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PRESS RELEASE

*The Vulgarly of Being Three-Dimensional*  
by Tine Bek  
Photobook

Disko Bay is proud to present *'The Vulgarly of Being Three-Dimensional'* an immersive new book of works by Danish photographic artist Tine Bek. In this her first monograph Bek tries to escape strict hierarchical structures through a series of aesthetic experiments. The book presents images of shapes that run over, flow, crumble and bulge out. An excess of uncontrolled forms that in the sculptural tradition have been dismissed as vulgar or possibly baroque.

*"Vulgarity, from the Latin term vulgus, was the term for common people, an insinuation of the ordinary. We consider the vulgar to be crude, below our station, brash, crass, rough – terms that are charged with ill interest, with gall, with remorse. What if vulgar was not a bad thing at all, merely a removal of a mask. The slipperiness of expectation slinking away?"* - Words from the text 'Within the commonality lies the sparkling truth' by Isabella Rose Celeste Davey

The book is a mix of still life, other found forms and created sculptural forms photographed. Fruit, material, fabric and figures are brought together and changed by subtle shades of colour. Bek's photography tend to seem uneasy, as if something might go wrong. Her images impose a sense of discomfort, little cracks beneath the surface. It is through these minutiae ruptures in the surfaces she exposes that a material hierarchy forms – is marble better than foam? Does a stone fountain overshadow a bathroom tap? – she asks you to scratch through the surface and to see what's behind.

#### ABOUT THE ARTIST

Tine Bek (born in 1988) is a Danish visual artist who primarily works with video and photography. She studied History before graduated from Fatamorgana – The Danish School of art Photography and Glasgow School of Art, where she holds a Master degree in Fine Art Photography. Bek has exhibited in Denmark, UK, Norway, Lithuania, Germany and USA among others. The book has been awarded with the Hasselblad Foundation's Photo Book Grant 2021.'

#### ABOUT DISKO BAY

Disko Bay is an independent photobook publisher based in Copenhagen, Denmark. We focus on talented photographers and Fine Art photography and are dedicated to exploring the possibilities of photography on paper. Disko Bay works closely together with photographers, designers and print makers to curate and craft unique books in very limited print runs. Our aim is to promote Danish photographers on the international scene of photography and in the world of photobooks. Disko Bay is the first publisher in Denmark to focus exclusively on this art genre.

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