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## Alina Sinivaara GOAL! 25.4. – 13.5.2017

My works deal with images connected to sports, especially to football. I paint in an expressive style football fields and stadiums, billboards, football nets and goals, football outfits and balls. I see football with its universal language and the interaction and cooperation in team sports as a commentary of the present. The communality of football, fair play, the global nature of the game and the thematics of victory interest me.

Topics for my works are drawn from nearby. This time my son's football hobby gave the incentive. His football practices, games and tournaments by and large determine the daily routines of our family. I am in the middle of a new environment, which appears somewhat alien but at the same time intriguing. As a painter I wish to plunge into a task outside my own skills and knowledge. Situating oneself as interpreter in the world of men, i.e. sports, is inspiring and crosses conventional boundaries.

I have also previously acquainted myself with the imagery of the masculine. When I was familiarizing myself with technical devices, airplanes and construction equipment, I suddenly realized how gender-based the imagery is. The world of football is brand new to me. It is exciting to paint something that is not known to you.

That said, I do not want to demarcate the themes too much, but rather leave space for the viewers to make their own interpretations. Certain surprise element is always present in my artistic expression and not all people would see the same things in my semi-abstract works. A painting is a trip whose destination I do not know beforehand.

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