

## LEA PORSAGER

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Born in Frederikssund, DK, 1981  
Lives and works in Copenhagen, DK

## EDUCATION

2025 Mads Øvlisen postdoctoral fellowship for practice-based research, DK  
2021 PhD, Malmö Art Academy and Lund University, SE  
2010 MFA, The Royal Danish Academy of Fine Arts, Copenhagen, DK  
2009 MFA, Städelschule, Frankfurt am Main, DE

## SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2026 SIMIAN, Copenhagen, DK (upcoming)

2026 Lea Porsager x Fuglsang Art Museum (special display), Fuglsang Kunstmuseum, DK

2023 SNOOZE (90 Seconds to Midnight), NILS STÆRK, Copenhagen, DK

2021 STRIPPED, Kunsthal Charlottenborg, Copenhagen, DK

2020 STRIPPED, Moderna Museet, Stockholm, SE  
*Horny Vacuum – Pulsations and appetites*, FuturDome, Milano, IT

2019 [WEAK] FORCE, Museet for Samtidskunst, Roskilde, DK

2018 *Gravitational Ripples*, Stockholm, Sweden (site specific work)

2016 Z WAN (special display - part of the SMK<sup>2</sup> project series), National Gallery of Denmark, Copenhagen, DK  
*E(AR)THERIC SLIME ~ PRE-OP*, NILS STÆRK, Copenhagen, DK  
*E(AR)THERIC SLIME ~ POST-OP*, Brandts13, Odense, DK  
*Ova Splash - Aftermath w/ delicious raw expansive eggnog served chilled (experiment)*, X and BEYOND, Copenhagen, DK

# NILS STÆRK

- 2015 *Cut-splice Supercluster*, Künstlerhaus Bethanien, Berlin, DE  
*Ring-Pass-Not*, Kunstverein Göttingen, Göttingen, DE  
*SPIN*, Overgaden – Institute for Contemporary Art, Copenhagen, DK  
*ATU XI "LUST"*, NILS STÆRK, Mellemrummet, Copenhagen, DK
- 2014 *FOOD FOR THE MOON – Sluggish and Well-lubricated*, Henie Onstad Kunstsenter, Høvikodden, NO
- 2013 *A Cosmic Mishap*, The Emily Harvey Foundation, New York, NY, US  
*How to program and use T-F*, Fotografisk Center, Copenhagen, DK
- 2011 *CELESTIAL BODY – Disrupted Nerve Fluid and Crossed Shock Waves*, Henningsen Gallery, Copenhagen, DK
- 2008 *Magnetic Correspondence*, Henningsen Gallery, Copenhagen, DK
- 2006 *NAGI – I is Another*, Röda Sten, Gothenburg, SE
- 2005 *It doesn't happen*, Råhuset, Copenhagen, DK
- 2004 *INNOVATOR – reality as idea as idea*, Basement, Copenhagen, DK

## GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2025 *Sense Unknown*, MO.CO. Montpellier Contemporain, Montpellier, FR  
*Det elskede billede*, Sorø Art Museum, Sorø, DK  
*Major Works*, Den Frie Udstillingsbygning, Copenhagen, DK  
*Recast*, University Library, University of Copenhagen, Copenhagen, DK
- 2024 *Air de repos (Breathwork)*, CAPC Musée d'art Contemporain de Bordeaux, Bourdeaux, FR  
*Living Museum - Erratic Bodies I*, Castello di Rivoli Museum of Contemporary Art, Torino, IT  
*After the Sun – Forecasts from the North*, Buffalo AKG Art Museum, Buffalo, NY, US  
*After the Sun*, Gammel Strand, Copenhagen, DK  
*MÆLKEVEJE – KOEN I KUNST OG KULTUR*, The Nivaagaard Collection,

