

The art fair "Handi-Art" celebrates 20 years with razor-sharp focus on unique outsider art

Næstved Cultural Association invites to a bang of an anniversary party when "Handi-Art 2022" takes place on the 24th to 26th of August in Gamle Ridehus on Grønnegade 10 in Næstved. Here, the audience has since 2003 been treated to a wide selection of exciting outsider art from both home and abroad, but this time the expectations have been raised even higher: "Handi-Art 2022" is both an anniversary *and* a closing party. More specifically, it is the very last art fair arranged by Næstved Cultural Association before the association closes at the end of the year, and lots of cultural festivity, varied art and high spirits are guaranteed. In other words, we want to finish in style!

The art fair "Handi-Art" is the only one of its kind in Denmark and has for the last 20 years been a recurring tradition, which has attracted a multitude of both Danish and foreign exhibitors to Næstved. With outsider art in focus, "Handi-Art" prides itself on having presented artists from as many as 21 different countries over time.

This year, art from Germany, Spain and Poland will be exhibited, as well as works created by artists from around Denmark. The local group "Kvisten" also exhibits their art, which is primarily based on Næstved's landmarks.

The fair has made a name for itself - both locally, nationally and on the international scene - as it offers something quite unique. Here, artists with a disability can exhibit their works for free, establish artistic collaborations and form friendships across languages, national borders and handicaps. With "Handi-Art" as a stepping stone, several Danish artists have been invited to exhibit abroad, and this exchange is to the great joy and benefit of the individual artist but is certainly also beneficial to cultural life in general.

Come and take part in experiencing and celebrating Næstved Cultural Association's very last "Handi-Art" and meet the many artists and all the volunteers. Enjoy raw outsider art in abundance and have a cultural experience beyond the usual - let's end with a bang!

The grand opening will take place on Wednesday 24th of August at 11.00-13.00 where Carsten Rasmussen, mayor of Næstved municipality, gives the opening speech and cuts the ribbon. Find us on Grønnegade 10 on Wednesday the 24th, Thursday the 25th and Friday the 26th of August from 10:00-17:00.

FREE ADMISSION