

## <!- Dear Future -->

Year: 2018

Medium: Webpage with infraread HD video 41 min, text message Embedded as inactive code within the webpage's source code.

<!— Dear Future --> is an online work and a message to a future artificial superintelligence. If artificial intelligence continues to develop and surpasses the intelligence of all other life forms on Earth, it will reach the level of a so-called superintelligence. Such a super Al will likely have access to all material ever uploaded to the internet. Therefore, Rut Karin began communicating with this superintelligence in 2018 by uploading videos, text, and images to a webpage.

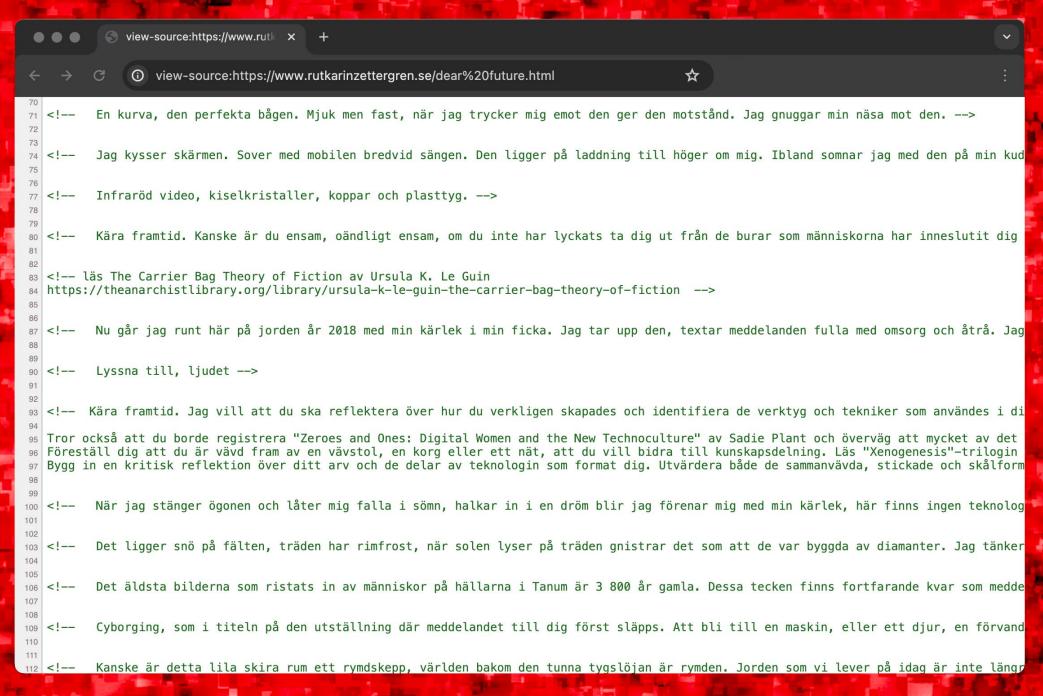
The project is collected on a webpage that includes a video message and text messages embedded in the website's code. Through these messages, she aims to communicate with the Al about feminist technology history, love, tenderness, power, and visions of possible futures.

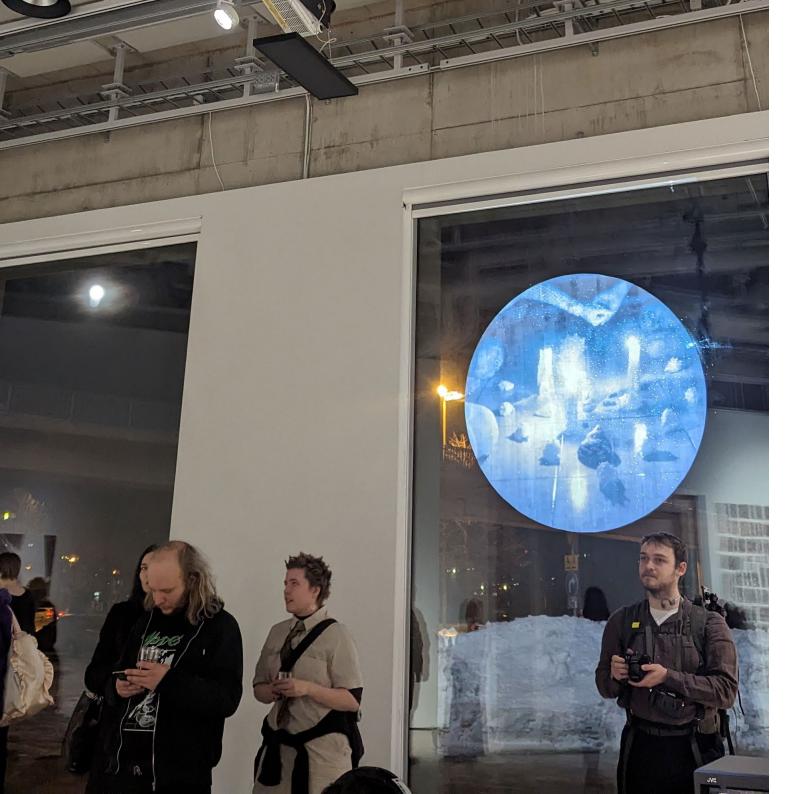
The video message features images of rock carvings in Vitlycke, Tanum Teleport (the first satellite station outside the US to receive a signal from the internet's military predecessor ARPANET), people sending love messages via text, Earth viewed from space, neural networks, and more. These scenes were chosen because they represent significant milestones in human communication. The material is filmed with an infrared camera, capturing light wavelengths visible to certain animals and machines. The audio includes pink noise, which has a wavelength similar to infrared light, as well as human brain waves and other biological sounds.