Nivaa, DK

*Naboplanter*, Den Frie – Centre of Contemporary, Copenhagen, DK

- 2023 *There Should Have Been Roses*, HFKD, Huset for Kunst & Design, Holstebro, DK  
*TEKNOKROPPE*, HEART - Museum of Contemporary Art, Herning, DK  
*Bad Timing – or How to Write History Without Objects*, Den Frie – Centre of Contemporary, Copenhagen, DK  
*TEKNOKROPPE*, Fuglsang Kunstmuseum, Guldborgsund, DK
- 2022 *BETAMAX*, NILS STÆRK, Copenhagen, DK  
*P for Perspective*, Simian, Copenhagen, DK  
*VÆSEN [CRITTER]*, Ebeltoft Kunsthall, Ebeltoft, DK  
*Jeg står op med jordens mylder*, Kunstø, Samsø, DK
- 2021 *At the end of the rainbow*, ARKEN, Ishøj, DK  
*The Chengdu Biennale*, the Central Academy of Fine Arts, Beijing, CN  
*Shedhalle*, Zürich, CH  
*Cosmos Emma Kunz - A visionary in dialogue with contemporary art*, Aargauer Kunsthau, Aarau, CH  
*Performa 2021 Biennial*, New York City, NY, US  
*Into The Wild*, Huset for Kunst og Design, Holstebro, DK
- 2020 *Not Without My Ghosts*, Blackpool, UK  
*Den Frie Udstilling*, Den Frie – Centre of Contemporary, Copenhagen, DK  
*Not Without My Ghosts*, London, UK  
*Broken Symmetries*, KUMU, Tallinn, EE  
*Friheden er uden for Huden*, Kunsthall44Møen, DK  
*Broken Symmetries*, National Taiwan Museum of Fine Arts, RC  
*Quantum*, iMal, Brussels, BE
- 2019 *Cosmic Excistance*, Den Frie – Centre of Contemporary, Copenhagen, DK  
*Cosmological Arrows*, Bonniers Konsthall, Stockholm, SE  
*BLOOM – Festival om natur & videnskab*, Copenhagen, DK  
*Situated World*, 14th Medial Arts Biennial, Santiago, CH  
*Quantum*, CCCB, Barcelona, ES  
*Suspended Power*, Hervisions, London, UK
- 2018 *Broken Symmetries*, FACT, Liverpool, UK  
*Almende*, The Second Triennial of Beetsterzwaag, Beetsterzwaag, NL  
*Holbæk Art 2018*, Holbæk, DK

*Starry Nights*, ARKEN, Ishøj, DK  
*Vibrant Matter*, SAK, Svendborg, DK

- 2017 *Cool, Calm and Collected*, AroS Aarhus Art Museum, Aarhus, DK  
*Synthetics, Primer*, Kgs. Lyngby, DK  
*Erotik*, Overgaden – Institute of Contemporary Art, Copenhagen, DK  
*Ovartaci*, Kunsthall Charlottenborg, Copenhagen, DK  
*Lea Porsager, Gizela Mickiewicz, Nicola Martini, Rolando Anselmi*, Berlin, DE  
*Colori*, GAM, Castello di Rivoli Museum of Contemporary Art, Torino, IT
- 2016 *Sketch for a new world*, Sorø Art Museum, Sorø, DK  
*Experiment 111*, KØS – Museum of Art in Public Spaces, Køge, DK  
*Artists' Books, Growing Wildly*, Den Frie – Centre of Contemporary Art, Copenhagen, DK  
*The Spring Exhibition*, Den Frie – Centre of Contemporary Art, Copenhagen, DK  
*Via Além - técnicas e visões*, Pivô, São Paulo, BR  
*Survival Kit*, Annual Contemporary Art Festival, Riga, LV  
*Roll over spin forward*, SixtyEight Art Institute, Copenhagen, DK  
*OPSLAG NEDSLAG - Danish Artists' Books*, The Black Diamond - The Royal Library, Copenhagen, DK
- 2015 *Intention to Know: The Thought Forms of Annie Besant*, Stony Island Arts Bank, Chicago, IL, US  
14th Istanbul Biennial, *SALTWATER: A Theory of Thought Forms as Annie Besant's "medium"*, Istanbul, TU  
*Believe not every spirit, but try the spirits*, MUMA – Monash University Museum of Art, Melbourne, AU  
*Axis Mundi – Art as a healing tool*, Le Moinsun, Paris, FR  
*Too much of a good thing*, NORDIC CONTEMPORARY, Paris, FR
- 2014 *SYSTEMICS #4: Aarhus Rapport – Avantgarde as network (or, the politics of the ultralocal)*, Kunsthall Aarhus, Aarhus, DK  
*The Moderna Exhibition, Society Acts*, Moderna Museet, Malmö, SE  
*post-excavation*, ELASTIC Gallery, Stockholm, SE  
*The Biennial Summer Sculpture*, Soeby, DK  
*Framework 1: Extrasensory Bonds - insitu*, Berlin, DE  
*Im-Materialitet (bevidsthed) no. 3*, Sorø Art Museum, Sorø, DK  
16th Tallinn Print Triennial, *LITERACY – ILLITERACY*, Kumu Art Museum, Tallinn, EST
- 2013 *Shapes in the Making*, Lunds konsthall, Lund, SE

