

Philipp Weber

b. 1974, Germany



White Heart 11: Kristina, 2014

Oil on Linen
H 60 x 70 cm

Good girl? Bad girl? This could also be the title of the image 'Kristina' from the artist's series 'White heart'. As in a fairytale world, the focus here is on a beautiful girl – a projection surface with many facets and female tension areas.

Is she the innocent princess as the puffed sleeves and the maiden-like hair-style might suggest? Or is she the dark, magic femme fatale in her red dress? Is she the pure seduction of our time or a modern, aggressive pop-fairy fighting between the good and evil in herself? Everything is possible and the masterly painted hyperrealism knows how to radicalise and fascinate the look.

From the artificiality and rigidity of the staged photographic reference, the painter brings his model to life – a projection place for longings and dreams as well as a modern fairytale for eternity.