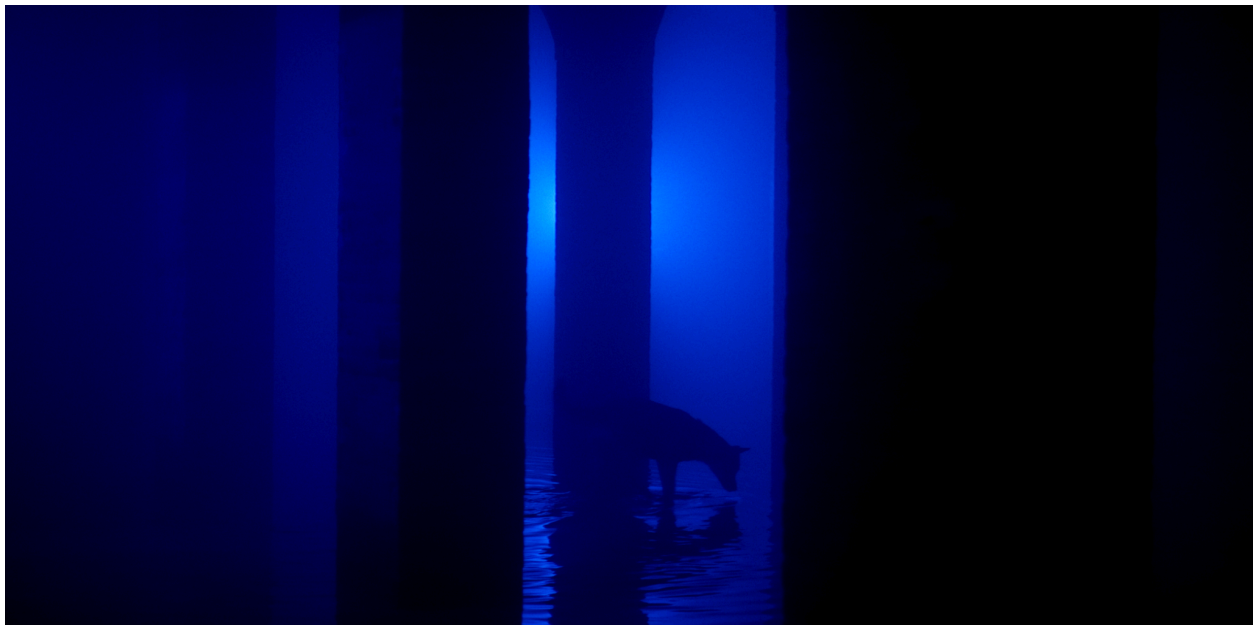


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Institute of Contemporary Art, San Diego presents SUPERFLEX: Beyond the End of the World

As part of ICA San Diego's 2024 *Interface* season, *Beyond the End of the World* is on view at ICA San Diego North in Encinitas now through July 28, 2024



Beyond The End Of The World, 2021. Still image. Photo: SUPERFLEX

ENCINITAS, Calif. (January 20, 2024) —The celebrated Danish art collective SUPERFLEX was founded in 1993 by Jakob Fenger, Bjørnstjerne Christiansen, and Rasmus Rosengren Nielsen. Working with an extensive network of collaborators from within and outside of the art world, SUPERFLEX investigates alternative systems of social and economic organization. Over the years their works have taken the form of energy systems,

beverages, sculptures, hypnosis sessions, paintings, plant nurseries, contracts, and public spaces.

For their exhibition at Institute of Contemporary Art San Diego's (ICA San Diego) North campus in Encinitas, SUPERFLEX presents work that emphasize interspecies living—a category of SUPERFLEX's project development that solicits the participation of other species, considering the perspectives of plants and animals. The exhibition includes the two-channel film installation, *Beyond the End of the World* (2021), which offers a mysterious glimpse of a post-Anthropocene future. A site-specific ceramic installation produced in collaboration with the ICA ceramics lab draws on imagery from the film and is on view in our Artist Pavilion. *Beyond the End of the World* is also the first exhibition at ICA San Diego / North to span the entire Encinitas campus.

“SUPERFLEX's ability to distill humanity's most pressing challenges into an accessible visual language is what makes them such an ideal fit for our *Interface* season. The directness in their approach to both art making and their subject matter ultimately results in projects that resonate with visitors,” says Dr. Jordan Karney Chaim, Curator of ICA San Diego.

- **WHO:** ICA San Diego presents *SUPERFLEX: Beyond the End of the World*
- **WHAT:** *SUPERFLEX: Beyond the End of the World*
- **WHEN:** Now - June 2, 2024 (Education Pavilion) / Now - July 28, 2024 (Artists Pavilion)
- **WHERE:** ICA San Diego / North, 1550 S El Camino Real, Encinitas, CA 92024

“The works in the exhibition are part of a circular process of creation and destruction, creating a closed loop of production and consumption,” says Jakob Fenger, co-founder of SUPERFLEX. “We are very pleased that ICA and the team helped us close the circle and made this new work possible.” *Beyond the End of the World* is part of ICA's 2024 season, *Interface*.

The exhibition opening reception took place on Saturday, January 20, as part of ICA San Diego's monthly C You Saturday! events. In an effort to reduce barriers to contemporary art, these events and exhibitions held at ICA San Diego / North in Encinitas and ICA San Diego / Central in Balboa Park include complimentary admission.

MEDIA RESOURCES

- [Exhibition Images](#) (Photo credit: Philipp Scholz Rittermann)
- [Exhibition Opening images](#) (Photo credit: Javier Luna)
- [Artists in Conversation discussion on YouTube](#) (1/20/24 feat. **Dr. Jordan Karney Chaim**, Curator of ICA San Diego; **SUPERFLEX** co-founder **Jakob Fenger**; Professor of Public Culture and Urbanism in the Visual Arts Department at the University of California San Diego, and Director of Urban Research in the UCSD Center on Global Justice, **Teddy Cruz**; and climate activist and Professor of Psychology at the University of California, San Diego, **Adam Aron**)
- **ICA San Diego podcast episode, feat. SUPERFLEX – coming soon**

For more information, visit www.icasandiego.org.

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About Interface 2024-2025

For its 2024 season, the Institute of Contemporary Art, San Diego celebrates the region as a hub of boundary pushing innovation in both art and the life sciences. *Interface*, the collective title for the 2024-2025 exhibition season, invites audiences to consider how art can mediate, translate, and expand the relationship between humans and the science of everyday life. In addition to ICA San Diego's annual NextGen exhibition celebrating local emerging talent, the *Interface* season will consist of six exhibitions spread over ICA's two campuses in Balboa Park and Encinitas. ICA hosts free monthly public C You Saturday! events with exclusive access to artist talks, exhibition tours, food and music.

About Institute of Contemporary Art San Diego

ICA San Diego is a living laboratory for expanding the transformational power of art to build vibrant communities. Founded in 2021, yet built on over 100 years of combined experience, our programming is cutting edge yet accessible; daring and thoughtful; challenging and inviting. Our exhibitions, installations, commissions, classes, and workshops reflect ICA San Diego's commitment to engage the issues of the moment and provide a space for the community to come together and consider the world in which we live. ICA San Diego welcomes everyone to gather, learn, question, and experience the new. There is no admission fee to visit our exhibitions, and donations are welcome. To help ICA San Diego reduce barriers to contemporary art, visit <https://icasandiego.org/donate/>.

ICA San Diego / Central is located at 1439 El Prado in Balboa Park, and ICA San Diego / North is located at 1550 S. El Camino Real in Encinitas.