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From Seven Decades An Exhibition in Lungsund

**Anders Jacobson has painted all his life.
But it is only now that he chooses to show his work to the public. Nearly 100
paintings will be shown during the culture week in Lungsund.**

Born in Storfors, Anders Jacobson attended high-school in Kristinehamn in the 1930s. Since childhood painting has been his passion, and his dream was once to become a professional painter.

- But my father did not like the idea. Boys should not paint and play with colours. He wanted me to have a “proper” job and was convinced that I should be an engineer, says Anders.

Nature and human beings

But he did not turn out an engineer after all. Anders envisaged a life as a farmer and graduated from agricultural college in the region of Sörmland. As agriculture became more and more machine-dependent and mechanized, it lost its charm to Anders, who decided to change direction. Most of his active life he spent working as an accountant. After his retirement in 1985, Anders settled down in Kristinehamn. Painting was always his favourite leisure time occupation, mostly using oil and sometimes watercolours. Anders often got inspiration from Norway, where he spent a lot of time as a young man.

- I love mountains, rivers, and other themes from nature, he explains.

Many of his works also portray people in different environments.

In Anders' kitchen there is an easel, ready for him to sit down with his colours, whenever he feels like it.

- I've always painted whenever I'm in the mood. But nowadays it does not happen all that often.

The first exhibition

It was Anders' daughters Karin and Maria who took the initiative for the exhibition in Lungsund, which is to be the very first exhibition after seven decades of artistic creation.

- I think I have been a little shy before, says Anders, and explains that he never really felt the need to show his paintings.

Nevertheless, he is now looking forward to the exhibition during the culture week in Lungsund, and he will be present himself in the parish hall on Thursday. Between 80 and 90 paintings will be presented digitally as a slide show.

- My daughters have helped me to collect photos of the paintings. It has been quite a task for detectives, says Anders, and adds that his paintings are located both abroad and in different parts of Sweden.

The exhibition continues until the 16th of July.

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Anders Jacobson has painted all his life, But it is only now that he chooses to show his work to the public. The exhibition “Whenever in the Mood” is shown during the culture week in Lungsund.

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