

Title: **Ankomst - The Debut Exhibition from SIIKU**

Opening days: **August 16 - 20, 2018**

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Place: **Artra Gallery**

Address: **Vesterbrogade 171,**

**1800 Frederiksberg C,**

**Copenhagen, Denmark**

## Art Project Spreads Hope and Awareness with Seaweed

**A new art project focused on the climate crisis will debut with the exhibition *Ankomst* (ENG: Arrival) at Artra Gallery in Copenhagen next week.**

A new Danish-Greenlandic art project will put focus on the climate crisis through photography, light installations and seaweed, when they debut with the exhibition *Ankomst* (ENG: Arrival) at Artra Gallery in Copenhagen next week, followed by three days of activities.

SIIKU was established in 2017 by Rasmus Nielsen (born 1984 in Lyngby, Denmark) and David H. Péronard (born 1981 in Nuuk, Greenland). Its name inspired by the Greenlandic word for ice (*siku*), SIIKU is an art project on a mission to create solidarity and spread hope in a world dominated by climate crisis and rising inequality.

The exhibition offers a plethora of activities involving artists connected to SIIKU. Visitors will experience poetry performances by Silja E.K. Henderson and Claus Ankersen, will be invited to participate in meditation, and will get a research-based status on the climate crisis.

Artworks featured in the exhibition revolve around contrasting materials and their paradoxical union, when the artists mix digital technology and organic materials with obsolete, artificial “new nature” items such as ocean plastics.

The project is born from the desire to create an alternative to the paralyzing fear for the future of the planet, as experienced by the artists, and in its place aim to build a new foundation of solidarity, as symbolized in the unity of contrasting materials.

*Ankomst* (ENG: Arrival) is created from the principles in the SIIKU Manifesto, which will also be disclosed at the debut exhibition.

### Programme:

- August 16, 5-8 PM: Show Opening, Poetry performance by Claus Ankersen, Manifesto release
- August 17, 4-9 PM: Friday Social Bar, Poetry reading by Silja E.K. Henderson, Jacob Hallgren, DJs Kampai Bakas
- August 18, 11 AM - 4 PM: Meditation and Science talks

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