian Lemmerz  
*The Wake on Tour*, Pinacoteca, Sao Paulo, BR; Bienal de Arte de la Habana, CU; Bienal Arte de Buenos Aires, Museo Nacional de Bellas Artes, AR; The Fruitmarket Gallery, Edinburgh, UK; Horsens Art Museum, Horsens, DK; Centro de Arte Moderna, Fundacao Calouste Gulbenkian, Lisbon, PT
- 1999 *The Wake*, w. Christian Lemmerz, Art Biennial 2000 National Gallery of Denmark, Copenhagen, DK; World Wide Video Festival, Amsterdam, NL; Kampnagel, Hamburg, DE
- 1992 *Voodoo-Europa*, w. Christian Lemmerz
- 1991 *Albert at Andy's: Portrait of Albert Mertz* w. Christian Lemmerz
- 1986 *Grød [Porridge]*, (Performance group Vaerst)

## PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

Espoo Museum of Modern Art, FI  
Red Brick Contemporary Art Museum, Beijing, CN  
Today Art Museum, Beijing, CN  
Shenzhen Guan Shanyue Art Museum, CN  
ARoS: Aarhus Art Museum, Aarhus, DK  
Cabinet Des Estampes, Geneve, CH  
Esbjerg Art Museum, Esbjerg, DK  
Frisia Museum, Spanbroek, NL  
Fondation Frances Hervé, Senils, FR  
Gothenburg Art Gallery, Gothenburg, SE  
Haugar Vestfold, Tønsberg, NO  
Herning Art Museum, Herning, DK  
Horsens Art Museum, Horsens, DK  
Kunsten Museum of Modern Art, Aalborg, DK  
South Jutland Museum of Art, DK  
The Nordic Watercolour Museum, Göteborg, SE  
National Gallery of Denmark, Copenhagen, DK  
Vejle Art Museum, Vejle, DK  
Sorø Art Museum, Sorø, DK