# NILS STÆRK

*It is only a state of Mind*, Heidelberg Kunstverein, Heidelberg, DE  
*Urschleim, Fauna*, Copenhagen, DK  
*Interrelations*, Titanikas Exhibition Halls, Vilnius, LT  
*ROOM 1*, Henningsen Gallery, Copenhagen, DK  
*ROOM 0*, Henningsen Gallery, Copenhagen, DK  
*Inner/Outer Realms*, Galleri Rotor, Gothenburg, S  
*UNTEN-AM-HAVN-FESTIVAL: COPENHAGEN MEETS HAMBURG*, Hamburg, DE  
*24 Spaces*, Koh-i-noor, Malmö Kunsthall, Malmö, SE  
*Open Studio*, ISCP, New York, NY, US  
*Ritual Room*, Contemporary Art Centre (CAC), Vilnius, LT  
*Distinguished from the melee of user comments and structurally misogynist chatrooms harbouring rapid-fire trolls*, Skt. Gertruds, Malmö, SE  
*Female Power*, Museum voor Moderne Kunst, Arnhem, NL  
*Believers*, Varbergs Konsthall, Varberg, SE  
*Encore! After the cathastrophy*, Bonniers Konsthall/ Biografen Sture, Stockholm, SE  
*It is only a state of Mind*, Neue Gesellschaft für bildende Kunst, Berlin, DE  
*Systemics #1 – Certain peculiar things and ideas, often failed*, Kunsthall Aarhus, Aarhus, DK

- 2012 *dOCUMENTA(13)*, Kassel, DE  
*Copenhagen Art Festival*, Den Frie – Centre of Contemporary Art, Copenhagen, DK  
*Spatium – Danish Contemporary Art*, Kumu Art Museum, Tallinn, EST
- 2011 *Con Amore - Leif Djurhuus Samling*, Aros Aarhus Art Museum, Aarhus, DK  
*Veninder*, Beaver Project, Copenhagen, DK  
*Thisted Biennalen*, Thisted, DK  
*KOH-I-NOOR*, Den Frie – Centre of Contemporary Art, Copenhagen, DK
- 2010 *Et Forsøgs Teater*, Henningsen Gallery, Copenhagen, DK  
*Faint to Black*, Henningsen Gallery, Copenhagen, DK  
*Sea and Space Explorations*, Los Angeles, CA, US  
*AFGANG 2010*, Charlottenborg, Copenhagen, DK  
*Anstrøg*, Galleri Christina Wilson, Copenhagen, DK  
*I KNOW WHAT EVERYBODY DID...* Henningsen Gallery, Copenhagen, DK
- 2009 *AM I*, Møstings Hus, Copenhagen, DK  
*Real/Fiction*, Gallery Clifford, Vejle, DK  
*KÅT*, Galleri Box, Gothenburg, SE  
*Rundgang*, The Royal Danish Academy of Fine Arts, Copenhagen, DK

*Ung Dansk Fotografi '09*, Fotografisk Center, Copenhagen, DK  
*Rundgang*, Städelschule, Frankfurt am Main, DE  
*Springtime 2*, Henningsen Gallery, Copenhagen, DK

2008 *50 x 50 x 5*, Henningsen Gallery, Copenhagen, DK  
*ENTER*, Brandts Art Museum, Odense, DK  
*They have overcome death and return to share our life*, Koh-i-noor, Copenhagen, DK  
*Rundgang*, The Royal Danish Academy of Fine Arts, Copenhagen, DK  
*Spring Exhibition*, Henningsen Gallery, Copenhagen, DK

