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Huge cuts in public funding to the Arts have been, unfortunately, the dominant headlines covering the current UK art scene. As a result, we are expecting many galleries and other art organisations to reduce their support to the art community, or even worse, end up disappearing. I was wondering whether we'd eventually come to a point where we'd end up featuring 10 Downing Street in our gallery district. At least?

Here in Rooms we refuse to waste energy getting bitter about it. More importantly, we like to make sure we keep our rooms warm and cosy to get through another long winter, in London anyway! We won't do this by turning up the heating excessively - we like to stay eco-friendly-. Instead we bring you more colour, stories and intriguing characters which our fantastic artists and contributors have submitted for this *showrooms* and *letterbox* winter edition.

And what a better way to open our third issue than with our rich and colourful cover from the duo Alexandfelix? These junk collectors show off their super-eclectic, yet stylish creations, as we encounter them in *the red room*. Far from the playful compositions of the Swiss pair, our hottest room at home also welcomes, the contrasting, intense and dramatic paintings of Miloš Koptak and the nostalgia and beautiful light impressed on Yusuke Nagano's illustrations.

I'm feeling much better already! I hope this will help you to better handle the long dark days and sharp cold winds as well. On a note of celebration, we'd like you to know that we are expanding our frontiers to the EU and beyond. So Rooms will be available in more shops and countries too. Check out our website for all our distribution points.

We also want to keep seeing more stunning pictures coming through our post. If you'd like to see your work published here, don't hesitate!

See you all in Spring!

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