

**Camila Oliveira Fairclough**  
**Un jardin d'hiver**

Kasia Michalski and Urs von Unger have the pleasure to announce their second collaborative exhibition held at the Urs von Unger Gallery in Saanen / Gstaad, Switzerland: the solo exhibition by Paris-based, Brazilian-born Camila Oliveira Fairclough, "Un jardin d'hiver" ("A Winter Garden").

Consciously drawing from the avant-garde traditions of her native Brazil and alluding to Hélio Oiticica's seminal "penetrable" installations such as Tropicália (1967) and Eden (1969), Oliveira Fairclough simultaneously refers to Marcel Broodthaers' oeuvre of the same title, first presented in 1974 at the Palais des Beaux Arts in Brussels.

A selection of her text-based and abstract paintings is staged in an environment adorned with potted palm trees and other 'exotic' plants. The site-specificity of the exhibition builds on the strong contrast between the artist's (neo)conceptual, modernist esthetic and the exhibition venue, located in a historic house at the heart of the Alps.

**Camila Oliveira Fairclough** (born in 1979 in Rio de Janeiro) lives and works in Paris, where she graduated from the Ecole Nationale Supérieure des Beaux-Arts. Her paintings and prints refer to the history of abstract art, ready-made, concrete and visual poetry from her native Brazil, as well as pop and conceptual art. Adopting texts from posters, advertising banners, product packaging, or songs and conversations, she reduces them to their visual essence. The artist creates works which utilize letters, words and signs as graphic motifs, treated similarly to forms and colors. Deconstructing the boundaries between abstraction and figuration, her works introduce a tension between the visible and the readable, bringing to the limelight the issues behind the signification, the visual representation and the sound quality of words.

**Opening: Thursday, January 11th, from 5 to 7 pm**

Urs von Unger Gallery, Kleines Landhaus, Dorfstrasse 71, CH-3792 Saanen / Gstaad

The exhibition will last until February 4th, 2018

**Opening hours:** Tuesday - Saturday, from 1 pm to 6 pm, Sunday, from 2 pm to 5 pm, and by appointment

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