

PRESS RELEASE – Supermarket Art Fair 2008 – February 4th 2008

Supermarket Art Fair 2008 is growing and moving to a larger location!

For the third year running the Nordic Regions largest and most dynamic artist-run international art fair takes place in the center of Stockholm.

This year the fair will have 40 participating artist-run spaces, and Supermarket Art Fair is now relocating to larger quarters to make enough room for the art.

Supermarket Art Fair 2008, February 15th–17th will take place at Enskilda Galleriet, Kronobergs-gatan 37 in central Stockholm. 1500 square metres will be filled with art by international and Swedish galleries and artists. Galleries participate from Canada, Germany, the Netherlands, Poland, USA, the UK, the Nordic countries and of course Sweden.

– We want to create a dialogue with the audience through interesting art projects, says Pontus Raud, project manager of Supermarket Art Fair.

Joining us from New York City is the prestigious organisation/gallery Sculptors Guild and from Montréal is RCAAQ, the organisation for the Artist Run Centres in Quebec.

Alma Enterprises, London, UK, presents the project "Europe for President" by Thomas Altheimer. The G.U.N. Ladies from Oslo, Norway shows the art project the White Tube – which was awarded as the Art Gallery of the year 2007 by the daily paper Aftenposten.

The Swedish farmer/artist collective Kultivator from the island Öland will present a project that addresses highly relevant issues of food production, ecology and trade.

Supermarket Talks – a scene at the centre of the fair – invites the audience to performances, panel discussions, film screenings and artist presentations. Some examples:

- "Exercis", dance performance by Maria Heimer Åkerlund. Civilians and dancers performing a military drill.
- "Why Artist-Run Spaces?" A comparative panel discussion with artist-run galleries from seven countries.
- "Artists' copyright", with BUS, the Visual arts copyright organisation in Sweden.
- Films by Romanian video artist Ciprian Muresan and others.

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Background:

Supermarket Art Fair developed from Minimarket - an event held at Konsträrshuset in February 2006 as a spontaneous reaction to the new commercial art fair Market. The following year the international art fair Supermarket 2007 occupied the whole building at Konsträrshuset. This project, initiated and organised by artists, is part of an international trend and puts Stockholm on the art world map.



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