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Klara Liden is the winner of blauorange 2010

The winner of the art prize of the German Cooperative Banks blauorange 2010 has been selected: Klara Liden will receive the prize of 20,000 Euros. The prizewinner exhibition will take place at Bonner Kunstverein, and a catalog will be published to accompany the show.

Liden was born in Stockholm in 1979, and lives and works in Berlin. She studied architecture and art in Stockholm and Berlin. In her installations using found materials, she conquers media and sites. Her suggestions for a simpler life resist all norms and expectations. In her performances and video works, the passionate rebel fascinates spectators with her androgyny. She breaks through social conditioning with great energy and a punk attitude. Liden refers to herself as a poor architect, or alternatively as an amateur dancer: on Berlin's Spree, she transformed an old bunker into freely accessible living space, in her most famous video *Paralysed* (2003) she dances wildly and awkwardly through the Stockholm subway.

The other candidates nominated by the jury for the art prize of the German Cooperative Banks were Simon Denny, Petrit Halilaj, and Nora Schultz. A publication with texts about the artists and illustrations of their works will appear in late July. The jury, headed by Veit Loers, included six representatives from Kunstvereine: Meike Behm (Kunstverein Lingen), Kathrin Jentjens (Kölnischer Kunstverein), Frank Motz (ACC Weimar), Katja Schroeder (Westfälischer Kunstverein), Thomas Thiel (Bielefelder Kunstverein), Christina Végh (Bonner Kunstverein).

The prize will be awarded to Klara Liden at Bonner Kunstverein on November 18, 2010. The prizewinning exhibition, curated by Christiane Rekade, will be opened that same evening, and will be on view until January 16, 2011.

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awarded in 2007 to Danh Vo. The winner in 2008 was Kitty Kraus,
and Björn Braun was the prizewinner in 2009.

For more information as well as a portrait of Klara Linden available
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