

# Kunsthalle Zürich

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**Henrik Olesen**

**Copies of real-life objects, tools and food**

13.06.–06.09.2026

Exhibition opening: Friday 12 June 2026, 6–9 pm

Zurich Art Weekend: 12–14 June 2026



Henrik Olesen, *Food chain incl prehistoric animals*, Den Frie, 2025. Image: David Stjernholm

We are delighted to draw your attention to our forthcoming exhibition from Berlin-based artist Henrik Olesen, *Copies of real-life objects, tools and food*. The show will occupy both floors of Kunsthalle Zürich, combining existing works with a series of new works created for the exhibition.

This is Olesen's first solo exhibition in Zürich for nearly two decades and is curated by Fanny Hauser. The exhibition opening takes place on Friday 12 June from 6–9 pm in the context of Zurich Art Weekend.

### **Press tour**

Friday 12 June 2026, 11.40 am–12.20 pm

Use [this link](#) to register for the full Zurich Art Weekend press programme throughout the city, including press lunch at Löwenbräukunst on Friday 12 June.

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## Image

Henrik Olesen, *Food chain incl prehistoric animals*, Den Frie, 2025

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## Publication

A monograph accompanying the exhibition with new essays by Annie Ochmanek and Dieter Roelstraete is planned for publication by DISTANZ in autumn/winter 2026.

## Artist's biography

Henrik Olesen (b. 1967 in Denmark, lives in Berlin). In his work Olesen addresses questions about identity, language, the body and their construction to describe relations of power and social norms. His solo exhibitions include shows at Kunstmuseum Liechtenstein (2025), Den Frie, Copenhagen (2025), Reina Sofia, Madrid (2019), Wattis Institute, San Francisco (2017), Museum Ludwig/Wolfgang-Hahn-Prize, Cologne (2012), MoMA, New York (2011). Group exhibitions include: Bienal de São Paulo (2018, 2017), *Slip of the Tongue*, Punta della Dogana, Venice (2015), La Biennale di Venezia (2013), *Ghosts in the Machine*, New Museum, New York (2012), and *Counter Production*, Generali Foundation, Vienna (2012).

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