

# *Strangers*

Hellvi Kännungs, Gotland, Sweden, 20.6–31.12 2019

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This exhibition is a personal selection of works that all formally resemble the portrait. Some of them are made as portraits of specific people, while others merely use the human face as a means of expression. Common to all drawings, paintings and sculptures is that the depicted person is the main motif of the work. The oldest artwork in the exhibition dates from the 17th century, the last one was finished only a few weeks ago.

In *Strangers* we encounter nineteen characters in nineteen artworks that are gathered for an unexpected meeting. They have different origins and fates but have somehow ended up in the same barn on Gotland. We meet their gazing eyes, and they look at each other. A conversation begins when they present themselves to each other, a conversation that deepens when the visitors arrive. Everyone has a story to tell – about how it is to be human.

Hellvi Kännungs is Galleri Magnus Karlsson's project room in a rebuilt limestone barn on the island of Gotland. Since 2011 it is an alternative exhibition space to the gallery in Stockholm. Some of the gallery artists have curated their own exhibitions here and it has been a place to explore new ideas. Hellvi Kännungs has become a meeting point for artists and public in an environment completely different from the urban gallery space. The proximity to nature and the seclusion has contributed to a prestigious and inspiring atmosphere. In addition to the exhibitions, the gallery artists have also stayed at Hellvi Kännungs during periods of work and relaxation.

*Opening Saturday July 20, 2–6 pm. Welcome!*

We are open Saturday–Sunday 2–6 pm (July 20, 21, 27, 28) and by appointment on +46 708 10 69 06. Please follow us on Instagram for updates @gallerimagnuskarlsson

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