

Modern Art With Paper

Karla Black at the 57th Biennale in Venice



"Viva Arte Viva" at the Venice Biennale Arte until 27 November 2017



with some hints: *"Karla Black's abstract sculptures explore the physical experience of the materials used, which she conceives of as a means to convey an awareness of tangible reality. She has created a site-specific sculpture that unfolds in the space upwards. On the floor, a layer of fine pink powder gradually turns into a warmer shade of peach tinted talc powder before dissolving into a white pure chalky matter. As the gaze moves upwards, the work changes in consistency, becoming softer and more palpable through the use of rolled cotton wool. The same white, pink and orange color pattern appears higher up on the cellophane. Surrounding the slim ascending figure, the artist gathers multiple sugar paper sculptures that bang in several layers at different heights, all featuring similar color variation schemes. The viewer is invited to approach the work (without touching it), and perceive the intrinsic energy of the materials, unencumbered by any commercial consideration in the selection of the elements of the installation."*

Axel Fischer

Another way to use paper: transform it into art! The Glasgow based artist Karla Black, born 1972 in Alexandria, Scotland, was chosen to exhibit at the central Biennale event in the Arsenale in Venice. In the "Padiglione della Terra", the pavilion of earth, this year's curator Christine Macel has put together "an eclectic mix of young bright stars of the industry" (Sleek). With large, floor-scale based installations, she already represented Scotland at the 54th Venice Biennale in 2011.

For those who have difficulties to interpret the artist's motives, there is a table

<https://universes.art/de/biennale-venedig/2017/viva-arte-viva/>

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