The Art of Transformation

Transformations of machines and tools play a central role in our collective imagination. The group exhibition *Metamorphosis Overdrive* examines these changes and transformations of everyday things and technical forms and their significance in the present. The exhibition brings together works by eight international artists.

A car headlight suddenly assumes a face and seems to look at the viewer. The boundaries between human and machine, life and mechanical functioning are becoming blurred. *Metamorphosis Overdrive* focuses on this ambivalent and at the same time symbiotic relationship.

The exhibition examines our consumer society’s obsession with objects, questions their appeal, and reveals their potential for frustration. Despite their cool aesthetic and standardized, industrial appearance, the sculptures establish an emotional and poetic relationship with the viewer. For Camille Blatrix, for example, this dynamic of attraction and repulsion is what is fascinating: “All subjects, even technical objects, are about emotion. For example, iPhones are super scary, but at the same time, super sexy. I’m interested in this contrast.”


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**Exhibition dates**

7 March – 6 September 2020
Kunstmuseum St. Gallen

**Press conference**
Fri., 6 March 2020
11 a.m.

**Exhibition opening**
Fri., 6 March 2020
6:30 p.m.

**Opening hours**
Tue. – Sun.: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Wed.: 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.

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Yngve Holen, *Hotte Tallicht*, 2016, courtesy of the artist and Galerie Neu, Berlin
Fact sheet

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**Admission**
- Single admission, regular price: CHF 12.00
- Pensioners: CHF 10.00
- Vocational, school, and university students: CHF 6.00
- Members of the Kunstverein St. Gallen: Free

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Pictures, I think
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Until 16 February 2020 | Kunstmuseum St. Gallen

Iman Issa
Surrogates
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Siobhán Hapaska
8 February — 21 June 2020 | Lokremise

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Geta Brătescu
L’art c’est un jeu sérieux
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Perspectives on the Collection
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Adrian Schiess
Painting 1980–2020
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Ei Arakawa, Christoph Büchel, Bob Gramsma, Alex Hanimann, Sara Masüger, Jessica Stockholder
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