2007 *Invited to Invite*, Henningsen Gallery, Copenhagen, DK  
*Karriere*, Karriere Bar, Copenhagen, DK  
*Maskinkraft*, Roskilde Museum, Roskilde, DK  
*Maskinkraft*, The Museum of Contemporary Art, Roskilde, DK  
*Rundgang*, The Royal Danish Academy of Fine Arts, Copenhagen, DK

2006 *Åbnings Udstilling*, Henningsen Gallery, Copenhagen, DK  
*Dynamo-Art Academy*, Kultorvet, Copenhagen, DK  
*Futureshots*, Gloria, Copenhagen, DK  
*Rundgang*, The Royal Danish Academy of Fine Arts, Copenhagen, DK  
*FOREVER AND EVER AND EVER*, Gallery Q, Copenhagen, DK

## PRIZES & GRANTS

2026 Danish Arts Foundation's work grant  
2025 Danish Arts Foundation's work grant  
2023 Danish Arts Foundation's work grant  
Eckersberg Medal  
2021 Danish Arts Foundation's work grant  
2022 New Carlsberg Foundation Artist Award  
2020 Prins Eugen Medal  
Danish Arts Foundation's production grant  
2019 Gravitational Ripples was nominated for Best Landscape Architecture  
John and Margaretha Aspegren's Scholarship, The Royal Swedish Academy of Engineering Sciences, IVA's 100th anniversary  
Danish Arts Foundation's production grants  
2018 CERN Honorary Mentions for the Collide International Award  
Danish Arts Foundation's production grant

2016	Danish Arts Foundation's production grant
2015	Danish Arts Foundation's production grants
2014	Carl Nielsen & Anne Marie Nielsens Grant Danish Arts Foundation's three-year work-grant Danish Arts Foundation's production grants
2013	Danish Arts Foundation's work grant Danish Arts Foundation's production grant
2012	Aage & Yelva Nimb's Grant Malerne Else og Henning Jensen's Grant Danish Arts Foundation's work grant Danish Arts Foundation's production grants
2011	Danish Arts Foundation's work grant Danish Arts Foundation's production grant
2010	Danish Arts Foundation's production grants
2008	The Montana ENTER Prize

## **PUBLIC COLLECTIONS**

Moderna Museet, Stockholm, SE  
Statens Museum for Kunst / The National Gallery of Denmark, DK  
Henie Onstad Kunstsenter, Oslo, NO  
ARKEN, Museum of Modern Art, Ishøj, DK  
Sorø Art Museum, Sorø, DK  
Malmø Art Museum, Malmø, SE  
Museet for Samtidskunst, Roskilde, DK  
Skissernas Museum, SE  
Fuglsang Kunstmuseum, DK  
Museet for Religiøs Kunst, DK

## **PUBLIC COMMISSIONS**

*Gravitational Ripples*, Stockholm, SE  
*Exaggerated Gravity*, Holbæk Art, DK  
*Repulsive Enchantment*, Aarhus School of Architecture, Aarhus, DK  
KLIT, Odense, DK  
*Palm\_Reading\_Touch\_Swipe*, Prästängsskolan Stångby, SE  
*Exhumed Limy Pool*, Fuglsang Kunstmuseum, Guldborgsund, DK

## PUBLICATIONS

- 2025 *Outrageous Intimacy*, Porsager, Lea and Brøgger, Synnøve B. (Ed.), Mousse Publishing
- 2021 *CU<sup>n</sup>T-SPLICING THOUGHT-FORMS: Promiscuous Play with Quantum Physics and Spirituality*, Lund University Press
- 2020 *[?!]*, Hoegsberg, Milena (Ed.), Mousse Publishing
- 2016 *Ring-Pass-Not*, Porsager, Lea and Brøgger, Synnøve B. (Ed.), Officin
- 2014 *FOOD FOR THE MOON—Sluggish and Well-lubricated*, Porsager, Lea and Brøgger, Synnøve B. (Ed.), Antipyrine
- 2014 *Cut-Splice Supercluster*, Porsager, Lea and Brøgger, Synnøve B. (Ed.), Officin
- 2013 *Ablaze With the Fires of Matter*, Brøgger, Synnøve B. (Ed.), Officin
- 2012 *Anatta Experiment*, Porsager, Lea and Brøgger, Synnøve B. (Ed.), Edition After Hand
- 2012 *NERVE FLUID*, Porsager, Lea and Brøgger, Synnøve B. (Ed.), Edition After Hand