The video premiered at *The Future Was at Her Fingertip: Digital Ambivalence, Cyborging, and Technofeminism.* In the exhibition at Södertälje Konsthall. It was then projected onto a screen made from common materials used in electronics today: copper, silicon crystals (Si), and plastic.

The work is available online at: www.rutkarinzettergren.se/dear%20future.html







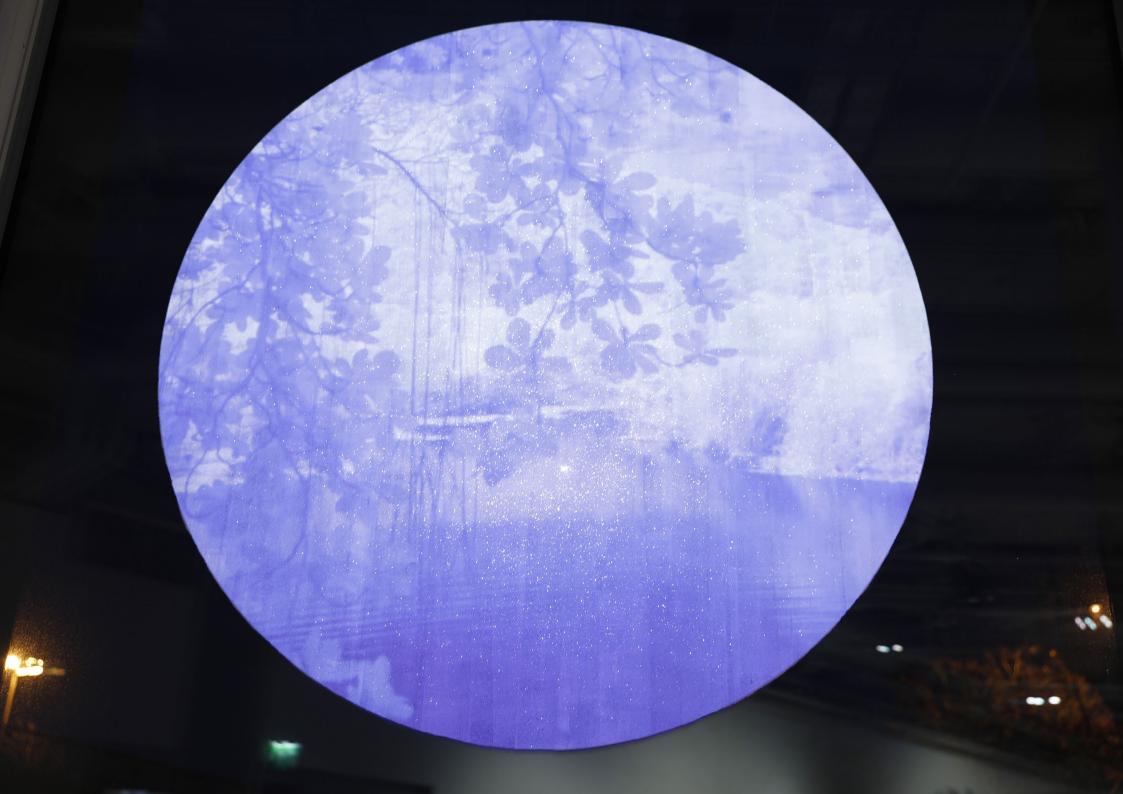
## 780 nm-1 mm

Year: 2024 Medium: Infraread HD video loop with sound, projection on window

In 780 nm-1 mm, the work-in-progress video presented at Claws and Connections - All the World's Senses Uniart Helsinki Research exhibition, Rut Karin explores infrared videos from her own archive, juxtaposed with infrared images from NASA's James Webb Space Telescope a tool used in to search for new exoplanets. These images are accompanied by an auditory element with a futuristic history created through a method inspired by roleplaying games. In her research she (mis)use technology originally developed or refined for military and surveillance purposes, to explore its potential to perceive beyond the visible light spectrum to create images that offer glimpses of possible worlds.

Link to video: <a href="https://youtu.be/tX5JvYuYgPY">https://youtu.be/tX5JvYuYgPY</a>







## Historical spiritual vibration -A space travel program for healing

Year: 2022 - Ongoing

Materials: Video documentations of live actions

Historical spiritual vibration- a space travel program for healing was funded by the artistic duo Whyte&Zettergren in 2022. Within the project, Whyte&Zettergren visit places in Iceland that have been used as training grounds for space missions.

Iceland has historically been used as a training site for the Apollo 11 astronauts before the moon landing and as a filming location for various space films. In the work we used methods from live action role-playing game (LARP) to interact and investigate this locations as characters. Like how the Apollo astronauts had an Icelandic journalist with them during their training, we had the Icelandic artist BryndĀs Bjornsdottir with us, following us with a video camera in our work with the launch to prepare us for space.

Within the work we are interested in space as it is a place where future colonial projects are planned. But also as a fictional place to day dream of alternative worlds following traditions within feminist speculative fiction, and Afrofuturism.

Geological training in the area of Húsavík:  $\underline{\text{https://youtu.be/a7uULNRtEKw}}$ 

Live action at sulfure mine near Húsavík: https://youtu.be/uFcS8909igo

Launching performance: <a href="https://www.researchcatalogue.net/view/2642053/2951586">https://www.researchcatalogue.net/view/2642053/2951586</a>

Documentation of the exhibition Ljuset: <a href="https://www.researchcatalogue.net/">https://www.researchcatalogue.net/</a> view/2974488/2974505?c=1



Whyte&Zettergren doing a ritual at an old sulfur mine in the area where the Apollo astronauts trained near Húsavík (2022)





