## ALMA

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## ZANE TUČA

Everything will be okay.

Soon, flowers and grass will grow and you will be in them...

and that's beautiful.

Above the lakes, above the vales, The mountains and the woods, the clouds, the seas, Beyond the sun, beyond the ether, Beyond the confines of the starry spheres,

Whereof our mortal eyes, in their fullest brightness, Are no more than tarnished, mournful mirrors!

Charles Baudelaire Les Fleurs du mal, 1857

Zane Tuča's new exhibition title is taken from the Icelandic film Godland (Vanskabte land, 2022) by Hlynur Pálmason.

Earthworm is crawling on a stone. A little boy puts the stone on top of another stone so that they are balanced. Time flows slowly as a river. The wind blows over it all, forming mountains and valleys where men set up white tents.

A range of association that is close to the archetype of Zane Tuča's painting. A serene Nordic flow of time, a wild existential beauty of nature reduced to symbolic matter. With a sharp HB pencil, laying line upon line, the paintings take months to complete, slowly and meticulously.

The motifs Zane takes from nature. Landscapes of Latvian forests, evergreens, trees, trunk, roots, Norwegian rocks and waterfalls. The new exhibition will feature a monumental work depicting the first frost-stricken sunflower in an open endless field.

## Zane Tuča (1989)

Graduated from Jānis Rozentāls Riga Art Secondary School, MA at the Painting Department of the Latvian Academy of Fine Arts, Antwerp Royal Academy of Fine Arts. Since 2013 Zane Tuča has been collaborating with ALMA. This will be her fifth exhibition at the gallery.

Selected exhibitions

How I've Been Feeling Lately, Pauls Stradiņš Medicine History Museum, Riga, Latvia (2023)
Bruno Vasiļevskis P. S., Cēsis, Latvia (2022)
GALERIJA ALMA @ PADURES MUIŽA, Latvia (2021)
Spriedze, Arsenāls, Rīga, Latvia (2016)
Lielāks miers, mazāks miers, Latvian Railway History
Museum, Rīga, Latvia (2015)
Patība. Latvian contemporary art history, National
Library of Latvia, Rīga, Latvia (2015)
Young Painter Prize (winner), Contemporary Art
Center, Vilnius, Lithuania (2013)

Zane Tuča works are in the collection of the Latvian National Museum of Art, the National Museum of Lithuania and the Zuzāns Collection.

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