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EVERYDAY KONSTHALL

- Intersection of art and everyday life



Gothenburg has a strong art atmosphere and various art activities such as the cultural night. However, open urban art spaces are scarce here. Citizens feel it not easy to access art in daily life, and young artists or small private galleries find it hard to survive.

This master thesis aims to explore how a konsthall break the boundary between art space and communal space, as well as to provide more open studios for rising young artists. Intersecting everyday life with art helps citizens have more spiritual activities, and helps start-up artists get enough public attention. The konsthall will be designed at the site located near HAGA, which is one of the oldest communities in Gothenburg and has become a favorite meeting place for citizens and tourists. Around the site is a unified traditional brick building context. The project tries to combine concrete and bricks to design a konsthall which can be an active communal place but with pure art atmosphere.

This thesis will be explored in the following order. The first is the research on relevant situations in Gothenburg, especially around the site. Current art spaces will be investigated and mapped, including how existing

konsthall buildings are designed, what kind of daily activities happens at the site, and what is the architectural context at the site. The second is about the strategies of design. What makes it everyday? This will be considered from site, volume, facade, program etc. The interaction between exhibition hall and public functions is one key strategy. The third part is the tectonics of the konsthall. Research on bricks and concrete would be done to find the best solution that responses the context and displays art perfectly.

The result is a mix-used konsthall with concrete as structure but bricks as the skin. The project would provide citizens and artists a high-quality meeting and working place, and can be regarded as a new landmark architecture of modernism in Gothenburg.

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