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**Press Release**

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## *Yesterday. Today. Tomorrow.* *Museum of Contemporary Art 25 years*

**Opening**

Friday 29 January 6 p.m.

Speeches by Birgitte Kirkhoff Eriksen / Birgit Pedersen. Performance by Olof Olsson. Music by Roskilde Garden / Monkey Cup Dress

**Exhibition Period**

30 January – 8 May 2016



*Yesterday. Today. Tomorrow.*, is an anniversary exhibition in an unconventional format. It is an alternative encounter with our collection that not only uncovers and celebrates what has been – the museum's 25 year history – but also its role and vision for the future.

The exhibition is curated by five contemporary Danish artists; Hannah Heilmann, Kenneth A. Balfelt, Claus Haxholm, Rolf Nowotny and Olof Olsson. Each of them has delved into our collection and archives and focused on the aspects of the museum they consider relevant today. Through the eyes of the artists the collection becomes both a tribute to the past, a revival of a certain moment in time, a question of the exhibition format itself and an attempt to actualise the museum's future role. At the same time the anniversary is an occasion to discuss the role of the museum institution today and how we might think its form and relevance in society.

The exhibition is the first one in this year's programme and marks a new direction in the history of the museum: a new profile with annual themes, a new "look" and a changed role as a *social agent*. This year's theme is "ON THE MOVE" – partly because the anniversary exhibition is about a museum "moving forward" to something new, and partly because the rest of this year's exhibitions focus on issues of migration.

To mark the anniversary and to frame the new profile the museum has been brushed up. The open "M" in our new logo reflects our vision to be an inclusive museum – a museum that takes part in society working with social, cultural and environmental challenges that affect our present and future.

To celebrate the anniversary we throw an opening party on Friday January 29. Birthday cake & cava will be served from 6 p.m. followed by a performance by Olof Olsson and music by Roskilde Garden and the duo Monkey Cup Dress. From 9 p.m. till midnight the party continues at Husarstalden. Everybody is welcome.

Exhibition concept by Rasmus Holmboe, Tine Seligmann & Birgitte Kirkhoff Eriksen.

The exhibition has been realised with support from the Danish Arts Foundation.



On the first Wednesday of every month we hold public guided tours from 6-7 p.m. The first one on February 3 will be lead by Museum Director Birgitte Kirkhoff Eriksen introducing the new exhibition.

New extended Opening Hours: Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 12 noon-5 p.m., Wednesday 12 noon-8 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

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