

URŠKA MEDVED WON THE AWARD IN SWEDEN

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OTGO student from Textile and Fashion Design department **Urška Medved** took part in student exchange programme **ERASMUS+** in study year 2017/18 in Sweden. In the time of her exchange she won first prize in young artist's competition **OLGA BIRGFELTS KONSPRIS 2018**.

Second term of her third year of bachelor studies Urška Medved accomplished at the **University of Gothenburg, HDK – Academy of Design and Crafts, Textile – Body – Space** department. With her work in progress **HOME SWEET HOME** she has applied for the competition Olga Birgfest konstpris intended for young artists. Competition took place in Bengtsforsh kommun. In total amount of nineteen applicants she won **first price**.

Project Home Sweet Home was a project made as a part of weaving and knitting course. Her concept was about home and limitations connected to it. She has chosen to hand weave and went away from borders that looms can provide you. As a material she has chosen to work with textile yarns with addition of metal yarns and wires as well as with plaster. The big part of her project was also the connection of an artist and artwork. She locked herself in the box and changed primary shape of the artwork with her body movement. The box became limitation itself, artist a trapped body and the performance the process of dealing with limitations.

Project took part at student exhibition **UNDERVERK** in **Galleri Hammagasinet in city of Varberg** where the performance was also a part of opening ceremony.

The project is ongoing work in progress.



I believe there are two sorts of home.
The home you were born into.
And the one you feel as home.
The first can be burden.
The cage you want to escape.
I wanted to escape.
It came after me.
I cannot escape the roots.
They will always be with me.
But I can transform them.
I can change their shape to suit me.
Home is where I am.



