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PRESS RELEASE:**Sergei Sviatchenko - YOU**

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The exhibition YOU presents works by the Danish-Ukrainian artist Sergei Sviatchenko. The internationally acclaimed Viborg-based artist has over the past 25 years had numerous solo and group exhibitions both in Denmark, USA, Canada and most of Europe, most recently including Gestalten Art Space in Berlin and Museumsquartier Vienna in Austria.

Sviatchenko is originally trained in art and architecture at the Kharkov Art Academy in Ukraine and has a Ph.D. from the School of Architecture in Kiev, Ukraine. In 1990 he moved to Denmark and has since lived and worked in Viborg. In 2002, he founded *Senko Studio*, a non-profit exhibition space in Viborg, Denmark, where for seven years he curated shows by emerging artists and photographers. In 2009, he founded the art project *Close Up and Private*, an ongoing photo art project, with a contemporary look at style, fashion and classic details.

The exhibition YOU shows the evolution in Sviatchenko's methodology, with influences that include modernism, constructivism, surrealism and rock music. It shows the relationship in his artistic work, and stresses how his work in various media overlap and influence each other. In six different media: painting, collage, textile, photography, film and sculpture, the exhibition presents the spatial thinking by the artist. The focus of the exhibition is 'the line' and all art works by Sviatchenko in various ways revolve around this - in the meeting between the horizontal and vertical connection. A kind of core system in each work, built from scratch, by relating to the physical limitations around us.

In relation to the exhibition a richly illustrated catalog is produced.

The exhibition opens on Thursday 16 March at 6.30 pm with opening speech by curator Helene Nyborg Bay.

Between 6.00 and 6.30 pm the Danish band Astronaut will play.

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