

Søren Hüttel: "€-VSN"

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Room 1









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Translation: "FUN FACT! Did you know that Stardust Casino in Las Vegas closed and was demolished the same day Art Basel 37 opened in Switzerland in 2006?"

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Press:

I grew up in the 80s and 90s and the television – it was called television at that time - was often the nanny while the orange curtains were drawn and the foil tray chicken was cooking in the oven. We watched “Dynasty” quite a bit. Therefore, I like TV from then. There is sentimentality to that. But it's also fun today. ALF is fun. Although the series has gone bad over time ALF is still fun. ALF is old photos ... and old pictures they keep getting new meaning. A Windows XP background image is nice...even if it means something different today. It has got a new story - like ALF. But only for those who know it. The rest don't care.

I like pictures and images of pictures and images of ideas of how something should look, as we have seen it through pictures.

So images of culture is interesting to play with. You can look at the culture - the culture of images - and rotate it, reflect it, distort it and restore it. The output is a new image.

There are many images we recognize. Freud would probably have said that sometimes a palm tree is just a palm tree. I don't think so. A palm tree might not even be a palm tree and a palm tree is not just a palm tree when viewed from afar. Not at all when you see it with “€ -vsn”. Then a new sentimentality arises when the new is old and the old is new and things might not even be what they appear to be.

Perhaps it is a very personal angle. You surely remember X-Files but you don't remember it as I do. Maybe it's a lie and maybe it was not a palm tree or ALF or Mulder and Scully or an old Las Vegas casino. Maybe it was an ALF costume, a thought or something that looked like something it was not.

Maybe it's all on it's own, as sentimentality - and ALF - is not the same for all people.