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Mark Barker

Whole Property

2 May – 13 June 2026

Opening 1 May, 6–9 pm

Press release

Shahin Zarinbal is delighted to present Mark Barker's solo exhibition *Whole Property*, opening on 1 May as part of Gallery Weekend Berlin.

In this new sequence of works, Barker looks at how bodily needs are controlled and delineated. Fenced enclosures, houses, and toilets recur as motifs, all implying restricted movement in some way; letting things in and keeping things out. The figure appears too, as a container for a portion of chocolate. These works refer to private situations where the body tries and fails to contain itself; where its needs become unavoidable.

Mark Barker was born in Hertfordshire, UK in 1983. He has a multifaceted approach to making, working between drawing, painting, photography, video, and sculpture. In his work different mediums coalesce, inform and agitate one another.

Biography

Mark Barker is an artist living and working in Berlin. Mark studied at the Slade School of Fine Art, London. Exhibitions include: *Mark Barker, Alice Hattrick, Libuše Jarcovjáčová, Zuzana Šrámková*, Cursor Gallery, Center for Contemporary Arts, Prague, 2024-2025 (g), *The Breath of a House is the Sound of Voices Within*, Akademie der Künste, Berlin, 2024 (g), *Are you more*, Between Bridges, Berlin, 2024 (s), *Zürich Biennale*, Kunsthalle Zürich, 2023 (g), *Stone Soup* (with Terence McCormack), Roland Ross, Margate, 2022 (two-person), *Happy Hour*, Zarinbal Khoshbakht, Cologne, 2021 (s), *Fly, Robin Fly*, Mécènes du Sud Montpellier-Sète, Montpellier, 2021 (g). In 2022, Mark was artist in residence at the Villa Serpentara/Villa Massimo in Olevano/Rome, Italy, for which he was selected by the Akademie der Künste, Berlin. Mark will have a solo exhibition at LC Queisser, Tbilisi, opening in September 2026.

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