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- Sverre Bjertnæs was highly influenced by realistic painter Odd Nerdrum, although he now merges figurative and abstract painting
- Mid-career overview of the work of one of the leading contemporary Norwegian artists today
- The development of the artist is covered over 14 chapters, comprising work and exhibition views

Sverre Bjertnæs is considered one of the leading contemporary Norwegian artists today. He himself often refers to his body of works as a fragmented 'stream of images' collected from art history, vernacular culture and his own life.

This authoritative monograph on the artist features his oeuvre from the 1990s to the present day, with more than 200 illustrations. The book presents the full range of Bjertnæs's works, covering painting and drawing as well as sculpture and the tableaux installations he has developed in later years. Bjertnæs embraces the conceptual approaches of photorealism as well as merging figurative and abstract painting, and experimenting with the use of new media.

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