

SCHWARZ CONTEMPORARY

ANNA RETULAINEN - Muisto

3 July - 1 August 2026

We are delighted to announce the exhibition *Muisto* by Anna Retulainen: The Finnish painter's first solo exhibition at SCHWARZ CONTEMPORARY will open on 2 July, from 6-8 pm, at Marburger Straße 3, Berlin-Charlottenburg.

The exhibition *Muisto* ('memory') brings together new works on canvas, aluminium, and wood by Anna Retulainen, in which, as the exhibition title suggests, memory is the central theme. At times, they are fragile fragments of recollection, which Retulainen gradually brings back into focus piece by piece. At the same time, she invites viewers to engage with their own memories within the reception of her richly coloured compositions.

The dense, multilayered palette acts captivating and, little by little, figurative forms begin to emerge from the paintings. In *Corbezzolo (Villa Iris)*, for example, it is only upon closer inspection that the faint outlines of the craters of Mount Vesuvius, near Naples, become visible in the distance through delicate linear marks. As is characteristic of Retulainen's work, her strong choice of colour and often impasto application of paint, appearing at first almost arbitrary before revealing itself to be carefully and precisely composed, creates a powerful visual experience.

Anna Retulainen (born 1969 in Orimattila, Finland) is regarded as one of the most influential artists in contemporary Finnish art. Since 1995, her work has been presented in numerous solo and group exhibitions at galleries and institutions and is held in many public and private collections. In 2018, Retulainen's paintings were among the first contemporary artworks to be permanently installed in the Finnish Presidential Palace.

The solo show *Anna Retulainen - Muisto* will be on view at SCHWARZ CONTEMPORARY from 3 July through 1 August 2026.

For further information, please contact us at mail@schwarz-contemporary.com.

Opening hours: Wednesday-Friday, 12-6 pm; Saturday, 12-4 pm

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