Oldenburger Kunstverein

Lea von Wintzingerode NOTES ON RADICAL LOVE 13.05. – 31.07.2022

The exhibition "notes on radical love" features new paintings and sound works by Lea von Wintzingerode, reflecting on love as an expression of a collective gesture.

The exhibition is based on the concept of love ('radical love' after Lewis Gordon) which comprehends love as an ongoing social relation that is shaped by all processes of material life. The exhibition invites us to question what it means to love in a society characterized by extreme individualism. The artist combines scenes and details partly based on personal experience and partly on collective memory with portraits referring to people of underground music and pop culture as well as to the influence of the *écriture feminine* up to the present.

Divided into different groups and deliberately juxtaposed with colored light or darkness, Lea von Wintzingerode shows a wall work with collages of found footage as well as paintings on canvas. The work "public speech" (2021), for instance, depicts a painted scene from the memory of a film set in which a group of women exchange on the practice of public speaking. Corresponding to this, two sound works are installed separately in the space, as well as a group of paintings focus on the topic of radical love as a state of unconditional acknowledgement of social, sexual and ethnic differences, as well as the permanent recreation of social space. Love here is meant as a process of breaking with the impossibility of loving.

Lea von Wintzingerode was born in Bayreuth in 1990. She studied at the Academy of Fine Arts, Vienna and the University of Fine Arts, Hamburg. In 2016 she graduated with a Master of Fine Arts degree under Prof. Jutta Koether. She lives and works in Berlin.

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